

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

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Docket No: 7392-01

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This is in reference to your application for correction of your late husband's naval record pursuant to the provisions of title 10 of the United States Code, section 1552.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 1 May 2002. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of your application, together with all material submitted in support thereof, your husband's naval record and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record, the Board found that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

The Board considered your contention to the effect that your husband was not accorded review by a physical evaluation board prior to his discharge. It noted, however, that he was evaluated PEB and found unfit for duty. He was discharged with entitlement to disability severance pay, rather than retired, because he had not completed twenty or more years of active service, and his disability was rated below 30% disabling or higher, he was discharged with entitlement to disability severance pay, rather than retired. Upon review of the action of the PEB in his case, the Board was not persuaded that the rating he received was erroneous or unjust. Accordingly, the Board denied your application. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new and material evidence or other matter not previously considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official

records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

W. DEAN PFEIFFER Executive Director