



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
2 NAVY ANNEX
WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

CRS
Docket No: 7506-01
7 February 2002

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Dear [REDACTED]

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of Title 10, 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 6 February 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 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 found that you enlisted in the Naval Reserve on 28 July 1992 and reported to active duty. A psychiatric evaluation, conducted on 5 February 1993, found that you had a personality disorder and noted that you were parasuicidal. The evaluation also stated that you had attempted or feigned suicide by cutting your wrist.

While your record does not contain the separation processing documents, it appears that the commanding officer recommended that you be separated with a general discharge by reason of a personality disorder and, after review by the discharge authority, the recommendation for separation was approved. The record clearly shows that you were discharged on 22 March 1993 with a general discharge by reason of a diagnosed personality disorder. At that time you were assigned a reenlistment code of RE-4.

The Board noted that an RE-4 reenlistment code is authorized by regulatory guidance and is often assigned to an individual

separated due to a diagnosed personality disorder, especially if a servicemember is deemed to be a threat to himself or others. The Board thus concluded that there is no error or injustice in your reenlistment code. Accordingly, your application has been denied. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

The Board did not consider whether your characterization of service should be changed, since you did not ask for such consideration and you have not exhausted your administrative remedy by applying to the Naval Discharge Review Board (NDRB). You may apply to NDRB by submitting the attached DD Form 293.

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

Enclosure