



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

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Docket No: 3470-07  
9 May 2008

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This is in reference to your application for correction of your 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 30 April 2008. 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.

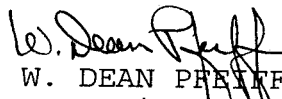
The Board found that you enlisted in the Navy on 14 February 1956. On 19 April 1956 an Aptitude Board found you to be poorly motivated, unable to adjust, and emotionally inadequate. On 25 April 1956 you received a general discharge by reason of unsuitability.

It its review of your application the Board carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth and good post service, as well as your contention to the effect that you should have been medically discharged because you passed out during underwater training. The Board concluded that the mitigating factors were insufficient to warrant recharacterization of your service. It could not find any evidence in the available records which even suggests that you were unfit for service by reason of physical disability, rather than unsuitable for service. Accordingly, your application has been denied. 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 PREIFFER  
Executive Director