

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

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Docket No: 3633-07
11 February 2008



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 7 February 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 the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

You enlisted in the Navy on 13 February 1990 at age 19 and served without disciplinary incident until 24 October 1990, when you were convicted by summary court-martial (SCM) of two periods of unauthorized absence (UA) totalling 81 days, missing the movement of your ship, and larceny of tennis shoes. You were sentenced to confinement for 30 days and a \$350 forfeiture of pay.

On 23 April 1991 you were convicted by SCM of a 34 day period of UA and sentenced to confinement for 30 days and a \$501 forfeiture of pay. About a month later, on 22 May 1991, you were notified of pending administrative separation action by reason of misconduct due to commission of a serious offense. At that time you waived your right to consult with legal counsel and to present your case to an administrative discharge board. On 31 May 1991 your commanding officer recommended a discharge under other than honorable conditions by reason of misconduct due to

commission of a serious offense. On 20 June 1991 the discharge authority approved this recommendation and directed separation under other than honorable conditions, and on 3 July 1991 you were so discharged.

The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth, post service conduct, and desire to enlist in the Army National Guard. Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant recharacterization of your discharge because of the seriousness of your repetitive misconduct which resulted in two court-martial convictions and included lengthy periods of UA. 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,

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