



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

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Docket No: 06220-07  
29 April 2008



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

You enlisted in the Navy on 24 April 1989 at age 18. Based on the information currently contained in your record it appears you served without incident until your commanding officer (CO) referred you to the Drug and Alcohol Program for screening due to alcohol abuse. Consequently, on 25 October 1991, you were notified of being a alcohol rehabilitation failure having unsatisfactorily completing your treatment and aftercare.

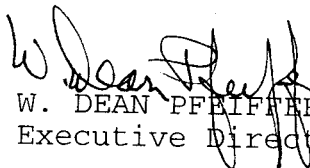
On 6 November 1991, administrative discharge action was initiated to separate you by reason of convenience of the government due to alcohol abuse rehabilitation failure. You waived your rights to consult counsel and to submit a statement. Further, you did not object to the separation and the discharge authority directed an honorable discharge by reason of alcohol abuse rehabilitation failure. On 12 November 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 and overall record of service. Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant a

change in your reenlistment code because of your failure to adhere to your command's rehabilitation program. In this regard, an RE-4 reenlistment code is required when an individual is discharged for alcohol abuse rehabilitation failure. 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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Executive Director