



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

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Docket No: 09710-07  
21 November 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 19 November 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.

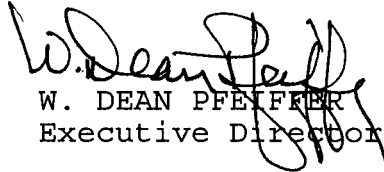
You enlisted in the Navy and began a period of active duty on 14 May 2007 at age 31. On 11 September 2007, a mental health evaluation was conducted and diagnosed you with alcohol dependence.

Based on the mental evaluation, you were processed for separation by reason of erroneous enlistment due to the diagnosed alcohol dependence. On 19 September 2007, you elected to consult with qualified counsel, to submit a statement for consideration by the separation authority, and to receive copies of documents to be forwarded to the separation authority, but waived all other procedural rights. On 25 September 2007 you were discharged with an entry level separation by reason of erroneous enlistment and assigned a reenlistment code of RE-4.

Applicable regulations authorize the assignment of an RE-4 reenlistment code to individuals who are separated due to erroneous enlistment. Due to your diagnosed alcohol dependency, the Board 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.

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