



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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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 2 December 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 22 May 2000, and served without disciplinary incident. However, on 14 November 2000, while stationed aboard the USS UNDERWOOD, you were admitted to the Naval Hospital in Jacksonville, Florida for a psychiatric evaluation for suicidal ideation. Upon review of your medical record and your personal statement regarding alleged threats of suicide, you were diagnosed with a personality disorder with avoidant and schizotypal features. The psychiatrist strongly recommended an administrative separation for unsuitability. In addition, the psychiatrist stated that although not imminently suicidal or homicidal, you were a continuing risk to harm yourself or others due to low impulse control. Therefore, on 28 November 2000, you were separated due to a personality disorder, received a general discharge and an RE-4 reenlistment code.

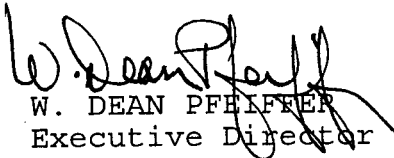
The Board, in its review of your entire record and application,

carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your personal statement and your father's statement. Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant recharacterization of your discharge. 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