

## **DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

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**WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100** 

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Docket No: 02874-08

8 January 2009



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 11 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 16 January 1988, and served without disciplinary incident until 20 June 1991, when you were found guilty at a nonjudicial punishment (NJP) for failure to obey a lawful order (two specifications), and a general order violation.

Shortly thereafter, on 23 July 1991, you were convicted at a special court-martial for insubordinate conduct toward a noncommissioned officer (two specifications) and for assault.

In October 1991, you were notified of processing for administrative separation due to a pattern of misconduct. You were advised of your rights and elected not to consult with counsel. You were recommended for discharge under other than honorable (OTH) conditions. The separation authority approved these recommendations and directed an OTH discharge with an RE-4 reenlistment code, and on 18 October 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 the passage of time. Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant recharacterization of your discharge because of the seriousness of your misconduct. 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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