

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

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Docket No: 08991-08

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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 22 July 2009. 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 21 July 2003, and served without disciplinary incident until 3 November 2006, when you received nonjudicial punishment (NJP) for driving while intoxicated and an unauthorized absence (UA).

Shortly thereafter, on 12 April 2007, you received another NJP for UA, failure to obey a lawful order, and a general orders violation. Therefore, on 20 July 2007, you were separated at the end of your obligated service with an honorable 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 youth. Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant changing your reenlistment code because

of the seriousness of your misconduct. Furthermore, the Board believed that considerable leniency was extended to you to allow you to be separated at the end of your obligated service with an honorable discharge instead of a lesser discharge due to a pattern of 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,

W. DEAN PERIFFER Executive Director