

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: 00714-09

7 December 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 3 December 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 24 April 1990, at the age of 20. On 13 July 1996, you received a nonjudicial punishment (NJP) for two occasions of fraternization. On 3 December 2003, you received an additional NJP for being drunk or recklessly operating a motor vehicle. You were discharged on 13 July 2004 with an honorable characterization at the expiration of your contract and received a reenlistment code of RE-4 based on you misconduct and commanding officer's non-recommendation for retention on your last performance evaluation.

The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth and immaturity. However, the Board found that these factors were not sufficient to warrant any change in your RE-4 reenlistment code, given your record of two NJP's for misconduct. The Board also noted that you were fortunate to receive an honorable discharge since a discharge under other than honorable conditions is often directed when an individual is found to have

committed 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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