



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 April 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 Marine Corps on 21 July 1996, and served without disciplinary incident until 5 March 1999, when you received a nonjudicial punishment (NJP) for being drunk on duty.

Shortly thereafter, on 24 March 2000, you were counseled for driving while intoxicated and with a restricted license. Then on 7 June 2000, you received another NJP for an unauthorized absence. Upon the end of your obligated service, you were not recommended for reenlistment due to your misconduct. Therefore, on 20 July 2000, you were separated 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 and the passage of time. However, the Board concluded

these factors were not sufficient to warrant a change to 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,



W. DEAN PFEIFFER
Executive Director