



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 05693-09
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This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of title 10 of the 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 16 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 that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.


The Board found that you served on active duty in the Marine Corps from 26 March to 16 August 1990, when you were discharged by reason of physical disability with an uncharacterized entry level separation.

The Board noted that in cases where discharge processing is initiated while a service member is in an entry level status, i.e., prior to the completion of 180 days of service, he will receive an uncharacterized entry level separation, unless an honorable discharge is clearly warranted by presence of unusual circumstances involving personal conduct and performance, and is approved on a case-by-case basis by the Secretary of the Navy.

As you were discharged prior to your completion of 180 days of service, and there were no unusual circumstances present in your case that warranted consideration by the Secretary, you were not entitled to a characterized separation. 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