

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100 REG

Docket No: 09898-09

24 June 2010



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 23 June 2010. 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 19 October 1981, at age 27. On 2 March 1982, you received nonjudicial punishment (NJP) for being drunk and disorderly. On 9 July 1982, you were counseled for being disrespectful to a superior petty officer. On 18 November 1982, an investigation was initiated for assault, breach of the peace and use of marijuana. On 22 January 1983, you were counseled concerning your lack of control over your temper and further illegal drug use that would not be tolerated. On 15 February 1983, you were involved in a second incident concerning domestic disturbance on base. On 4 March 1983, you were notified that administrative discharge procedures were initiated and that you would receive a reenlistment code of RE-4 for your pattern of misconduct upon your separation. The discharge authority directed a general discharge with a reenlistment code of RE-4 by reason of misconduct. You were so discharged on 14 March 1983.

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 or character of service, given your record of one NJP and other misconduct. The Board also noted that you were fortunate to receive a general discharge since a discharge under other than honorable conditions is often directed when an individual is separated for 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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