



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

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Docket No. 11157-09
16 July 2010

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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.

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A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 9 July 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 that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.


You appeared before a medical board on 16 October 1968 and were given a diagnosis of bilateral flatfoot, symptomatic, existed prior to enlistment, not aggravated by service; accordingly, the medical board recommended that you be discharged without entitlement to disability benefits administered by the Department of the Navy. The medical board report indicates that you admitted that your condition had been symptomatic prior to your enlistment, and that you had controlled your symptoms with limited weight bearing. On 16 October 1968, after being advised of the findings and recommendation of the medical board, you waived your right to a hearing before a physical evaluation board, acknowledged that you would be discharged in the near future without further hearing or disability severance or retirement pay, and requested that you be administratively

discharged as soon as possible. You were discharged in accordance with your request on 25 October 1968.

In the absence of evidence which demonstrates that you were unfit for duty by reason of physical disability that was incurred in or aggravated by your naval service, the Board was unable to recommend any corrective action in your case. 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