

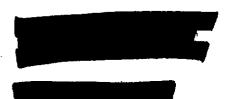
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: 4631-10 24 January 2011



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 20 January 2011. 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 and began a period of active duty on 3 March 1977 at age 21. On 26 March 1977, you received nonjudicial punishment (NJP) for insubordinate conduct toward a superior noncommissioned officer. On 10 May 1977, you received NJP for insubordinate conduct in language toward a superior noncommissioned officer. On 13 May 1977, you were the subject of an attitude review board (ARB), where it was stated in part that you were a confused, immature, irresponsible, and uncooperative recruit. You constantly displayed a thoroughly incompetent and uncooperative attitude toward both authority and recruit training. The ARB recommended that you should be immediately separated from the Marine Corps. The separation authority approved and directed that you be discharged with a general characterization. On 17 May 1977 you were so discharged.

The Board, in its review of your application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth and overall record of service. Nevertheless, the Board found that these factors were not sufficient to warrant recharacterization of your discharge given the seriousness of your 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,

W. DEAN PFEIF

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