



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

TAL  
Docket No: 11969-10  
10 August 2011

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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 3 August 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 Navy and began a period of active duty on 10 May 1988 at age 18. You tested positive for marijuana in your accession urinalysis and were placed on a urinalysis surveillance program. You were counseled regarding your misconduct and warned that further offenses could result in administrative separation. On 7 September 1988, you tested positive for lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD). On 17 October 1988, administrative discharge action was initiated to separate you by reason of misconduct. Your commanding officer directed your separation. Subsequently, on 8 November 1988 you were discharged with an uncharacterized entry level separation by reason of misconduct (drug abuse).

The Board in its review of your application carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth and overall record of service. You are advised that a discharge is characterized only if you serve 180 days or more of active duty. 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