

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

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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 26 February 2013. 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 entered active duty in the Navy on 17 February 1993, and served without disciplinary incident until 30 December 1994, when you received nonjudicial punishment for larceny and forgery. You were recommended for separation with an other than honorable discharge due to misconduct (commission of a serious offense (COSO)). You waived your right to counsel and an administrative discharge board (ADB). The separation authority approved the recommendation, and on 16 February 1995, you were separated with an OTH discharge due to misconduct (COSO), a separation code of HKQ (misconduct), and an RE-4 (not recommended for retention) reentry code.

The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as you were not allowed sufficient time to consult with your counsel.

Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant a change to your characterization of service or your separation code due to your COSO. Furthermore, the Board found you waived your right to an ADB, your best opportunity for retention, or a better characterization of service. Finally, your claim that you were not allowed sufficient time to consult with your counsel was unsubstantiated. 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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