

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS 701 S. COURTHOUSE ROAD, SUITE 1001 ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

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Docket No: 4670-12

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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 8 May 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 that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

The Board found that you reenlisted in the Navy on 3 November 1992 after more than four years of prior honorable service. On 29 April 1994 you received nonjudicial punishment for wrongful use of marijuana. On 16 June 1994 an administrative discharge board recommended your separation from the Navy for misconduct. On 23 September 1994 you were discharged by reason of misconduct due to drug abuse with a discharge under other than honorable conditions.

In its review of your application the Board carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your prior record of service and the contention that your life has changed for the better over the years. The Board concluded that these factors were insufficient to warrant an upgrade of your discharge, given your wrongful use of marijuana. 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 PFEIFRER Executive Director