

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

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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 15 July 2014. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request. 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 25 June 1998. The Board noted that the record reflects that a Physical Evaluation Board (PEB) diagnosed you with having "Crohn's disease (chronic)". It was determined that your condition did not meet Navy standards and precluded you from taking overseas and sea duty billets, which impacted your chances to advance further in your career. Subsequently, you received an honorable discharge on 13 December 2007 due to a condition, not a disability. At that time, you were assigned an RE-4 (not recommended for retention) reentry code.

The Board noted that applicable regulations require the assignment of an RE-4 reentry code to individuals who are separated due to a medical condition that precludes them from further service. The Board thus concluded that there is no error or injustice in your reentry code. 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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