

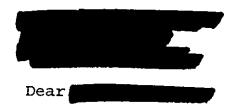
## DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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

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Docket No: 4092-14

2 April 2015



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 March 2015. 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.

In regard to your request for a personal appearance, be advised that Board regulations state personal appearances before the Board are not granted as a right, but only when the Board determines that such an appearance will serve some useful purpose. In your case, the Board determined that a personal appearance was not necessary and considered your case based on the evidence of the record.

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 30 December 2002. You served without disciplinary incident until 28 January 2004, when you received nonjudicial punishment (NJP) for two specifications of failure to obey

orders. On 19 August 2004, you received NJP for failure to obey orders, resisting arrest, and disorderly conduct. On 14 May 2005, you received a third NJP for failure to obey orders and destruction of government property. As a result, you were recommended for an administrative separation by reason of misconduct. On 19 August 2005, you were discharged with an other than honorable characterization of service and assigned an RE-4 reentry code.

The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your desire to upgrade your character of service and reenlistment code. Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant relief in your case, given your misconduct and you were not recommended for reenlistment. Finally, Marines discharged by reason of misconduct would normally be assigned an RE-4 reenlistment code, which is a bar to reenlistment. Accordingly, your application has been denied.

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 within one year from the date of the Board's decision. 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.

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Sincerely,

ROBERT J. O'NEILL Executive Director