

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: 823-14
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Dear

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 3 February 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.

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, began a period of active duty on 3 January 2007, and served without disciplinary infraction.

Your record reflects that on 5 April 2007, you were referred for a psychiatric evaluation due to your intense reactivity mood, depression, anxiety, reaction to normal stressors of advanced military training, and thoughts of suicide. You were diagnosed with an adjustment disorder with a mixed and depressed mood and a borderline personality disorder, both of which existed prior to your enlistment. The record also reflects that you were deemed a risk for retention because of your deteriorating mood and functioning and that an operational setting would place you and others at significant risk. As a result, you were recommended for an immediate administrative separation.

Subsequently, after waiving your procedural rights, your commanding officer recommended separation under honorable conditions by reason of erroneous entry due to a defective enlistment. On 23 April 2007, the discharge authority approved

the foregoing recommendation and directed separation under honorable conditions by reason of erroneous entry with the assignment of an RE-4 reenlistment code, and on 26 April 2007, you were so discharged.

The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your desire to upgrade your discharge and change your narrative reason for separation and reenlistment code. It also considered your assertion that you were separated due to your failure to comply with the Navy Family Care Plan (NFCP). Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant relief in your case because of the diagnosed adjustment and borderline personality disorders which resulted in your nonrecommendation for retention and reenlistment. Further, you were given an opportunity to defend your actions, but waived your procedural rights. Finally, the Board concluded that your assertion of being separated because you did not comply with NFCP is without merit since you were processed for separation due solely to your erroneous entry. 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.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director