



**DRB DIGEST/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY  
DRB DOCKET 2012-065**

<b>NAME</b>	E5
<b>CURRENT DD-214</b>	General, COMDTINST M1000.6, ART 12.B.18, JKK, Misconduct, RE4
<b>RELIEF REQUESTED</b>	Honorable
<b>RELIEF GRANTED BY DRB</b>	None
<b>ADMIN CORRECTIONS</b>	Amend Character of Service to: Under Honorable Conditions

<b>TIS</b>	6 yrs, 6 months, 7 days
<b>Policy Implications</b>	None

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The applicant was discharged for Misconduct due to involvement with drugs. The applicant tested positive for THC on a urinalysis conducted in the Summer of 2006.

The Board finds no issues with propriety in this case. The Board finds no issues of equity in this case. Coast Guard policy prescribes no higher than a General, Under Honorable Conditions character of service for individuals separated as a result of violating the Coast Guard's drug policy. The applicant has not provided any evidence to support an upgrade based upon the equity standard.

The applicant contends that the Discharge should have been processed through the physical disability evaluation system (PDES) vice separated for misconduct. However, policy requires that the misconduct separation stop any proceedings under the PDES system. Furthermore, it is beyond the scope of this Board to address issues of medical disability.

Based off current policy, The General, Under Honorable Conditions discharge is equitable and the most favorable character of service authorized for personnel separated as a result of involvement with drugs. The character of service should read "Under Honorable Conditions" vice "General." Therefore, the applicant should be issued a new DD-214 reflecting this administrative change.

**Propriety:** Discharge was proper.

**Equity:** Discharge was equitable.

**Final Adjudication by Assistant Commandant For Human Resources:** No relief other than the administrative change to Under Honorable Conditions for the applicant's Character of Service.