

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS 2 NAVY ANNEX WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

JLP:ecb Docket No: 2011-01 17 July 2001



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 17 July 2001. 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 addition, the Board considered the advisory opinion furnished by NPC memorandum 1780 PERS-604 dated 31 may 2001, a copy of which is attached.

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. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion. 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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MEMORANDUM FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

Via: Assistant for BCNR Matters (PERS-00ZCB)

Subj: REQUEST FOR COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ICO

Ref: (a) CNPC memo 5420 PERS-00ZCB of 1 May 01 (b) Title 38, United States Code, Chapter 32

1. The following is provided in response to reference (a):

a. Recommend the Board deny Handleter request to add Navy College Fund (NCF) Program guarantee as an enlistment option to his master record. NCF Program is a guarantee offered only at the time of enlistment to certain recruits who meet the basic eligibility criteria outlined in reference (b). Fiscal and/or quota constraints prevent NCF Program from being offered to every recruit, since NCF Program, unlike Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB) Program, is funded solely by Navy. Because of this, NCF Program is given only at the discretion of the classifier, not the field recruiter.

b. Enlistment Document (DD Form 4) is the only official document used to identify enlistment guarantees. A review of HN Sartor's annex to his DD Form 4 indicates he was guaranteed "Hospital Corpsman (Five Year Obligation) Program," but not NCF Program. Freviewed and initialed the annex to his DD Form 4 on 16 December 1996 acknowledging he understood no other guarantees would be made to him other than those listed on this form. Since the documents clearly do not guarantee HN Sartor NCF Program and contain written evidence he was aware of this, he is not entitled to receive NCF Program benefits.

2. If the elected to enroll in MGIB Program on 31 January 1997. The present educational assistance benefit for in-service use is limited to the actual cost of tuition and fees. When With receives an Honorable discharge, he will be entitled to receive 36 months of MGIB Program benefits. The current educational benefit is \$650 per month for full time enrollment. The monthly entitlement is adjusted yearly based on the Consumer Price Index. Subj: REQUEST FOR COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ICO

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2. PERS-604's point of contact is Mr. Example who can be reached at (C) 901-874-4246 or DSN 882-4246.

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