



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: 6902-02
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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 4 September 2003. 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 that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

The Board found that you enlisted in the Navy on 1 June 1995. You then served without incident until 16 January 1996, when you were hospitalized with a preliminary diagnosis of an adjustment disorder. Subsequently, you were evaluated and diagnosed with a personality disorder. Further, the report of evaluation noted flashbacks, nightmares, and a prior suicide attempt, and found that you suffered from "a significant distortion of reality" and would pose a continuing danger to yourself and others if retained in the Navy. On 5 April 1996 you received an honorable discharge by reason of the diagnosed personality disorder. At that time, you were assigned a reenlistment code of RE-3G.

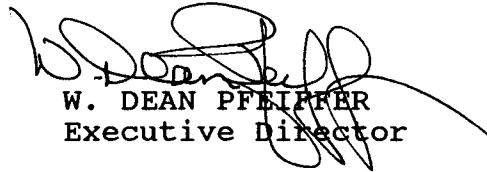
In its review of your application, the Board carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as the statement you submitted from a counselor. However, the Board concluded that these factors were sufficient to warrant a change in the reason for discharge.

The Board noted that an RE-3G reenlistment code is the most

favorable reenlistment code authorized by regulatory guidance for individuals discharged due to diagnosed personality disorders. The Board thus concluded that there is no error or injustice in your reenlistment 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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Executive Director