



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: 2731-03
12 September 2003

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records
To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: FORMER [REDACTED]
REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD

Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. 1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149
(2) Subject's naval record

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Subject, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner, filed enclosure (1) with this Board requesting, in effect, that her naval record be corrected to show that she was assigned a more favorable reentry code.

2. The Board, consisting of Ms. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and Mr. [REDACTED] reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 5 September 2003 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken on the available evidence of record. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of the enclosures, naval records, and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

3. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice finds as follows:

a. Before applying to this Board, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy.

b. Enclosure (1) was filed in a timely manner.

c. Petitioner enlisted in the Navy on 2 September 1998, and served until 6 November 1998, when she was discharged by reason of her failure to meet medical/physical procurement standards because of retinitis and a cataract. She was assigned a reentry code of RE-4. According to her private physician, the cataract is minimal and not visually significant.

CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concludes that as there is no indication in the available records that Petitioner committed any acts of misconduct during her enlistment, it would be in the interest of justice to remove the stigma often associated with an RE-4 reentry code, and assign her a code of RE-3E.


RECOMMENDATION:

a. That Petitioner's naval record be corrected to show that she was assigned a reentry code of RE-3E on 6 November 1998, in place of the RE-4 code she actually received on that date.

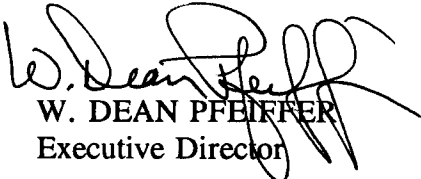
b. That a copy of this Report of Proceedings be filed in Petitioner's naval record.

4. Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the revised Procedures of the Board for Correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 723.6(c)) it is certified that a quorum was present at the Board's review and deliberations, and that the foregoing is a true and complete record of the Board's proceedings in the above entitled matter.

ROBERT D. ZSALMAN
Recorder


JAMES R. EXNICIOS
Acting Recorder

5. Pursuant to the delegation of authority set out in Section 6(e) of the revised Procedures of the Board for correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 723.6(e)) and having assured compliance with its provisions, it is hereby announced that the foregoing corrective action, taken under the authority of reference (a), has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.


W. DEAN PFEIFFER
Executive Director