



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

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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 12 August 2008. 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.

You enlisted in the Marine Corps on 30 November 1978 at age 19. During the period from 28 August 1979 to 15 January 1980 you received nonjudicial punishment on four occasions. Your offenses were disobedience and four short periods of unauthorized absence. Additionally, your record reflects a period of lost time of about 23 days for which there is no explanation in the record. On 22 December 1981, you received a general discharge at the completion of your required active service.

Character of service is based, in part, on conduct and proficiency averages, which are computed from marks assigned during periodic evaluations. In your case, the page on which the marks are recorded is incomplete. However, it is clear that you would have been assigned a mark below 4.0 after each of your disciplinary actions. The record does show that on the date of your discharge, you were assigned a 3.0 mark in conduct. A minimum average mark of 4.0 in conduct was required at the time of your separation for a fully honorable characterization of service. The Board believed that your average mark in conduct was below 4.0.

In its review of your application the Board carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth, your desire