



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

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Docket No: 710-08  
23 December 2008

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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 16 December 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.

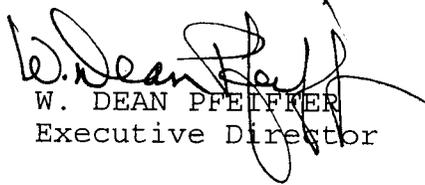
You enlisted in the Navy on 2 July 2003 at age 18. Because of the difficulties adjusting to the rigors of recruit training, you were referred for a mental health evaluation. At that time, you were diagnosed with a learning and adjustment disorder. Due to these diagnoses an entry level separation was recommended. After review, the separation authority directed an entry level separation and the assignment of an RE-4 reenlistment code and you were so separated on 18 August 2003. At that time, you had completed about 47 days of active service.

Regulations allow for the assignment of an RE-4 reenlistment code when an individual is separated prior to the completion of recruit training and you have been treated no differently than many others. Although the documentation you submitted shows that you have matured and improved your educational level, it certainly does not suggest that you were improperly separated in 2003 or that you could now withstand the stresses of recruit training. The Board concluded that a change in the RE-4 reenlistment code is not warranted.

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,

  
W. DEAN PFEIFFER  
Executive Director