



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

TJR  
Docket No: 2041-08  
13 January 2009



This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of Title 10, 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 13 January 2009. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request. 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 the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

You enlisted in the Navy on 29 March 2006 at age 18. About a year, on 7 March 2007, you received nonjudicial punishment (NJP) for a 29 day period of unauthorized absence (UA). Shortly thereafter, on 23 and 27 March 2007, you were referred for psychiatric evaluations because you had manifested a disorder of character, behavior, and adaptability that was of such severity as to preclude your military service. You were diagnosed with an adjustment disorder and a personality disorder with narcissistic and borderline features manifested by suicidal thoughts and emotional instability. You were also recommended for an expeditious administrative separation. At that time, you were not recommended for retention. As a result, on 10 April 2007, you were notified of pending administrative separation action by reason of convenience of the government due to the diagnosed personality disorder. Subsequently, the discharge authority directed discharge under honorable conditions, and on 7 May 2007

you were issued a general discharge by reason of convenience of the government due to personality disorder and assigned an RE-4 reenlistment code.

The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth and desire to change your reenlistment code so that you may reenlist. Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant a change of your reenlistment code because of the severity of your diagnosed personality disorder and the nonrecommendation for reenlistment and/or retention. Accordingly, your application has been denied.

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