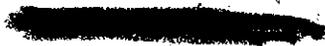




DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

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Docket No: 9285-08
16 July 2009



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 15 July 2009. 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 and medical records, 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 entered active duty in the Marine Corps on 1 June 1973. You were in an unauthorized absence status on one occasion, but no disciplinary action was taken. During recruit training, you were found to be belligerent and disrespectful toward all authority. You had no desire to be a Marine. An aptitude board met and found that your general qualifications did not warrant retention in the service. You were administratively processed for a defective attitude. On 3 July 1973, you received a general discharge and were assigned an RE-4 reenlistment code.

The Board, in its review of your entire record, carefully weighed all potential mitigation, such as your youth and current drug and alcohol abuse problems. Nevertheless, the Board concluded that these factors were not sufficient to warrant changing your general discharge because of your negative attitude and lack of motivation to be a Marine. In view of the above, 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