



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 18 August 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 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 and began a period of active duty on 22 September 1986 at age 22. On 3 October 1986, you were counseled after your first failure of a recruit training test. You were assigned mandatory night study, assigned to another company, and warned that further poor performance and conduct, could result in administrative discharge action. Unfortunately, a recruit evaluation report covering the period from 3-13 October 1986, stated, in part, that you were an academic test failure, were homesick, and the illness of your mother only added to your problems. You were given training on test taking and given another chance to take the exam. On 21 October 1986, after your third failure, you were recommended for separation.

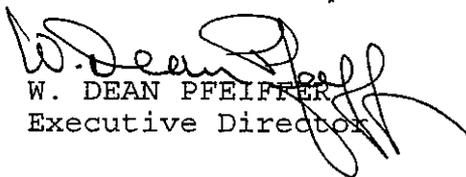
On 23 October 1986, administrative separation action was initiated due to entry level performance and conduct as evidenced by your repeated academic failures. Your commanding officer stated, in part, that you did not have the ability or

determination to satisfactorily complete the required course of instruction prior to transfer to the fleet. Accordingly, on 6 November 1986, you received an uncharacterized entry level discharge and assigned an RE-4 reenlistment code.

Applicable regulations authorize the assignment of an RE-4 reenlistment code to individuals who are separated due to entry level performance. This code is usually assigned when an individual is discharged prior to completion of recruit training. The Board thus concluded that there is no error or injustice in your reenlistment code. 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,


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Executive Director