



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

BAN
Docket No: 10589-08
31 August 2009

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Dear [REDACTED]

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 27 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 on 14 August 2003, and served without disciplinary incident. However, in September 2005, you were self-referred to a mental health professional due to your desire for a discharge and associated psychological issues. During your evaluation, you indicated that you did not want to be in the Navy. Additionally, when directly questioned about suicide, homicide, or desire to enter an unauthorized absence status, you denied all these tendencies. However, your desire to be discharged may have increased your potential for self-injury or misconduct. Further, you were diagnosed with a narcissistic personality disorder and recommended for separation. Therefore, on 1 November 2005, you were separated with an honorable discharge and an RE-4 reenlistment code due to your diagnosed personality disorder.

The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth and psychological report dated 28 January 2008. Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant changing your reenlistment code because of your diagnosed personality disorder. 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