



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

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Docket No: 11001-08
5 October 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 29 September 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 24 August 2004 at age 18. On 24 March 2005, you were diagnosed with an adjustment disorder with anxiety and depressed mood, and a personality disorder.

On 3 May 2005, you were notified of pending administrative separation action due to your diagnosed personality disorder. On 17 May 2005, your commanding officer directed that you be honorably discharged. You were so discharged on 2 June 2005. At that time, you were assigned an RE-4 reenlistment code.

The Board, in its review of your application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth, overall record of service, post service accomplishments, and character letters accompanying your application. Nevertheless, the Board found that these factors were not sufficient to warrant a change in your reenlistment code given the diagnosis of a personality disorder and fact that you were a high risk for self-harm. An RE-4 reenlistment code is routinely assigned under such circumstances. 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