



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

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Docket No: 12365-08  
30 October 2009

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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 21 October 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 reenlisted in the Navy on 6 June 1983 after four years of honorable service. On 22 November 1983, you received a civilian conviction for a customs violation for possession of undeclared liquor. On 31 December 1984, you received a civilian conviction for driving with a suspended license. On 4 February 1985, you received nonjudicial punishment (NJP) for two instances of unauthorized absence (UA), disrespect toward an officer, disobeying an officer and drunk on duty. On 22 March 1985, you received NJP for missing muster, drunk driving and communicating a threat.

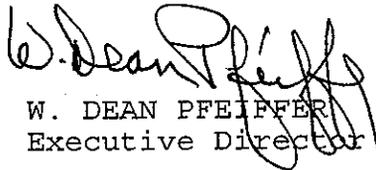
On 23 March 1985, administrative discharge action was initiated by reason of misconduct due to commission of a serious offense. You waived your rights to consult counsel, submit a statement or have your case heard by an administrative discharge board (ADB). On 23 March 1985, your commanding officer forwarded his recommendation that you be discharged under other than honorable (OTH) conditions. On 26 March 1985, the discharge authority directed an OTH discharge by reason of misconduct due to commission of a serious offense. On 10 April 1985 you were so

discharged.

The Board, in its review of your application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth, prior honorable service, and overall last record of service. Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant recharacterization of your discharge given your two civil convictions and the seriousness of your misconduct resulting in two NJP's. Finally, the Board noted that you waived the right to an ADB, your best chance for retention or a better characterization of service. 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