



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

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Docket No. 02951-08

19 August 2008

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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.

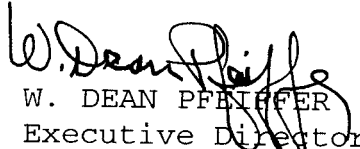
A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 14 August 2008. After careful consideration of your application, the Board concluded that your application was not timely filed, and that it would not be in the interest of justice to excuse your failure to submit your application in a timely manner.

The Board did not accept your contention to the effect that you discovered the alleged error or injustice in your record in 2008, when you obtained a copy of your Navy health record. The Board found that on 24 September 1968, you attached a copy of a report of psychiatric evaluation to your request for conscientious objector status. That report clearly states that you had been diagnosed with a schizoid personality disorder. Your service record also contains a copy of a letter dated 1 April 1970, in which you advised Senator Alan Cranston, in part, that you had been "recommended by Dr. Mc Dermott for immediate discharge for psychiatric reasons as being completely unsuitable for the Marine Corps", and that Dr. McDermott felt that you should have been discharged for psychiatric reasons in 1967. In addition, the decision of the Naval Discharge Review Board, which was sent to you on 12 June 1978, contains entries concerning the diagnosis of schizoid personality, and the recommendation of a psychiatrist, dated 25 July 1969, that you be discharged by reason of unsuitability.

You may request reconsideration of this decision. Your request must include newly discovered relevant evidence which was not reasonably available to you when you submitted your application. The evidence may pertain to the timeliness of your application or to its merits. Absent such additional evidence, further review of your application is not possible.

It is regretted that a more favorable reply cannot be made.

Sincerely,

  
W. DEAN PFEIFFER  
Executive Director