



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

TAL
Docket No: 3446-09
28 January 2010



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 13 January 2010. 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 12 August 1991 at age 18. On 19 March 1993, you were the subject of a psychiatric evaluation that diagnosed you with a personality disorder that existed prior to entry into the service. During the evaluation it was stated, in part, that you had always been depressed, but became increasingly moody and depressed to the point that you almost jumped off a three story balcony, but were stopped by your roommate. You stated in part, that you had suicidal ideation since junior high school. On 27 March 1993, administrative discharge action was initiated to separate you by reason of your diagnosed personality disorder. Your commanding officer directed that you be separated with a general characterization by reason of a personality disorder. You were so discharged on 30 March 1993. 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 and overall record of service. 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. Finally, 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