



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

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Docket No. 04112-09  
19 February 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 19 February 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 that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

You enlisted in the Navy on 4 November 1976. You were absent without authority on two occasions for a total of thirty-eight days, and received nonjudicial punishment on two occasions. You were discharged under other than honorable conditions on 26 May 1977 pursuant to your request for discharge for the good of the service in lieu of trial by court-martial for multiple offenses, to include striking and threatening to kill a gunnery sergeant.

Although you were diagnosed as suffering from a borderline personality disorder, there is no indication in the available records that you were unfit for duty by reason of physical

disability. A personality disorder, although often administratively unfitting, is not considered to be a disability under the laws administered by the military departments. You would not have been entitled to disability separation or retirement even if you had been disabled, because your discharge for the good of the service would have taken precedence over disability evaluation procession.

In view of the foregoing, 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