



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

CRS
Docket No: 4124-09
3 June 2009

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Dear [REDACTED]:

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 3 June 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 that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

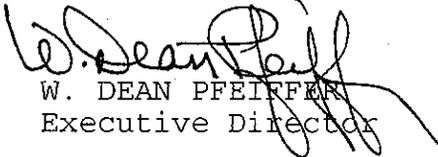
The Board found that you enlisted in the Marine Corps on 5 January 1973. You received six nonjudicial punishments and were convicted by a summary court-martial and a special court-martial for offenses that included unauthorized absences, disrespect, failure to obey a lawful order, failure to go to appointed place of duty, stealing, disobedience of a lawful order, assault, and breach of the peace.

On 14 September 1976 your commanding officer recommended that you be separated from the Marine Corps with an undesirable discharge by reason of misconduct due to frequent involvement with military authorities. The recommendation was approved by the separation authority, and you were separated with an undesirable discharge on 29 November 1976.

In its review of your application, the Board carefully considered your contention to the effect that you were a victim of racial discrimination and unfair treatment, which contributed to your acts of indiscipline, but considered it insufficient to warrant the approval of your request for corrective action. 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