



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

REC
Docket No: 10775-09
9 July 2010

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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, 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 8 July 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. In this regard, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion.

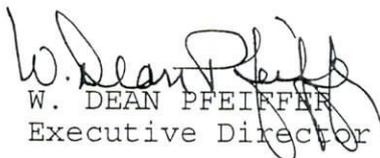
You reenlisted in the Navy on 10 August 1996, at age 20. On 27 March 1997, you received nonjudicial punishment (NJP) for drink alcohol under age. On 16 July 2002, you were convicted by the Clay County Court, in Green Cove Springs, Florida for domestic batter and sentenced a fine of \$201, and 6 months probation. On 3 October 2002, you received NJP for two incidents of wrongfully using provoking words toward a patient and a senior petty officer, using indecent language and communicating a threat on two occasions. On 19 November 2002, you were notified that administrative discharge procedures were initiated and that you would receive a reenlistment code of RE-4 for your pattern of misconduct upon your separation. On 3 December 2002, the discharge authority directed a general discharge by reason of misconduct. You were so discharged on 13 December 2002.

The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth and immaturity. However, the Board found that these factors were not sufficient to warrant any change in your RE-4

reenlistment code or character of service, given your record of one two NJP's for misconduct. The Board also noted that you were fortunate to receive a general discharge since a discharge under other than honorable conditions is often directed when an individual is found to have committed misconduct. 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