



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

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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 19 October 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 reenlisted in the Navy on 27 February 2006 after eight years of honorable service. You served for over 12 years and were advanced to paygrade E-5. The Board found that on 2 December 2007, you were counseled about your failure to pay your debts, and warned that further deficiencies in your performance or conduct could result in administrative discharge action. At that time you were indebted to the Navy Exchange for approximately \$6,636, your wages were being garnished for \$980, and you had two car loans in the amounts of \$23,170 and \$33,502, respectively, one of which you were behind in payments. Based on the information currently contained in your record, on 9 October 2009, Commander, Navy Personnel Command, directed that you were not eligible to reenlist or extend your enlistment due to your security clearance being revoked. Subsequently, you were honorably discharged at the expiration of your enlistment with a narrative reason of "Non-retention on Active Duty". 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 prior honorable service, last period of service and the reasons you were not permitted to reenlist. Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant a change in the reenlistment code. In this regard, an RE-4 reenlistment code is required when an individual is separated at the expiration of his term of active obligated service and is not recommended for retention. Additionally, under the circumstances of your case, the code is required when the narrative reason for separation is "Non-retention on Active Duty." 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