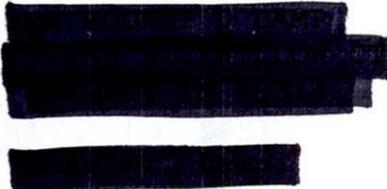




DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

BAN
Docket No. 08071-10
18 April 2011



This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of 10 USC 1552.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 18 April 2011. 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. The Board considered the advisory opinions furnished by Headquarters Marine Corps (HQMC) memo 1650 MMMA-3 of 13 Dec 10 and 1070 MMSB-13 of 28 Mar 11, copies of which are attached. Your request to change your record to show you were separated from the Marine Corps as an E-4/Cpl vice E-3/Lcpl has been administratively corrected by HQMC. Our office has provided you a copy of your DD Form 215 for your records. Therefore, there is no action required by this Board regarding your promotion status.

However, 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 to your request for a combat action ribbon. Furthermore, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion. 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 also 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

Enclosures