



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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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 18 October 2011. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request. 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 11 April 1989 at age 21 and immediately began a period of active duty. You served without disciplinary incident until 15 June 1989, when you received nonjudicial punishment (NJP) for attempting to falsify official documents by pretending to be another recruit. Shortly thereafter, you were in an unauthorized absence (UA) status from 28 July to 5 August 1989.

On 11 August 1989 you were referred for a mental health evaluation due to your suicidal ideation as evidenced by your statement that you would kill yourself if sent to correctional custody. You were diagnosed with a personality disorder with passive aggressive and narcissistic features. The psychiatric report stated, in part, that the severity of your suicidal

threats and diagnosed personality disorder required psychiatric admission for further evaluation. Nonetheless, you were recommended for an expeditious administrative separation. You were also advised that you were not recommended for retention and were ineligible for reenlistment due to the diagnosed psychological condition.

On 15 August 1989 you were notified of pending separation action by reason of convenience of the government due to the diagnosed personality disorder. At that time you did not object to the separation and waived your procedural rights. Subsequently, the discharge authority directed your commanding officer to issue an uncharacterized entry level separation and to assign an RE-3G reenlistment code, and on 31 August 1989, you were so separated.

The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth, desire to change your narrative reason for separation, and the neuropsychological evaluation report of July 1991. Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant a change of your narrative reason for separation. The Board concluded that the narrative reason for separation was administratively and procedurally correct. Accordingly, your application has been denied.

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