



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: 556-12
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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 16 October 2012. 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 reenlisted in the Navy Reserve on 27 June 2006 after more than 10 years of prior honorable service. After accruing 20 unexcused absences from drill, your command initiated administrative separation processing due to unsatisfactory participation. You waived your procedural right to an administrative discharge board (ADB). During February 2008, you were discharged from the Navy Reserve with a general characterization of service and assigned an RE-4 (not recommended for reenlistment) reentry code.

In its review of your application, the Board carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth and current desire to change your reentry code. However, the Board concluded that your reentry code should not be changed due to your numerous unexcused absences. You are advised that no reentry code is automatically changed due merely to the passage of time or post service good conduct. The Board noted that you waived your right to an ADB, your best opportunity for retention or a better characterization of service. In view of the above, 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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Acting Executive Director