



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: 4572-12
28 May 2013

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records
To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: [REDACTED]
REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD

Ref: (a) Title 10 U.S.C. 1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149
(2) Subject's naval record

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Petitioner, a former enlisted member of the Navy filed enclosure (1) with this Board requesting that the characterization of his general discharge issued on 9 August 1990 be upgraded.

2. The Board, consisting of Messrs. Bey, Dixit, and Hotopp, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 8 May 2013 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken on the available evidence of record. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of the enclosures, naval records, and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

3. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice, finds as follows:

a. Before applying to this Board, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy.

b. Petitioner enlisted in the Navy on 22 September 1986. His record reflects that he served without disciplinary incident.

c. On 2 August 1990, after undergoing a psychiatric evaluation, Petitioner was diagnosed as having a personality disorder and suicidal ideation.

d. Subsequently, the commanding officer recommended a general discharge by reason of a personality disorder. On 9 August 1990 Petitioner was so discharged. At the time of his separation his conduct average and overall trait average were 3.85 and 3.81, which exceeded the average marks required for a fully honorable characterization of service.

CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concludes that Petitioner's request warrants favorable action.

The Board notes that Petitioner served without disciplinary incident. The Board's finding is based on his final trait averages which exceeded the requirements for a fully honorable characterization of service.

Based on the foregoing the Board concludes that no useful purpose is served by continuing to characterize Petitioner's service as having been under honorable conditions, and recharacterization to a fully honorable discharge is appropriate. Accordingly, the Board concludes that relief in the form of recharacterization of his discharge is appropriate. In view of the foregoing, the Board finds the existence of an error warranting the following corrective action.

RECOMMENDATION:

a. That Petitioner's naval record be corrected to reflect that he was honorably discharged on 9 August 1990 vice being separated with a general discharge on the same day.

4. Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the revised Procedures of the Board for Correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 723.6(c)) it is certified that a quorum was present at the Board's review and deliberations, and that the foregoing is a true and complete record of the Board's proceedings in the above entitled matter.

ROBERT D. ZSALMAN
Recorder


BRIAN J. GEORGE
Acting Recorder

5. Pursuant to the delegation of authority set out in Section 6(e) of the revised Procedures of the Board for Correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 723.6(e)) and having assured compliance with its provisions, it is hereby announced that the foregoing corrective action, taken under the authority of reference (a), has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.


W. DEAN PFEIFFER
Executive Director