



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No. 1148-13

13 December 2013

Dear [REDACTED]

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 5 December 2013. 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.

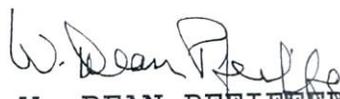
You enlisted in the Navy on 27 February 1998. Although you disclosed the history of counseling you had undergone in 1992, you did not report the counseling you had undergone at age 12 related to physical abuse by your father. You were discharged on 8 May 2000 for the convenience of the government due to a personality disorder.

The fact that you have been diagnosed with posttraumatic stress disorder related to an unspecified, but reportedly combat-related, stressor does not demonstrate that you were unfit for service by reason of physical disability in 2000 due to the effects of such a condition. Absent evidence of unfitness, there is no basis for correcting your record to show that you were separated or retired by reason of physical disability. In addition, the evidence you submitted in support of your application does not demonstrate that the diagnosis which resulted in your discharge is erroneous.

In view of the foregoing, your application has been denied. The names and votes of the panel members 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. The Board will not reconsider your request unless you submit complete records of the counseling you underwent in 1989/90, 1992 and 2000-2013

Sincerely,


W. DEAN PFEIFFER
Executive Director