



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: 7582-13
13 August 2014



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 12 August 2014. 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 and began a period of active duty on 9 April 1969. You received nonjudicial punishment for wrongful appropriation. You were seen by a military psychiatrist and diagnosed with a schizophrenic reaction hebephrenic type that made you unsuitable for further service. You were then placed on the temporary disability retired list with a type warranted by service record characterization of service. On 23 March 1970, you received a general characterization of service

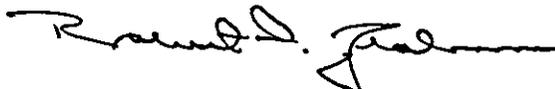
discharge, and were assigned a waivable RE-3P (condition, not a disability) reenlistment code.

Characterization of service is based, in part, on trait marks assigned on a periodic basis. Your overall trait mark average was 2.8. A 3.0 overall trait mark average was required for a fully honorable discharge.

In its review of your application, the Board carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth and current desire to upgrade your discharge. However, the Board concluded that your application should be denied due to your misconduct and insufficiently high overall trait mark average. You are advised that no discharge is automatically upgraded due merely to the passage of time or post service good conduct. 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