



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: 08963-13
3 October 2014

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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 1 October 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 the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

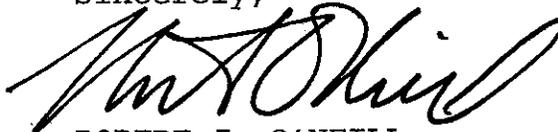
You enlisted in the Navy on 15 November 1983. During your in-processing you signed and acknowledged the Navy drug and alcohol policy. On 25 August 1985, you were arrested by the San Diego, California police for driving under the influence of alcohol. On 3 October 1986, you were arrested by the San Diego, California police for driving under the influence of alcohol. On 22 January 1987, you received nonjudicial punishment (NJP) for failure to obey a lawful order and being absent from your appointed place of duty. You were advised that your commanding officer was recommending you for administrative separation with a discharge under other than honorable conditions (UO THC) due to misconduct. You waived all of your procedural rights, including your right to an administrative discharge board (ADB). However, your misconduct continued and on 16 April 1987, you received NJP for being absent from your appointed place of duty and derelict

in the performance of your duties. Your commanding officer forwarded his recommendation that you be discharged with a UOTHC characterization of service by reason of misconduct (commission of a serious offense). The discharge authority agreed with the recommendation and directed a discharge UOTHC. On 14 July 1987, you were discharged UOTHC and assigned an RE-4 (ineligible for reenlistment) reenlistment code.

The Board, in its review of your application, considered all potentially mitigating factors presented in your case. Nevertheless, the Board found those factors insufficient to warrant changing the characterization of your discharge, given your record of serious misconduct. In addition, the Board noted that you waived the right to an ADB, your best opportunity for retention or a better characterization of service. Accordingly, 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 within one year from the date of the Board's decision. New evidence is evidence not previously considered by the Board prior to making its decision in your case. 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,



ROBERT J. O'NEILL
Executive Director