



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

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Docket No: 968-13  
17 October 2013



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.

The Board did not consider your request to upgrade your discharge and change your narrative reason for separation because you have not exhausted your administrative remedy of applying to the Naval Discharge Review Board (NDRB). I have enclosed NDRB's application form for your convenience.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 16 October 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 Reserve and entered active duty on 13 August 2004. On 2 June 2008, you were honorably released from active duty and transferred to a drilling reserve unit. After

missing 12 drills, you were processed for administrative separation due to unsatisfactory participation. You waived your procedural right to an administrative discharge board (ADB). On 16 February 2011, you were discharged with a general characterization of service due to unsatisfactory participation, 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 many years of honorable service and current desire to change your reentry code. However, the Board concluded that you were correctly assigned the RE-4 reentry code in light of your unsatisfactory participation and non-recommendation for reenlistment. The Board found that you waived your right to an ADB, your best opportunity for retention or a better characterization of service. You are advised that the mere passage of time or post service good conduct do not require the upgrade of a reentry code. 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,

  
W. DEAN PFEIFFER  
Executive Director

Enclosure