



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

EGA
Docket No: 4429-14
15 April 2015

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Dear [REDACTED]

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of Title 10, 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 26 March 2015. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request. 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 and began a period of active duty on 25 September 2006. You served without disciplinary incident until 17 April 2008, when you received nonjudicial punishment (NJP) for unauthorized absence, failure to obey an order, and being drunk on duty. Shortly thereafter, you were placed in a limited duty status due to a knee injury. As a result, you were recommended for an administrative separation by reason of failed medical/physical procurement. On 14 October 2008, you were discharged with a general characterization of service and assigned an RE-4 reentry code. On 15 March 2013, the Naval Discharge Review Board (NDRB) changed your narrative reason for separation to "Secretarial Authority" based on evidence showing

you were worldwide assignable without limitations 16 days prior to separation. The NDRB denied your request to upgrade the characterization of your discharge due to the seriousness of your misconduct.

The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your desire to upgrade your reenlistment code. Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant relief in your case, given the seriousness of your misconduct and you were not recommended for reenlistment. Finally, violations of Article 92 and 112 are considered serious offenses and Sailors found guilty of these charges would normally be assigned an RE-4 reenlistment code, which is a bar to reenlistment. Accordingly, your application has been denied.

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 within one year from the date of the Board's decision. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert J. O'Neill', written in a cursive style.

ROBERT J. O'NEILL
Executive Director