



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

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Docket No: 02916-16

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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 of the United States Code, section 1552.

Although your application was not filed in a timely manner, the Board found it in the interest of justice to waive the statute of limitations and consider your application on its merits. A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records considered your application on 24 January 2017. 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 served a period of active duty in the Navy from 25 June 1991, to 1 November 1991, and received an honorable discharge upon completion of the period of service. You then returned to a drilling reserve status with Naval Reserve Center, [REDACTED]. On 10 February 1993, you were notified by mail of a recommendation for administrative separation due to unsatisfactory participation in the selected reserve, with an other than honorable characterization of service. On 24 March 1993, your Commanding Officer, Naval Reserve Center, [REDACTED] forwarded his recommendation for your separation with an other than honorable characterization of service. His recommendation notes that you had been onboard for 16 months, and had an extensive record of unsatisfactory participation in your drill participation with an accumulation of your sixth unsatisfactory drill in November 1992. You were discharged on 13 April 1993, with the other than honorable characterization of service due to unsatisfactory participation. ✓

The Board considered your statement that you were initially given an honorable discharge and were then mailed a letter informing you that you were given a "dishonorable" and you need to return to the honorable characterization of service. When making its determination, the Board

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noted the notification by mail of your other than honorable characterization recommendation, and your unresponsiveness to your reserve command.

The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your assertion that you were originally given an honorable characterization of service. Nonetheless, the Board determined that you were properly notified by mail of the other than honorable recommendation. The Board concluded that your record of unsatisfactory participation was sufficient to merit the other than honorable characterization of service. Accordingly, your application has been denied.

N It is regrettable 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,



Executive Director