



**DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS  
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Docket No: 6873-16

DEC 20 2017

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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.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 16 October 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, relevant portions of your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

You enlisted in the Marine Corps and began a period of active duty on 22 September 2014. On 10 December 2015, you were notified of administrative separation proceedings against you on the basis of numerous attempts to meet minimum standards of the Marine Corps Physical Fitness Test (PFT). Your notification states that you failed the official PFT by not achieving a passing score of the run on five separate attempts between 30 June 2015 and 16 November 2015. Your chain of command recommended that you be separated with a general discharge and a reentry (RE) code of RE-4. On 17 February 2016, you were discharged from the Marine Corps on the basis of unsatisfactory performance. You received a general characterization of service and an RE-4.

After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record, the Board found the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material or injustice. The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors such as your desire to reenlist and serve your country. The Board determined that despite your desire to continue to serve and your contention that you now have the mindset of being "self-reliable," that you were given sufficient opportunity to remedy your PFT run score. The Board concluded that your chain of command's recommendation of an RE-4 code was proper based on the multiple PFT failures. Accordingly, your application has been denied.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken at this time. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon the submission of new and material evidence. New evidence is evidence 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,



Executive Director