



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

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Docket No: 7635-16

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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, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 13 September 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.

Regarding your request for a personal appearance, the Board determined that a personal appearance with or without counsel will not materially add to their understanding of the issue(s) involved. Therefore, the Board determined that a personal appearance was not necessary and considered your case based on the evidence of record.


You enlisted in the Navy and began a period of active duty on 4 June 1991. You served for a year and four months without disciplinary incident, but during the period from 13 November 1992 to 20 April 1993, you received nonjudicial punishment (NJP) on two occasions. Your offenses were unauthorized absence (UA) from your unit for two days, assault, underage drinking, drunk and disorderly conduct, writing check with insufficient funds (totaling an amount of \$537). Subsequently, you were notified of pending administrative separation by reason of misconduct due to commission of a serious offense at which time you waived your procedural rights to consult with legal counsel and to present your case to an administrative discharge board (ADB). Your commanding officer recommended discharge under other than

honorable (OTH) conditions by reason of misconduct due to commission of a serious offense. The discharge authority approved this recommendation and directed separation under other than honorable conditions by reason of misconduct, and on 14 July 1993, you were discharged.

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. The Board carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors and that you have taken steps to fix the reason for your indiscretions. The Board noted that you waived your right to an ADB which was your best opportunity for retention or a better characterization of service. The Board found that these factors were not sufficient to warrant relief in your case because of the seriousness of your misconduct that resulted in two NJPs. 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