



request. On 5 July 1988, the discharge authority approved and ordered the execution of your BCD. On 27 July 1988, you were discharged.

The Board carefully considered all potentially mitigating factors to determine whether the interests of justice warrant relief in your case in accordance with the Wilkie Memo. These included, but were not limited to, your contentions that you have positively changed your life since your discharge due, in part, to your decision to become a Christian. You also contend that you served with honor and regret the consequences of your mistake. Based upon this review, the Board concluded these potentially mitigating factors were insufficient to warrant relief. Specifically, the Board determined that the seriousness of your misconduct, as evidenced by your NJP, and SPCM outweighed these mitigating factors. In making this finding, the Board noted you did not submit any documentation or advocacy letters to be considered. Additionally, the Board considered that you may be eligible for Department of Veterans Affairs benefits based on your two Honorable enlistment discharges. Accordingly, given the totality of the circumstances, the Board determined that your request does not merit relief.

You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon the submission of new matters, which will require you to complete and submit a new DD Form 149. New matters are those not previously presented to or 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,

3/2/2022

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Executive Director

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