



your characterization of service in order to continue serving your country and your contentions that you have made corrections to your life and now have the passion and skills necessary to serve at this point in your life. However, after a detailed review of your record and contentions, the Board concluded the potentially mitigating factors you submitted were insufficient to warrant relief. Specifically, the Board determined that your misconduct, evidenced by your NJP for wrongful use of a controlled substance, outweighed the mitigating factors you submitted for consideration. In making this determination, the Board considered the seriousness of your misconduct and concluded that it showed a complete disregard for military authority and regulations. As a result, the Board determined your conduct constituted a significant departure from that expected of a sailor and continues to warrant an OTH characterization of service. The Board noted that you did not submit any post-discharge advocacy letters for consideration. Accordingly, 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 is attached 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,

4/26/2022

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Executive Director

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