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| **AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD DECISIONAL DOCUMENT** | CASE NUMBER FD-2019-00644 |
| GENERAL: The applicant was discharged on 17 Jul 15 in accordance with AFI 36-3208 with an Entry Level discharge for Discharge Failed Medical/Physical Procurement Standards. The applicant appealed for a change to his discharge narrative reason. The board was conducted on 28 Jan 20.  The applicant was offered a personal appearance before the Discharge Review Board (DRB), but declined and requested the board be completed based on a records only review. The applicant was not represented by counsel.  The attached examiner’s brief (provided to applicant only), extracted from available service records, contains pertinent data regarding the circumstances and character of the applicant’s military service.    FINDING: The DRB voted unanimously to *deny* the applicant’s request to change the discharge narrative reason to Secretarial Authority.  DISCUSSION: The DRB, under its responsibility to examine the propriety and equity of an applicant’s discharge, is authorized to change the characterization of service and the narrative reason for discharge if such changes are warranted. If applicable, the board can also change the applicant’s reenlistment eligibility code. In reviewing discharges, the board presumes regularity in the conduct of governmental affairs unless there is substantial credible evidence to rebut the presumption, to include evidence submitted by the applicant. The board completed a thorough review of the circumstances that led to the discharge and the discharge process to determine if the discharge met the pertinent standards of equity and propriety.  The applicant’s record of service did not include any disciplinary actions.  The applicant made no contentions that the discharge was inequitable or improper. The applicant believes the MEPS Center was at fault for his separation, and is requesting the change in order to return to military service.  The DRB reviewed the applicant’s entire record and found he had a history of hematochezia. The board noted the applicant was notified of the condition by a civilian physician, however, the he did not report it on his records at MEPS. The board concluded that hematochezia is a disqualifying condition, and found no evidence of impropriety or inequity to justify making any changes to the reenlistment code.  CONCLUSION: The board found insufficient evidence of an inequity or impropriety that would warrant a change to the applicant’s discharge. Therefore, the discharge received by the applicant was deemed to be appropriate and his request was not approved.  The DRB results were approved by the board president on 12 Feb 2020. If desired, the applicant can request a list of the board members and their votes by writing to:  Air Force Review Boards Agency  Attn: Discharge Review Board  3351 Celmers Lane  Joint Base Andrews, NAF Washington, MD 20762-6602  Attachment: Examiner's Brief (Applicant Only) | |