

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS**

Application for Correction of
the Coast Guard Record of:

**FINAL DECISION
BCMR Docket No. 2016-155**



SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

The applicant, who was discharged on April 2, 2016, asked the Board to correct his record to show that he received an Honorable discharge. He stated that he noticed an error when he was logged into “ebenefits” in the Department of Defense computer system. In support of his application, he submitted a copy of his DD Form 214, which shows that the applicant received an Honorable discharge, with the reason for separation being completion of required active service.

On November 17, 2016, the Judge Advocate General (JAG) of the Coast Guard submitted an advisory opinion recommending that the Board deny relief in accordance with a memorandum submitted by the Commander, Personnel Service Center (PSC). PSC stated that the applicant is requesting correction to his profile on www.ebenefits.va.gov, which is a Department of Veteran’s Affairs (VA) website. PSC stated that the applicant’s military file denotes that the applicant received an Honorable characterization of service. PSC argued that the applicant has not shown that his Coast Guard record is erroneous or unjust, and therefore recommended that the Board deny relief.

On November 22, 2016, the Chair sent the applicant a copy of the advisory opinion and invited him to respond within 30 days. No response was received.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The application is timely because the applicant applied within three years of the alleged error. The applicant complained that the VA website states that the applicant received a dishonorable discharge, when in fact he received an Honorable discharge. However, the applicant’s Coast Guard military record correctly denotes an Honorable discharge throughout. It appears that the VA website has made an error regarding the applicant’s discharge, but the Board has no jurisdiction over the VA. It is recommended that the applicant contact the VA in order to fix this error by showing his DD 214. Because the applicant has not suffered an error or injustice in his Coast Guard record, the application should be denied.

ORDER

The application of former [REDACTED], USCG, for correction of his military record is denied.

April 21, 2017

