

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2013-009

Discharge Issued

Character: Honorable

Narrative Reason: Failed Medical Physical Procurement Standards

SPD/RE Code: JFW / RE3G

Authority of Discharge: M1000.4, 1.B.12.A

Date of Separation: 2012-05-18

DRB Decision

Character: No Change

Narrative Reason: No Change

SPD/RE Code: No Change / No Change

New Authority: No Change

Discharge Review Board Discussion and Decision:

DISCUSSION:

The applicant was discharged for Failed Medical/Physical Procurement Standards after 25 days at recruit training.

The applicant was issued an Honorable discharge and an RE-3G reenlistment code. For entry-level separations under 180 days, the character of service normally deemed and issued as 'Uncharacterized'.

The Board members thoroughly reviewed the applicant's record of service. The separation package and all related documents on the applicant's back problems were available. The applicant had an existing back problem from their prior service time in one of the other Armed Forces. This was disclosed by the applicant while at

Military Entrance Processing Station. The applicant verbally expressed the existing condition to the recruit training physician within the first 2 or 3 days of training. The applicant's pain resulted in a light duty status and unable to meet the physical fitness standards expected by all recruits. The applicant has provided a single letter (post service to the present) from a private sector physician. The letter does not recommend the applicant for future military service or render the applicant's physical fitness capabilities to be fully equipped for a training regimen.

Given the applicant's failed medical/physical standards, the RE-3G appropriately documents that the enlistment was terminated early as a result of a disqualifying condition, but does not serve as a permanent bar for enlistment. Based upon the gaining Service's accession policies in effect the applicant may request a waiver of the disqualifying condition. The applicant has not substantiated any error or inequity with his assigned RE code.

The Board finds no issues with propriety or equity in this case. The Board recommends no relief.

Propriety: Discharge was proper.

Equity: Discharge was equitable.

Final Adjudication by Assistant Commandant For Human Resources: No relief.

In reviewing discharges, the Board presumes regularity in the conduct of governmental affairs unless there is substantial credible evidence (to include evidence submitted by the Applicant) to rebut the presumption.