

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2013-046

Discharge Issued

Character: Under Honorable Conditions (General)

Narrative Reason: Misconduct

SPD/RE Code: JKK / RE4

Authority of Discharge: COMDTINST M1000.4 Art 1.B.17

Date of Separation: 2012-05-03

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 Misconduct due to Involvement with drugs.

The applicant's complete Personnel Data Record and Separation Package were available for the Board to review. The applicant admitted to using spice. The applicant's command determined this to be a drug incident. Pursuant to policy, the applicant was processed for Discharge. Per ALCOAST 605/10, the use of spice was specified as illegal for all Coast Guard members.

The Board finds no issues with propriety or equity in this case. The applicant was notified of the intent to discharge, and the applicant was also advised of the rights to an attorney.

The applicant declined to make a statement and did not object to discharge.

Coast Guard policy prescribes no higher than an Under Honorable Conditions character of service for individuals separated as a result of violating the Coast Guard's drug policy. The USCG has zero tolerance for drug abuse. The Under Honorable Conditions discharge is equitable.

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.