

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2013-059

**Discharge Issued**

**Character:** General

**Narrative Reason:** Misconduct

**SPD/RE Code:** JKK / RE4

**Authority of Discharge:** PERSMAN ART.12.B.2

**Date of Separation:** 2004-10-28

**DRB Decision**

**Character:** Under Honorable Conditions (General)

**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 Personnel Data Record and electronic records were available for the Board to review. The applicant was found guilty of using and possessing Cocaine. The applicant's command determined this to be a drug incident, and the applicant received NJP. Pursuant to policy, the process for Discharge was completed due to a drug incident.

The Board finds no issues with propriety or equity in this case. Coast Guard policy prescribes no higher than issuing the Under Honorable Conditions character of service for individuals separated as a result of violating the Coast Guard's drug policy. In accordance with ALCOAST 562/08, a General discharge is no longer a valid option for the character of service upon separation. Therefore, based on the post-separation policy, the Board recommends that the character of service be amended to Under Honorable Conditions.

Propriety: Discharge was proper.

Equity: Discharge was equitable.

Final Adjudication by Assistant Commandant For Human Resources: No relief. In accordance with ALCOAST 562/08, the character of service be amended to Under Honorable Conditions based on the post-separation policy.

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.