UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2013-070

Discharge Issued Character: Honorable

Narrative Reason: Adjustment Disorder

SPD/RE Code: JFY / RE4

Authority of Discharge: COMDTINST M1000.6A ART 12.B.16

Date of Separation: 2009-10-30

DRB Decision

Character: No Change

Narrative Reason: No Change SPD/RE Code: No Change / RE3G

New Authority: No Change

Discharge Review Board Discussion and Decision:

DISCUSSION:

The applicant was discharged for Adjustment Disorder due to Unsuitability upon reporting to small USCG Station after initial training. The applicant's complete Personnel Data Record and Separation Package were available for the Board to review.

The applicant began having panic attacks and a sleep disorder immediately upon reporting to the first duty station. Just 10 days after that, the applicant was diagnosed with Adjustment Disorder with Anxiety and Depressed Mood. The applicant did not object to the Discharge or wish to make a statement. The discharge was final after 4 months and 16 days service.

The applicant is asking for an Entry Level Separation which is used for individuals who are separated while at initial accession training and normally receive an 'Uncharacterized' character of service. In this case, the applicant received an Honorable discharge despite having less than 180 days of service that normally merits an Uncharacterized Discharge. This error is in the applicant's favor. The Board is unable to consider an Entry Level Separation as the applicant successfully graduated from Recruit Training. Using ALCOAST 252/09, the Board notes that there are no acts of misconduct related to the Adjustment Disorder separation. Therefore, the Board recommends a reenlistment code of RE-3G is more appropriate for a young 19-year-old at that time who was having difficulty making the transition to military life at a Station.

An RE3 reentry code is not an affirmative recommendation for reenlistment, rather it represents that the applicant is not recommended for reenlistment due to a disqualifying factor. The RE3 code may be waived based upon the policies and needs of the gaining Service.

Propriety: Discharge was proper. Equity: Discharge was equitable.

Final Adjudication by Assistant Commandant For Human Resources: Partial relief is granted with a reentry code of RE-3G. All other items remain as issued.

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.