UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2014-014

Discharge Issued Character: Honorable

Narrative Reason: Personality disorder

SPD/RE Code: JFX / RE4

Authority of Discharge: None Stated

Date of Separation: 2000-09-05

DRB Decision

Character: No Change

Narrative Reason: Adjustment Disorder

SPD/RE Code: JFY / RE3G

New Authority: COMDTINST M1000.6 Art 12.B.16

Discharge Review Board Discussion and Decision:

DISCUSSION:

The applicant was discharged for Personality Disorder.

The applicant wants his time in service rounded-up to one year in order to get VA health and education benefits; this determination is not within the scope of the DRB. The applicant would need to address this with BCMR (Board of Correction with Military Records) if he feels that service time on his DD-214 is in error. Additionally, he asks for an 'Uncharacterized' Discharge, which is only for those who served for 180 days or less. The Board can review the Personality Disorder issued along with the RE4 reenlistment code. There is nothing within the Personal Data Record to show a medical diagnosis of a mental health disorder, or anything adverse to indicate that the command prompted a physician to evaluate the applicant's well-being.

In accordance with (post-policy) ALCOAST 252/09, the Board endorses a change to SPD code JFY, Narrative Reason of Adjustment Disorder, and a Re-entry code of RE-3G. The USCG released ALCOAST 252/09, which established that members who are not able to adapt to military life will no longer receive such a negative connotation or stigma to be associated with a permanent mental health ailment. Therefore, a new set of SPD codes was created. The FY series was to be aligned with the new narrative reason of 'Adjustment Disorder'. 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 on the following items:

Separation Authority: COMDTNST M1000.6A, Art 12.B.16

Separation Code: JFY Reentry Code: RE-3G

Narrative Reason: Adjustment Disorder

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.