

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2015-021

Discharge Issued

Character: Under Honorable Conditions (General)

Narrative Reason: Misconduct

SPD/RE Code: JKK / RE4

Authority of Discharge: COMTINST M1000.6 ART 12-B-18

Date of Separation: 2010-10-27

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 admitted to Coast Guard Investigative Service of using Lux, an herbal form of THC that is categorized as an illegal drug. This violation is documented and acknowledged by the applicant in an administrative remarks entry.

The applicant's command determined this to be a drug incident. Pursuant to policy, the applicant was recommended for separation due to a drug incident. The Board finds no issues with propriety or equity in this case.

The applicant was notified of the intent to discharge and was advised of the rights to an attorney. A statement was submitted by the applicant while objecting to the discharge.

Coast Guard policy prescribes no higher than a General, Under Honorable Conditions character of service for individuals separated as a result of violating the Coast Guard's drug policy.

Consistent with policy, the Coast Guard has zero tolerance for drug abuse. The General, 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.