UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2015-044

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: 2013-12-23

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 the Coast Guard Investigative Service of smoking marijuana. No new evidence has been provided to refute the illegal drug use.

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 advised of the right to an attorney. The applicant made a statement on their behalf 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. 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 Deputy Commandant for Mission Support: Concur with Board. 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.