

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2015-049

**Discharge Issued**

**Character:** General

**Narrative Reason:** Misconduct

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

**Authority of Discharge:** COMDTINST M1000.6A ART 12.B.18

**Date of Separation:** 2010-12-20

**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. Prior to the discharge, the applicant had a motor vehicle accident where they had left the scene and officers found synthetic marijuana inside the abandoned vehicle. The applicant's command determined this to be a drug incident. Pursuant to policy, the applicant was processed for separation due to a drug incident.

The Board finds no issues with propriety or equity in this case. No new evidence was presented to refute the illegal drug use. The applicant was notified of the intent to discharge, and the applicant was advised of the right to an attorney. The applicant declined to make a statement and made no objection to the discharge. Coast Guard policy prescribes no higher than a General Discharge, Under Honorable Conditions character of service for individuals separated as a result of violating the Coast Guard's drug policy. The General Discharge, Under Honorable Conditions character of service is equitable.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Board members thoroughly reviewed the applicant's record of service and all available documentation. The Board deemed that the applicant's character of service, reason for separation and reenlistment code are appropriate and should not be changed. The applicant has not substantiated any error or inequity.

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.