

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2016-013

**Discharge Issued**

**Character:** General

**Narrative Reason:** Misconduct

**SPD/RE Code:** HKK / RE4

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

**Date of Separation:** 2002-03-22

**DRB Decision**

**Character:** Under Honorable Conditions (General)

**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, with a General discharge due to Misconduct specifically due to Involvement with Drugs.

The Board finds no issues with propriety or equity in this case. The applicant has provided no new evidence to refute the illegal drug use.

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.

The Board notes the applicant was issued General in Block 24 of the DD-214. The Board recommends an administrative change to Under Honorable Conditions as General is not a valid character of service per ALCOAST 562/08.

Propriety: Discharge was proper.

Equity: Discharge was equitable.

Final Adjudication By Assistant Commandant for Human Resources: Concur with Board. The Applicant's Character of Service has recently been amended via admin correction to Under Honorable Conditions per ALCOAST 562/08. Aside from this change, 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.