UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2016-019

Discharge Issued Character: General

Narrative Reason: Separation for Miscellaneous/General Reasons

SPD/RE Code: JND / RE4

Authority of Discharge: COMDTINST M1000.4, ART 1-B-17

Date of Separation: 2014-12-15

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 for Miscellaneous/General Reasons after receiving a DUI.

Thereafter, the applicant was discharged for Unsuitability and received a General discharge after 8 months and 8 days of military service.

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 and objected to the discharge.

The Board reviewed and discussed all written documentation and mitigating items provided in the applicant's petition, but found no new evidence to cite any error or inequity for the discharge issued.

Separately, the Board noticed that the applicant was issued a General Discharge in Block 24 of the DD-214 for character of service. This error was due to the Direct Access upgrades that populate and generate the data into DD-214 form. Thus, the Board recommends that this is administratively corrected to Under Honorable Conditions. The General discharge is correct, but is not a valid character of service entry for Block 24.

Propriety: Discharge was proper. Equity: Discharge was equitable.

Final Adjudication by Assistant Commandant for Human Resources: Concur with the Board. Approved administrative correction via DD Form 215 to Under Honorable Conditions (for the character of service in Block 24 of the DD-214 issued for this applicant).

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.