## UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2016-020

**Discharge Issued Character:** General

Narrative Reason: Misconduct SPD/RE Code: HKK / RE4

Authority of Discharge: COMDTINST M1000.6A, 12-B-11

Date of Separation: 2005-03-26

**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, with a General discharge due to specifically due to involvement with drugs.

The applicant has presented no new evidence to refute the actions leading to the Discharge. The Board finds no issues with propriety or equity in this case. 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 noticed that the applicant was issued a General Discharge in Block 24 of the DD-214 for character of service. The Boards 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 per ALCOAST 562/08.

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

Board Conclusion: The Board voted 5-0 to recommend no relief. The character of service will be administratively corrected to: Under Honorable Conditions. Also, the correct Separation Authority is COMDTINST M1000.6A, Art 12-B-18.

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.