UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2016-025

Discharge Issued

Character: Under Honorable Conditions (General)

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

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

Date of Separation: 2005-05-11

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 due to Involvement with Drugs.

The Board finds no issues with propriety or equity in this case. No new evidence has been provided by the applicant.

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.

Additionally, the Board noticed that the applicant was issued a General Discharge in Block 24 of the DD-214 for character of service. Per ALCOAST 562/08, 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 Board. Applicant's Character of Service has recently been amended via admin correction to Under Honorable Conditions based on ALCOAST 562/08. Aside from this completed 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.