

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2016-033

Discharge Issued

Character: Honorable

Narrative Reason: Separation for Miscellaneous/General Reasons

SPD/RE Code: JND / RE4

Authority of Discharge: COMDTINST M1000.4, ART 1-B-15

Date of Separation: 2015-09-03

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 - Character of Service is Honorable and Narrative Reason for Separation is Separation for Miscellaneous/General Reasons.

Applicant states that he is requesting a SPD code change and payment of half-separation pay IAW COMDTINST M7220.29 and ALCOAST 355/15. The Applicant also states that if the Board does not award half separation pay then they request no action be taken and he will apply to the Board for Correction of Military Records.

The applicant was investigated for making false official statements to the local Sheriff's Department and to his Commanding Officer, stating that they had been robbed at gunpoint. Applicant later corrected their false statements. The Applicant drank in their hotel room then proceeded to bar hop until they blacked out. The applicant awoke the following morning in their hotel room not knowing how they got there. The applicant's wallet, credit card, wedding ring and cell phones were missing. The Applicant was eventually relieved for cause for his duties as Executive Petty Officer aboard their assigned cutter. The applicant went to Captain's Mast (UCMJ - Article 15) and received an oral reprimand.

The Board finds no issues with propriety or equity in this case. The Board notes that the Applicant was separated for Miscellaneous/General Reasons and not for Alcohol Rehabilitation Failure. The Applicant went before an Administrative Separation Board (ASB). The ASB recommended that the Discharge Authority retain the Applicant for continued service because the ASB did not believe that there was an Unsuitability or Misconduct basis for discharge. However, PSC memo 1910, ordered that the Applicant be separated for Unsuitability due to Alcohol Abuse.

Propriety: Discharge was proper.

Equity: Discharge was equitable.

Final Adjudication By Assistant Commandant for Human Resources: Concur with Board. 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.