

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2016-061

Discharge Issued

Character: General

Narrative Reason: Misconduct

SPD/RE Code: JKK / RE4

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

Date of Separation: 2005-06-17

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. The Applicant's Character of Service is General and the Narrative Reason for Separation is Misconduct.

The reason for the Applicant's separation was due to Involvement with Drugs.

The Board has no issues with the propriety standard on this case. However, the Board does note that the Applicant received a General Discharge. Per previous policy issued in ALCOAST 562/08, a General discharge is no longer considered an official Character of Service. Therefore, the board recommends a partial upgrade to an Under Honorable Conditions Character of Service.

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.

Propriety: Discharge was proper.

Equity: Discharge was equitable.

Final Adjudication by Assistant Commandant for Human Resources: Concur with the Board to recommend partial relief of the applicant's Character of Service to Under Honorable Conditions based on ALCOAST 562/08.

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.