UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2017-036

Discharge Issued Character: Honorable

Narrative Reason: Unacceptable Conduct

SPD/RE Code: JNC / RE4

Authority of Discharge: COMDTINST M1000.6A Art 1.B.16

Date of Separation: 2005-01-28

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 separated due to Unacceptable Conduct.

The applicant telephonically appeared before the Board. After a brief introduction, the Board President stated the roles and responsibilities of the Coast Guard Discharge Review Board (DRB). The applicant was sworn in by the recorder. During the discussion, the applicant stated that they has prior military service in the United States Air Force. The applicant talked about their experience with the Coast Guard (CG) recruiter, specifically their discussions pertaining to the Coast Guard's Prior Service Training Program (PSTP or Pit Stop). PSTP was a four-week program that provided basic orientation and facilitated a transition to the CG while taking advantage of the applicant's prior military experiences. The applicant stated that upon arriving to training they realized that PSTP was not the type of training they expected. The applicant took the physical fitness and swim tests. The did not pass the swim test and was advised about the remedial swimming program. The applicant stated they were given the option to continue with regular training or voluntarily separate from the CG.

The applicant's complete Personnel Data Record and Separation Documents were not available for the Board to review. The Board utilized available information contained in electronic records and documents submitted by the applicant. The applicant did not submit evidence to refute the Unacceptable Conduct separation.

The Board finds no issues with propriety and equity in this case.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Board members thoroughly reviewed the applicant's record of service and all available documentation. The Board deemed that the applicant's character of service, reason for separation and reenlistment code are appropriate and should not be changed. The applicant has not substantiated any error or inequity.

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.