UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2018-002

Discharge Issued

Character: Under Honorable Conditions (General)

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

Authority of Discharge: COMDTINST M1000.4 Art 1.B.17

Date of Separation: 2015-10-19

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 Misconduct. The applicant was discharged after receiving an alcohol incident when they were arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol. During this incident the applicant refused to take a breathalyzer exam.

The Board notes the applicant was charged with reckless driving after separation from the Coast Guard, however, based on the preponderance of the evidence, the applicant did commit a serious offense. The applicant received another alcohol incident when their abuse of alcohol was determined to be a significant factor when they were involved in a fight outside a bar.

The Board finds no issues with propriety or equity in this case. The applicant was notified of the intent to discharge, and the applicant was advised of their rights to an attorney and made a statement on their behalf. The applicant did object to the discharge.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Board members thoroughly reviewed the applicant's record of service and all available documentation. The Board deemed that the applicant's 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.