## UNITED STATES COAST GUARD DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD

Docket Number: 2019-004

**Discharge Issued** 

**Character:** Under Honorable Conditions (General)

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

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

Date of Separation: 2017-09-25

**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:**

## DISUSSION:

The applicant was discharged for Misconduct (Alcohol) after serving a total of 03 Years, 08 Months and 19 Days on Active Duty. The separation authority listed on the DD-214 is COMDTINST M1000.4, 1.B.17.b. The SPD handbook prescribes an RE Code of RE-4 for an SPD Code of JKQ. The former member is requesting relief of the Narrative Reason for Separation from something besides Misconduct in addition to an upgrade of the RE Code.

The Board thoroughly reviewed all of the documentation including the Court Martial Acquittal and Transcript that was provided by the applicant as well as any paperwork that was in the PDR. The Separation Authorization, Notice of Intent to Discharge and DD-214 were reviewed for accuracy and follow the prescribed procedures for discharges of this type. Any consequences and entitlements associated with this type of discharge were disclosed in writing and the member was afforded their review prior to processing. The former member's discharge was based on the contributing factor being a consumption of alcohol use to the point of memory loss and vomiting not from the Court Martial charges as stated by the applicant.

PROPRIETY: The Board finds no issues with propriety in this case. The applicant was properly discharged under policy in effect at the time of discharge.

EQUITY: The Board finds no issues with equity in this case. The applicant was properly discharged under policy in effect at the time of discharge.

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 based on the available evidence and should not be changed. The applicant has not substantiated any error or inequity.

Propriety: Discharge was proper. Equity: Discharge was equitable.

Board Conclusion: recommend 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.