



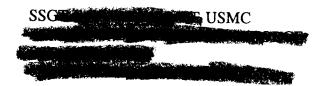
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
2 NAVY ANNEX

WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

SMC

Docket No: 04866-01 13 December 2001





This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of title 10 of the United States Code, section 1552.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 13 December 2001. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of your application, together with all material submitted in support thereof, your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations and policies. In addition, the Board considered the report of the Headquarters Marine Corps Performance Evaluation Review Board (PERB), dated 15 June 2001, a copy of which is attached.

After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record, the Board found that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the report of the PERB. Accordingly, your application has been denied. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new and material evidence or other matter not previously considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official

records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

W. DEAN PFEIFFER Executive Director

Enclosure

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

Subj: MARINE CORPS PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REVIEW BOARD (PERB)
ADVISORY OPINION ON BCNR APPLICATION IN THE CASE OF STAFF
SERGEANT

Ref:

- (a) SSgt. DD Form 149 of 7 Mar 01
- (b) MCO PI610.7D w/Ch 1-2
- 1. Per MCO 1610.11C, the Performance Evaluation Review Board, with three members present, met on 13 June 2001 to consider Staff Sergeant etition contained in reference (a). Removal of the fitness report for the period 961116 to 970221 (TD) was requested. Reference (b) is the performance evaluation directive governing submission of the report.
- 2. The petitioner contends the report was written as an "adverse" evaluation, yet he was never afforded an opportunity to review and respond.
- 3. In its proceedings, the PERB concluded that the report is both administratively correct and procedurally complete as written and filed. The following is offered as relevant:
- a. While the petitioner has not stated precisely what he believes is "adverse", the Board has carefully reviewed the entire document and finds absolutely nothing that would have required his signature in Item 24 and the opportunity to append a statement of rebuttal. Simply stated, the petitioner is incorrect.
- b. The petitioner has not furnished any documentation to support his claim that he was unjustly evaluated because of ongoing medical care for an allergic reaction. Even if it is proven that he was under a physicians care, that certainly does not corroborate his allegation that he was unfairly or unjustly evaluated.
- 4. The Board's opinion, based on deliberation and secret ballot vote, is that the contested fitness report should remain a part of Staff Sergeant efficial military record.

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5. The case is forwarded for final action.



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By direction of the Commandant
of the Marine Corps