



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
2 NAVY ANNEX
WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

TRG
Docket No: 5836-00
7 June 2001

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Dear [REDACTED]

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 5 June 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.

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.

The Board found that you enlisted in the Navy on 21 December 1988 at age 18. The record shows that you satisfactorily completed initial training and an interim duty assignment. On 12 October 1989 you reported to the USS FLINT (AE 32). Subsequently, you were referred for a psychiatric evaluation after you hyperventilated. On 13 November 1989 you were diagnosed with a personality disorder based on your history and psychiatric testing. In January 1990 you were counseled concerning the personality disorder and warned that if your performance did not improve you would be processed for an administrative discharge.

In the performance evaluation for the period ending 6 February 2000 you were assigned adverse marks of 2.8 in the categories of military bearing and personal behavior. Although the discharge processing package is not filed in the record, the adverse performance evaluation apparently resulted in the decision to process you for an administrative discharge. In addition, the Board assumed that you were properly notified of separation processing due to the diagnosed personality disorder and were given an opportunity to exercise your procedural rights. The records shows that you were honorably discharged on 6 February

1990. At that time you were not recommended for reenlistment and were assigned an RE-4 reenlistment code.

You desire a change in the reenlistment code so that you can reenter the Navy. You state that your difficulties were caused by your concern for your mother who was seriously ill, pay problems caused by an error in your pay account, and financial problems caused by the move to the West Coast to join your ship.

Regulations allow for the assignment of an RE-4 reenlistment code when an individual is discharged based on a diagnosed personality disorder. As indicated, you were diagnosed with a personality disorder and were given an opportunity to improve your performance and remain in the Navy. However, the last performance evaluation shows that your performance and conduct continued to be poor. The Board thus concluded that the last performance evaluation was sufficient to support the assignment of the RE-4 reenlistment code.

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,

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Executive Director