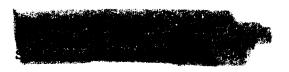


DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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

CRS Docket No: 7597-00 23 March 2001



Dear I

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of Title 10, 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 20 March 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 June 1989 at age 23. The record reflects that on 29 March 1990 you received an adverse enlisted performance evaluation. A psychiatric evaluation, conducted on 22 June 1990, found that you had a personality disorder with schizoid and narcissistic features. On 6 August 1990 a physical evaluation board diagnosed you with a personality disorder, post traumatic stress disorder, and gynecomastia. Subsequently, on 3 October 1990 you received an honorable discharge by reason of physical disability without severance pay. At that time you were assigned a reenlistment code of RE-4.

The Board noted that an RE-4 reenlistment code is authorized by regulatory guidance and is often assigned to an individual with a diagnosed psychiatric problem such as PTSD or a personality disorder, especially if the servicemember has also received an adverse evaluation. The Board thus concluded that there is no error or injustice in your 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,

W. DEAN PFEIFFER Executive Director