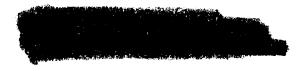


DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

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Docket No: 957-00 5 April 2001



Dear



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 3 April 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 23 May 1996 at age 19. On 24 May 1996, at the "Moment of Truth" during recruit training, you revealed that you had used marijuana, cocaine, and other drugs prior to enlistment. On 25 May 1996 you were found to be dependent on marijuana thus voiding your enlistment. On 7 June 1996 you received a void enlistment by reason of misconduct due to drug abuse, at which time you were assigned a reenlistment code of RE-4.

Applicable regulations require the assignment of an RE-4 reenlistment code when an individual is discharged due to misconduct. In this regard, the Board noted your contention that you lied about the drugs in order to get out of the Navy. However, the Board could not determine if you were lying then or lying now. Since you have been treated no differently than others in your situation, the Board could not find an error or injustice in the assignment of 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