

## DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS 2 NAVY ANNEX

WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

**JRE** 

Docket No: 4018-01

20 May 2002





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 2 May 2002. 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 served on active duty in the Navy from 3 April 1997 to 29 September 1998, when you were discharged by reason of a personality disorder. Although you had been the subject of an abbreviated limited duty medical board on 3 August 1998, and given a diagnosis of "R/O" (rule out) Psychosis", you were found fit for full duty on 17 September 1998. The diagnosis of a psychosis was ruled out by mental health professionals who observed and evaluated you at an Air Force medical center, and concluded that you suffered from a paranoid personality disorder. In addition, the Board noted you were found fit for separation on 29 September 1998. There is no indication in the available records that you were found unfit for duty, or that you were assigned a disability rating of 70%. 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