

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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

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Docket No: 5132-02 15 November 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 14 November 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 enlisted in the Naval Reserve on 1 July 1991 and immediately reported for active duty for thirty-six months at age 17. On 29 April 1992 you received a psychiatric evaluation due to depression and suicidal ideation and were diagnosed as having an adjustment disorder with depressed mood and a dependent personality disorder. It was recommended that you be expeditiously processed for administrative separation due to the risk of harm to yourself and others.

On 18 May 1992 you were notified that separation action was being initiated for the convenience of the government due to your diagnosed dependent personality disorder. You were advised of and waived all of your procedural rights except the right to obtain copies of documents supporting the basis for the proposed

separation. On 22 May 1992 the discharge authority approved an honorable discharge. Your were so discharged on 28 May 1992 and assigned an RE-4 reenlistment code.

Regulations authorize the assignment of an RE-4 or RE-3G reenlistment code to an individual separated by reason of personality disorder. Due to the severity of your personality disorder and suicidal behavior, the Board concluded that the RE-4 reenlistment code was properly assigned and no change is warranted. 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