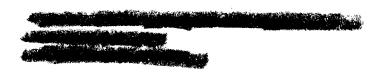




DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

JSR Docket No. 09828-07 31 January 2008



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.

You requested, in effect, that the fitness reports for 15 April to 31 December 2005 and 1 January to 9 June 2006 be modified, in accordance with the reporting senior's (RS's) undated letter, by changing the marks in sections F.1 ("Leading Subordinates"), F.2 ("Developing Subordinates") and F.4 ("Ensuring Well-being of Subordinates") from "H" (not observed) to "D" (fourth best of seven possible marks) in the case of the report for 15 April to 31 December 2005, and "E" (third best) in the case of the report for 1 January to 9 June 2006; and further modifying the report for 15 April to 31 December 2005 by changing the entry in section A, item 1.f ("DOR [date of rank]"), from "20040401" to "20000401." It is noted the report of record already reflects the requested entry "20000401."

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 31 January 2008. 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. In addition, the Board considered the report of the Headquarters Marine Corps Performance Evaluation

Review Board (PERB), dated 18 October 2007, a copy of which is attached.

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. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the report of the PERB. Accordingly, your application has been denied. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

Although the Board voted not to modify the fitness reports in question, you may submit the RS's letter to future selection boards.

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

Enclosure