



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

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Docket No: 7858-09
12 May 2010



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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 11 May 2010. 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 entered active duty in the Navy on 26 July 1988. On 14 February 1989, you were diagnosed with a personality disorder, and found to be a continuing risk to harm yourself or others. On 24 March 1989, you received a general discharge due to your personality disorder, and were assigned an RE-4 reenlistment code.

Characterization of service is based in part on trait marks assigned on a periodic basis. Your trait mark average was 2.8. A 3.0 trait mark average was required for a fully honorable discharge at the time of your separation.

In its review of your application, the Board carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth and desire to reenlist in the armed forces. However, the Board concluded that your general discharge and reenlistment code should not be changed due to your diagnosed personality disorder and insufficiently high conduct mark average. In view of the above, 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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robert D. Zsalmán".

ROBERT D. ZSALMAN
Acting Executive Director