

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

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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 10 August 2011. 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 the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

You entered active duty in the Navy on 1 November 1989, and served without incident until 11 October 1991, when you received nonjudicial punishment (NJP) for dereliction of duty. Shortly thereafter, you received the following NJP's: on 12 February 1992, for resisting arrest and larceny; and on 14 September 1992, for unauthorized absence and drunken or reckless driving. Therefore, you were recommended for separation with an other than honorable (OTH) discharge due to your serious misconduct. You waived your rights to consult with counsel and request an administrative discharge board (ADB). The separation authority approved the recommendation and on 13 October 1992, you were separated with an OTH discharge and a RE-4 reentry code.

The Board, in its review of your entire record and application,

carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth, and claim that you were given an early out vice separation due to misconduct, which is unsubstantiated. Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant a change to your characterization of discharge due to your serious misconduct. The Board noted that you waived your right to an ADB, your best opportunity for retention or a better characterization of service. 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,

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