

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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

HD:hd Docket No. 05100-11. 5 August 2011



Dear

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 4 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 and applicable statutes, regulations and policies. In addition, the Board considered the advisory opinion furnished by the Navy Personnel Command dated 24 May 2011, a copy of which is attached. The Board also considered your letter dated 21 June 2011 with attachment.

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 advisory opinion. The Board was unable to find that your request for and receipt of mental health services was the basis for the contested fitness report, noting that the report makes no express mention of medical issue. Further, the Board observed that you provided no statement from competent medical authority to the effect that your diagnosed adjustment disorder contributed to the deficiencies cited in the report at issues. Finally, the Board was unable to find you were not counseled about perceived deficiencies, noting that counseling takes many forms, so the recipient may not

recognize it as such when it is provided. 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,

W. DEAN PFEIFFER

Enclosure