



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: 02682-13
2 April 2014

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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 1 April 2014. 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 enlisted in the Marine Corps and began a period of active duty on 30 April 1963. The Board found that during the period from 18 February 1964 to 28 March 1967, you received seven nonjudicial punishments (NJP's) for seven instances of disobedience, disrespect, failing to go to your appointed place of duty, and dereliction of duty. You remained on active duty until you were released under honorable conditions on 29 April 1967 and transferred to the Marine Corps Reserve. You received a general discharge at the completion of your obligated service on 24 April 1969.

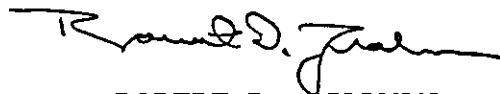
Characterization of service is based in part on conduct marks assigned on a periodic basis. Your conduct average was 3.9. At the time of your service, a conduct average of 4.0 was required for a fully honorable characterization of service.

The Board, in its review of your application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, such as your youth, record of service, and desire to upgrade your characterization of service. Nevertheless, the Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant a change in your characterization of service given your seven NJP's and failure to attain the required

average in conduct. 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,



ROBERT D. ZSALMAN
Acting Executive Director