

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS 701 S. COURTHOUSE ROAD, SUITE 1001 ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

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Dear

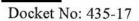
This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of title 10 of the United States Code, section 1552.

Although your application was not filed in a timely manner, the Board found it in the interest of justice to waive the statute of limitations and consider your application on its merits. A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 8 March 2017. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request. 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 Navy and began a period of active duty on 7 June 1989. During the period from 6 July 1990 to 24 January 1991, you received nonjudicial punishment (NJP) on five occasions. Your offenses included: absence from your appointed place of duty, being incapacitated for the proper performance of your duties, failure to go to your appointed place of duty, failure to obey a lawful order, and insubordinate conduct toward a noncommissioned officer.

Subsequently, you were notified of pending administrative separation by reason of misconduct due to a pattern of misconduct at which time you waived your procedural rights to consult with legal counsel and to present your case to an administrative discharge board (ABD). Your commanding officer recommended discharge under other than honorable conditions by reason of misconduct due to a pattern of misconduct. The discharge authority approved this recommendation and directed separation under other than honorable conditions by reason of misconduct. On 16 February 1991, you were discharged.



The Board, in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed your desire to upgrade your discharge and your contentions that you were young, straight out of high school, and did not realize the effects of your actions. The Board concluded these factors were not sufficient to warrant relief in your case because of the seriousness of your repeated misconduct that resulted in five NJPs. Accordingly, your application has been denied.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken at this time. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new and material evidence. New evidence is evidence 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,

Executive Director