

29. Strong But Measured Career Advice (1:58)

I've looked at both sides carefully. I'd be willing to bet my right arm - left arm whatever it is on - I just read the letter. Okay you did say you gave strong but measured advice to stay in the Coast Guard. Consider the pros and cons okay and you probably are not going to find on the outside the quality of people that you have become accustomed to in the Coast Guard.

Yes, that's right. I'm sure I said all those things. Now you were at that point - or even when they asked you to be class adviser - you were considered Mr. Coast Guard. Yes I was, so they would only expect you to encourage them to stay in the Coast Guard.

Yeah I didn't do that as much as I might have if I hadn't been their class advisor. A class advisor is supposed to give advice for their benefit, not my benefit - not the Coast Guard benefit - for their benefit.

As far as I'm concerned my duty as class advisor was to give them the best advice I could give them individually.

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