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RECORC OF PROCEEDINGS JUL 2 AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: 97-01189

COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING DESIRED: NO

Applicant requests that his records be corrected to reflect that, on 9 June 1982, he declined to participate in the Feserve Component Survivor Benefit Plan (RCSBP; program. Applicant's submission is at Exhibit A.

The appropriate Air Force office evaluated applicant's request ana provided an advisory opinion to the Board recommending the application be denied (Exhibit $\mathbb C$. The advisory opinion was forwarded to the applicant for review and response (Exhibit $\mathbb D$).

The AFBCMR requested an additional review ana comments addressing applicant's request (Exhibit E. The appropriate Air Force office re-examined applicant's application and reaffirmed their previous recommendation that the application be denied (Exhibit F. The additional evaluation was forwarded to applicant for review and comment (Exhibit G). Applicant's response to the additional evaluation is at Exhibit H.

After careful consideration of applicant's request and the available evidence of record, we find insufficient evidence of error or injustice to warrant corrective action. The facts and opinions stated in the advisory opinions appear to be based on the evidence of record and have not been adequately rebutted by applicant. Absent persuasive evidence applicant was denied rights to which entitled, appropriate regulations were not followed, or appropriate standards were not applied, we find no basis to disturb the existing record. Accordingly, applicant's request is denied.

However, Public Law (PL) 105-85 (effective 17 May 1998) provides an opportunity for retirees to terminate participation in the SBF beginning on the second anniversary of their receipt of retired pay. For further information, applicant should contact the Retiree Services Branch (AFPC/DPPTR) at 1-800-531-7502.

The Board staff is directed to inform applicant of this decision. Applicant should also be informed that this decision is final and will only be reconsidered upon the presentation of new relevant eviaence which was not reasonably available at the time the application was filed.

Members of the Board, Mr. Henry C. Saunders, Mrs. Barbara A. Westgate, and Mr. David C. Van Gasbeck considered this application on 16 July 1998, in accordance with the provisions of Air Force Instruction 36-2603 and the governing statute, $10\ M.S.C.$ 1552.

C. SAUNDERS

P nel Chair

Exhibits:

- A. Applicant's DD Form 149
- B. Available Master Personnel Records
- C. Advisory Opinion
- D. SAF/MIBR Ltr Forwarding Advisory Opinion
- E. AFBCMR Ltr dtd 20 Aug 97
- F. Additional Advisory Opinion
- G. SAF/MIBR Ltr Forwarding Additional Advisory Opinion
- H. Applicant's Response