



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON, DC

Office of the Assistant Secretary


AUG 18 1988

AFBCMR 98-00078

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF

Having received and considered the recommendation of the Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records and under the authority of Section 1552, Title 10, United States Code (70A Stat 116), it is directed that:

The pertinent military records of the Department of the Air Force relating to [REDACTED] be corrected to show that at the time of [REDACTED] discharge on 15 March 1988, he was issued a Reenlistment Eligibility (RE) code of "3K."


JOE G. LINEBERGER
Director
Air Force Review Boards Agency

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

AUG 18 1988

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: 98-00078

COUNSEL: [REDACTED]

HEARING DESIRED: NO

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT:

His Reenlistment Eligibility (RE) code be changed.

APPLICANT CONTENDS THAT:

The reasons the applicant believes the records to be in error or unjust and the evidence submitted in support of the appeal is at Exhibit A.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

The relevant facts pertaining to this application, extracted from the applicant's military records, are contained in the letter prepared by the appropriate office of the Air Force. Accordingly, there is no need to recite these facts in this Record of Proceedings.

AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

The Chief, Skills Management Branch, AFPC/DPPAE, reviewed the application and states that a review of applicant's medical records confirms his entry into alcohol rehabilitation. In a 3 March 1988 entry in applicant's medical records, mental health personnel state, "Return to group therapy next week. Applicant separated less than two weeks later. Applicant has not submitted proof that he completed follow-on support prior to separation.

A complete copy of the Air Force evaluation is attached at Exhibit C.

APPLICANT'S REVIEW OF AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

Counsel for the applicant reviewed the Air Force evaluation and provided a response indicating that prior to separation, the applicant had been enrolled in an alcohol rehabilitation program, which was apparently recommended by the applicant's Commanding Officer. They state that there is no indication that he failed to participate in the program or was declared a rehab failure. They also state that they emphasize that the applicant's records do not appear complete and the applicant should not be penalized for a lack of records. Also, since the referred to records involve a "group session" it is likely that notes would not have been taken. They further note that the applicant was discharged from the service in less than two weeks after the recommendation that he attend "group sessions." They state, given this relatively short period of remaining service, it would seem unlikely that any additional therapy programs would have been initiated or that the missing of the few remaining "group sessions" would constitute a rehab failure.

Counsel's complete response is attached at Exhibit E.

THE BOARD CONCLUDES THAT:

1. The applicant has exhausted all remedies provided by existing law or regulations.
2. The application was not timely filed; however, it is in the interest of justice to excuse the failure to timely file.
3. Sufficient relevant evidence has been presented to demonstrate the existence of probable error or injustice. After thoroughly reviewing the documentation, we are persuaded that the applicant's records do not appear to be complete. Further, as noted by the Counsel, the applicant should not be penalized for a lack of records. In view of the foregoing, —and in an effort to prevent an injustice to the applicant, we recommend his records be corrected to reflect an RE Code of "3K" (Reserved for use by HQ AFPC or the Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records (AFBCMR) when no other reenlistment eligibility code applies or is appropriate).

THE BOARD RECOMMENDS THAT:

The pertinent military records of the Department of the Air Force relating to APPLICANT, be corrected to show that at the time of his discharge on 15 March 1988, he was issued a Reenlistment Eligibility (RE) code of "3K."

The following members of the Board considered this application in Executive Session on 17 June 1998, under the provisions of AFI 36-2603:

Mr. Thomas S. Markiewicz, Panel Chair
Mr. David C. Van Gasbeck, Member
Mr. Michael P. Higgins, Member
- Ms. Phyllis L. Spence, Examiner (without vote)

All members voted to correct the records, as recommended. The following documentary evidence was considered:

- Exhibit A. DD Form 149, dated 22 Dec 97.
- Exhibit B. Applicant's Master Personnel Records.
- Exhibit C. Letter, AFPC/DPPAE, dated 5 Feb 98.
- Exhibit D. Letter, AFBCMR, dated 16 Feb 98.
- Exhibit E. Counsel's Response, dated 9 Apr 98.


THOMAS S. MARKIEWICZ
Panel Chair



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05 FEB 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR AFBCMR

FROM HQ AFPC/DPPAE
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: Application for Correction of Record • 

The applicant **requests his** Reenlistment Eligibility (RE) code be changed to a favorable **code** to permit entry into **the** Reserves. He **has** not filed a timely request.

The applicant was discharged on **15 Mar 88** with an honorable characterization of **service** after serving eight **years, two months** and three days **active** and **inactive service**. He received an RE code of "2H: Entered **into** the alcohol rehabilitation program according to AFR 30-2, and **has** not completed or **has** failed to complete the alcohol rehabilitation program."

A review of applicant's **medical** records confirms **his** entry into alcohol rehabilitation. In a 3 Mar 88 entry in applicant's medical records, mental health personnel state, "Return to group therapy next week" Applicant separated less **than** two weeks later. Applicant **has** not submitted proof that he completed follow-on support prior **to** separation.

Considering the above, we recommend denial of applicant's request for change of RE code. However, if the decision is to grant the relief sought, applicant's record **should** be corrected to reflect **his** RE code as "3K: Reserved for use **by** HQ AFPC or the Air Force **Board** for Correction of Military Records (AFBCMR) when **no** other reenlistment eligibility **code** applies or is appropriate."


Chief, Skills Management Branch
Dir of Personnel **Program** Management

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