## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: 98-00491

COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING DESIRED: NO

Applicant requests that his narrative reason for separation be changed to read "To Attend College," rather than "Miscellaneous Reasons." Applicant's submission is at Exhibit A.

The appropriate Air Force office evaluated applicant's request and provided an advisory opinion to the Board recommending the application be denied (Exhibit C). The advisory opinion was forwarded to the applicant for review and response (Exhibit D). As of this date, no response has been received by this office.

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 opinion appear to be based on the evidence of record and have not been 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.

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 evidence which was not reasonably available at the time the application was filed.

Members of the Board Mr. Douglas J. Heady, Mr. Joseph G. Diamond, and Mr. Henry Romo, Jr. considered this application on 11 Aug 98 in accordance with the provisions of Air Force Instruction 36-2603 and the governing statute, 10 U.S.C. 1552.

Douglas J. HEADY Panel Chair

### Exhibits:

- A. Applicant's DD Form 149
- B. Available Master Personnel Records .
- C. Advisory Opinion
- D. SAF/MIBR Ltr Forwarding Advisory Opinion



# DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE TEXAS

MAY 0 6 1998

#### MEMORANDUM FOR AFBCMR

FROM: HQ AFPC/DPPRS

550 C Street West Ste 11

Randolph AFB TX 78150-4713

SUBJECT: Application for Correction of Military Records

The applicant, while serving in the grade of senior airman, was separated from the Air Force 01 Oct 97 under the provisions of AFI 36-3208 (Voluntary-Miscellaneous Reasons) with an Honorable discharge. He served 03 years, 11 months 07 days total active service.

<u>Reauested Action</u>. The applicant is requesting the separation reason be changed from "miscellaneous/general reasons" to "attend school."

Facts. The applicant voluntarily requested early separation from the Air Force by submitting an AF Form 31 which indicated his reason for requesting early separation was to get his homestead taken care of before the next semester of college starts and to find work, get unpacked and settled in. His application was submitted according to AFI-36-3208, paragraph 3.15 which is the provision for a miscellaneous/general reasons separation. In order for him to be eligible for early separation to attend school his request would have had to be submitted according to paragraph 3.8 of AFI 36-3208 which requires that usually, the date of separation should not be more than 10 days before the class start date. In addition, applicants must show they have been accepted for a full-time course of instructions in a recognized Institution of higher education or Vocational or Technical School. There is no evidence that the applicant submitted the required information therefore, his only option, was to submit the miscellaneous/general reasons request which he submitted on 06 May 97 with a requested separation date of 01 Oct 97. The request was approved for his separation to be effective 01 Oct 97. The Air Force approved just what he ask for at the time of his application. The reason given in the majority of applications submitted for early released from active duty under the miscellaneous separation provision is to attend school.

<u>Discussion</u>. This case has been reviewed for separation processing and there are no errors or irregularities causing an injustice to the applicant. His discharge complies with directives in effect at the time of his discharge. The records indicate member's military service was reviewed and appropriate action was taken.

<u>Recommendation</u>. Applicant did not identify any specific errors in the discharge processing nor provide facts which warrant a change in the separation reason. Accordingly, we recommend applicant's request be denied. He has filed a timely request.

JOHN C. WOOTEN, GS-9

Military Personnel Mgmt Spec

Separations Branch

Dir of Personnel Program Management