RECORD **OF** PROCEEDINGS AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION **OF** MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

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DOCKET NUMBER: 98-01383

COUNSEL: None

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HEARING DESIRED: No

Applicant requests his Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, DD Form 214, Block 1, Name, be changed to read and Block 15a, Member Contributed to post-Vietnam era Veterans' Educational Assistance Program, be amended by placing an X in the "Yes" block. Applicant's submission is at Exhibit A.

Applicant's request to correct Block 1, Name, has been administratively corrected to show the second state of the second state

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. The Air Force states that although Block 15a of the DD Form 214 covers members who entered the service during the Veterans Education and Assistance Program (VEAP) era, the applicant has since enrolled in the Montgomery GI Bill program, and VEAP no longer applies to him. The Air Force also states that Block 15a of the DD Form 214 is no longer used by the Department of Veterans Affairs and has no bearing on benefit entitlement. 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 Ms. Charlene M. Bradley, Mr. Terry A. Yonkers, and Ms. Peggy E. Gordon considered this application on . 16 December 1998 in accordance with the provisions of Air Force Instruction 36-2603, and the governing statute, 10, U.S.C. 1552.

CHARLENE M. BRADLEY Panel Chair

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Exhibits:

- Α. Applicant's DD Form 149
- Available Master Personnel Records в.
- C. Advisory Opinion

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D. AFBCMR Ltr Forwarding Advisory Opinion



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MEMORANDUM FOR SAF/MIBR

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FROM: HQ USAF/DPDE 1040 Air Force Pentagon Washington, D.C. 20330-1040

JEC Correction of Military Records

Application For Correction of Military Record" referring to an erroneous entry in Block 15a on his DD Form 214 is incorrect. Although Block 15a of the DD Form 214 covers members who entered the service during the Veterans Education and Assistance Program (VEAP) era (1977-1985) (1977-1997) (1977-1997) (1977-1997) (1977-1997) (1977-1997) (1977-1997) (1977-1997) (1977-1997) (1977-1997) (1977-1987) (197

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HQ USAF/DPDE 1040 Air Force Pentagon Washington, DC 20330-1040

Dear

Reference is made to your request for a correction to Block 15a of the DD Form 214. Item 15a on the DD Form 214 indicates you did not contribute to the Post Viet-Nam era program called Veterans Educational Assistance Program (VEAP). Although Item 15 pertains to members who entered active duty between 1977 and 1985, that item **is** not used for any veterans educational benefit program. Block 15a can remain **as** is since you have enrolled in the Montgomery GI Bill program and it no longer applies to you.

Sincerely,

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