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#### Office of the Assistant Secretary

AFBCMR 98-01576

### MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF

Under the authority of Section 1552, Title 10, United States Code, Air Force Instruction 36-2603, and having assured compliance with the provisions of the above regulation, the decision of the Air Force Board for Correction of Military Record6 is announced, and it is directed that:

The pertinent military records of the Department of the Air Force relating to the become be corrected to show that on 15 May 1997, he elected under the Reserve Component Survivor Benefit Plan to change his coverage **from**Option CJ, "children only immediate coverage," to Option CF, "spouse and children immediate coverage," based on full retired pay.

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DONNA PITTENGER Chief Examiner Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records

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# MEMORANDUM OF CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION BEFORE THE AFBCMR

SUBJECT:

Having carefully reviewed this application, we agree with the recommendation of the Air Staff and adopt the rationale expressed as the basis for our decision that the applicant has been the victim of either an error or an injustice. Therefore, under the authority delegated in AFI **36-2603**, the applicant's records will be corrected as set forth in the accompanying Memorandum for the Chief of **Staffs**igned by the Executive Director of the Board or his designee.

Panel Chair

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Attachment: Ltr, HQ ARPC/DR, dtd 6/30/98



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# MEMORANDUM FOR AFBCMR

FROM: HQ ARPC/DR 6760 E Irvington Place #3000 Denver CO 80280-3000

SUBJECT: Application for Correction of Military Records,

1. The requested correction cannot be accomplished administratively at this headquarters.

2. The member is requesting that his record be changed to show that he added his spouse to his Reserve Component Survivor Benefit Plan (RCSBP) within one year of his marriage.

3. The following is an analysis of the circumstances surrounding the case:

a. The member made an election for children only with full, immediate coverage on 4 Apr 83. He was not married at the time of this election.

b. The member remarried 18 May 96

c. The member states that shortly after his marriage, he contacted the Air Reserve Personnel Center to obtain the information necessary to add his spouse to the RCSBP and was told that he could not accomplish this until applying for retired pay. He further states that at the time of applying for retired pay, he was told that he could not add his spouse to his RCSBP as the one year time limit had expired.

4. Per Title 10, United States Code, Section 1448(a)(B)(5), an individual can elect RCSBP coverage for a spouse if he does so within one year of marriage. Although there is no evidence that **an** injustice occurred, the member exhibited good intentions by inquiring **as** to the applicable procedures within this one year time limit.

5. Recommendation: Recommend the member's request be approved. If the decision is to grant the relief sought, the member's record should be corrected to show that he elected full, immediate coverage for spouse and children (Option CF) under the RCSBP, effective 15 May 97.

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ANN C. SHIPPY, Major, USAF Deputy Director of Customer Assistance

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