

ADDENDUM TO
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: BC-1988-03425
COUNSEL: NONE
HEARING DESIRED: YES

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT:

He be medically discharged or retired in 1981 under Department of Defense (DoD) Directive 1332.18, *Separation or Retirement for Physical Disability*; DoD Directive 1332.38, *Physical Disability Evaluation*; or DoD Directive 1332.39, *Application of the Veterans Administration Schedule for Rating Disabilities*.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

On 21 Jul 07, the applicant requested his narrative reason for separation of personality disorder be changed. On 29 Apr 08, the Board considered and granted the applicant's appeal and changed his narrative reason for separation to Secretarial Authority. For a full accounting of the facts surrounding his previous request and the rationale of the Board's earlier decision, see the Record of Proceedings at Exhibit E.

In an application dated 5 May 11, the applicant requested another change to his narrative reason for separation. However, his request for reconsideration was not processed by the MRBR Intake Office and accepted as a viable request for reconsideration until 15 Feb 12. In support of his request, the applicant provided a copy of his Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) decision rating reflecting service-connection for depression with post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) symptoms.

He requests he be medically discharged or retired. He states while at the Veteran's Affairs (VA) facility he inquired as to why personality disorder was put on his discharge paperwork and was told "they had to put something on it." For the last 30 plus years his previous discharge has given him similar rights as those of a convicted felon.

The applicant contends he returned from a chow break and discovered his friend had shot himself in the head. He was ordered by his supervisor not to mention what he had witnessed. He had anxiety attacks, episodes of deep depression, nightmares and began doubting his confidence. He did not share his fears because he feared it would impact his security clearance.

He remained in the service but his depression worsened. He continued to function but alcohol and drugs became a part of his daily existence. Even after attempting suicide and losing his security clearance, he was not offered any therapy or counseling of any kind.

He is 60 years old and his mental stress has still not been recognized

The applicant's complete submission, with attachments, is at Exhibit F.

THE BOARD CONCLUDES THAT:

1. Insufficient relevant evidence has been presented to demonstrate the existence of an error or injustice. It appears the applicant is requesting his records be corrected in a form or manner that would qualify him for retirement or medical benefits. However, after a thorough review of the evidence of record and the applicant's submission, we find no evidence that a physical condition existed at the time that met the requirements for processing through the disability evaluation system; therefore, we find no evidence he would have been eligible for a medical discharge. Therefore, the applicant has failed to sustain his burden that he has been the victim of an error or injustice. In the absence of persuasive evidence to the contrary, we find no basis to recommend granting the relief sought in this application.

2. The applicant's case is adequately documented and it has not been shown that a personal appearance with or without counsel will materially add to our understanding of the issues involved. Therefore, the request for a hearing is not favorably considered.

THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT:

The applicant be notified that the evidence presented did not demonstrate the existence of material error or injustice; that the application was denied without a personal appearance; and that the application will only be reconsidered upon the submission of newly discovered relevant evidence not considered with this application.

The following members of the Board considered Docket Number BC-1988-03425 in Executive Session on 7 Dec 12, under the provisions of AFI 36-2603:

Panel Chair
Member
Member

The following documentary evidence was considered:

Exhibit E. Record of Proceedings, dated 10 Jun 08, w/atchs.
Exhibit F. Applicant's Submission, dated 16 Oct 12.

Panel Chair