

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2012-00695

COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING DESIRED: NO

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT:

His fitness assessment test, dated 12 January 2012, be removed.

APPLICANT CONTENDS THAT:

On 12 January 2012, he was scheduled for his fitness assessment. Prior to taking the assessment, he was assigned a counter. The counters were told to count each sit up in the down position. His counter was not in sync with the correct number of sit ups he performed. A civilian staff member saw this and came over to correct the counter. She started on a number, which was not the correct number he was actually on. Between the civilian staff member correcting the counter and their brief conversation about the correction, they resumed a count and missed a couple of his sit ups.

The counter reported the final number of sit ups performed as 41. He also counted his sit ups and counted at least 46, with some sit ups being missed because of the conversation between the counter and the civilian staff member. He asked if he could redo his sit ups right then because the number was inaccurate. He was told there was nothing left to do but sign the fitness questionnaire. He was not told that if he did not agree with the score he did not have to sign the paper.

He has received sufficient scores in every other category and is in good physical condition. This is a flaw and mistake and he should not be punished for the miscommunication between the counter and the staff. He understands the Air Force fitness program is a sensitive subject, which is exactly why there should be no question of the integrity, accuracy and fairness.

In support of his request, the applicant provides a personal statement.

The applicant's complete submission, with attachment, is at Exhibit A.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

The applicant is currently serving in the Regular Air Force in the grade of senior airman.

AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

AFPC/DPSIM recommends denial. On 19 March 2012, DPSIM requested the applicant forward a signed memorandum from the Fitness Assessment Cell staff documenting that his sit ups were counted incorrectly. As of the date of the advisory, the requested information had not been received.

The complete DPSIM evaluation, with attachment, is at Exhibit B.

APPLICANT'S REVIEW OF AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

A copy of the Air Force evaluation was forwarded to the applicant on 30 May 2012, for review and comment within 30 days (Exhibit C). As of this date, this office has received no response.

THE BOARD CONCLUDES THAT:

1. The applicant has exhausted all remedies provided by existing law or regulations.
 2. The application was timely filed.
 3. Sufficient relevant evidence has been presented to demonstrate the existence of an injustice to warrant relief. We thoroughly considered the applicant's complete submission and the OPR's recommendation not to remove the fitness assessment score. However, we believe reasonable doubt has been established as to whether or not the fitness assessment was completed in a fair manner. Based on the foregoing, we believe any doubt should be resolved in the applicant's favor and recommend that the records be corrected as indicated below.
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THE BOARD RECOMMENDS THAT:

The pertinent military records of the Department of the Air Force relating to APPLICANT, be corrected to show that the

fitness assessment score dated 12 January 2012, be, and hereby is removed from the Air Force Fitness Management System.

The following members of the Board considered AFBCMR Docket Number BC-2012-00695 in Executive Session on 17 July 2012 under the provisions of AFI 36-2603:

Panel Chair
Member
Member

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

- Exhibit A. DD Form 149, dated 18 Jan 12, w/atch.
- Exhibit B. Letter, AFPC/DPSIM, dated 9 May 12, w/atch.
- Exhibit C. Letter, SAF/MRBR, dated 30 May 12.

Panel Chair