

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2012-00907

COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING DESIRED: NO

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT:

His fitness assessment test, dated 1 December 2011, be removed.

APPLICANT CONTENDS THAT:

The physical training tester conducted a waist measurement which resulted in a measurement of 39 inches. He looked at the tape during the measurement and it was 37 inches. The tester did not like the way he looked and thought he was sucking in his stomach. The tester then adjusted the tape out to 39 inches for all three measurements.

After the fitness assessment, he immediately went to his First Sergeant and his Unit Fitness Program Manager. They performed waist measurements on him and both measurements were 37 to 37.5 inches. The Human Performance Flight Commander also performed a courtesy measurement which revealed a waist measurement of 37 inches.

In support of his request, the applicant provides letters of support from his commander, flight commander, an excerpt from the Fitness Program instruction, his Air Force Fitness Management print out, AF Form 422, *Notification of Air Force Member's Qualification Status* and AF Form 469, *Duty Limiting Report*.

The applicant's complete submission, with attachments, 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 16 April 2012, DPSIM requested the applicant forward a signed memorandum from the Fitness Assessment Cell (FAC) tester documenting that his abdominal circumference was measured 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:

The applicant responded to DPSIM's request stating the tester could not recall the test and would not sign a memorandum stating the abdominal measurement was incorrectly done.

The applicant also states he went back to the FAC with his First Sergeant the day of the actual test; however, the FAC would not retape him. The policy states if there is a dispute, the member may be retaped in front of the First Sergeant or Commander, yet, that option was not presented at that time.

He reported to the Human Performance Flight Commander, who oversees the FAC, on 5 December 2011, and was measured at 37 inches. He could not see the Commander until then because he was on temporary duty.

The applicant's complete response is at Exhibit D.

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 Air Force office of primary responsibility's recommendation not to remove the fitness assessment score. However, based on the statements from his commander and the Human Performance Flight commander attesting to his abdominal circumference measurement of 37.0 inches, we believe reasonable doubt has been established as to whether or not the fitness assessment was properly and accurately documented. Based on the foregoing, we believe any doubt should be resolved in the applicant's favor and we recommend that the records be corrected as indicated below.

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 1 December 2011, be removed from the Air Force Fitness Management System.

The following members of the Board considered AFBCMR Docket Number BC-2012-00907 in Executive Session on 21 August 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/atchs.
- Exhibit B. Letter, AFPC/DPSIM, dated 20 Jun 12, w/atch.
- Exhibit C. Letter, SAF/MRBR, dated 2 Jul 12.
- Exhibit D. Letter, Applicant's Response, dated 17 Jul 12.

Panel Chair