RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF: DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2012-01091

COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING DESIRED: NO

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT:

His records be corrected to reflect he declined Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance (SGLI) in May 2006 and any debt incurred be remitted.

APPLICANT CONTENDS THAT:

He unintentionally applied for SGLI in October 2005. He corrected the matter in May 2006 by completing a new SGLV 8286 Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance Election and Certificate, stating "I do not want insurance at this time." The Military Personnel Flight did not upload the new form. In October 2011, his Leave and Earnings Statement (LES) reflected the SGLI premium had restarted and established a debt of \$1989.00. The form he completed in May 2006 was burned in an apartment fire. The only record he has to prove his updated election is his May 2006 LES showing a refund of the SGLI premiums.

In support of his appeal, the applicant provides SGLV 8286, copies of his LES, and DD Form 2789, Waiver/Remission of Indebtness Application.

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

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

The applicant is on active duty serving in the grade of staff sergeant.

The remaining relevant facts pertaining to this application are contained in the letter prepared by the Air Force office of primary responsibility which can be found at Exhibit C.

AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

AFPC/DPWC recommends approval of remitting the debt. The applicant was under full SGLI since October 2005 and monthly premiums were deducted from his pay. In April 2006, records show a computer transaction from the Military Personnel Data System (MILPDS) arrived into the finance system and stopped the SGLI premiums effective October 2005. This transaction caused the finance system to refund the premiums collected during that time. In October 2011, a transaction was sent by MILPDS to the finance system to restart the SGLI premiums effective October 2005, which created the debt.

DPWC opines the computer transaction in April 2006 was the result of the applicant attempting to decline SGLI. However, the declination was never placed into his official record. His current duty station reviewed his records and found the October 2005 SGLI election. Accordingly, it updated MILPDS to reflect that election thus creating the debt. The applicant challenged the change; however, he could not produce the SGLV 8286 from April 2006 declining coverage.

The computer transaction in April 2006 shows the applicant's intent to stop the SGLI coverage. He should be relieved of the debt incurred.

The complete DPWC evaluation is at Exhibit C.

APPLICANT'S REVIEW OF THE AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

A copy of the Air Force evaluation was forwarded to the applicant on 11 May 2012, for review and comment within 30 days. As of this date, no response has been received by this office (Exhibit D).

THE BOARD CONCLUDES THAT:

- 1. The applicant has exhausted all remedies provided by law or regulations.
- 2. The application was timely filed.
- 3. Sufficient relevant evidence has been presented to demonstrate the existence of an error or injustice to warrant relief. After thoroughly reviewing the evidence submitted in support of his appeal, we agree with the Air Force office of primary responsibility assessment that sufficient evidence has been provided to show the applicant's intent to stop his SGLI. It appears that due to administrative errors beyond the applicant's control, reinstatement of full SGLI coverage was erroneously

completed. Accordingly, we recommend his records be corrected as indicated below.

THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT:

The pertinent military records of the Department of the Air Force relating to APPLICANT, be corrected to show that he executed SGLV 8286, Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance Election and Certificate, declining any and all coverage, effective 24 October 2005.

The following members of the Board considered AFBCMR Docket Number BC-2012-01091 in Executive Session on 6 December 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 Mar 12, w/atchs.

Exhibit B. Letter, AFPC/DPWC, date illegible.

Exhibit C. Letter, SAF/MRBR, dated 11 May 12.

Panel Chair