RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF: DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2012-01104

COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING DESIRED: NO

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT:

His fitness assessment (FA), dated 26 August 2010, be removed from the Air Force Fitness Management System (AFFMS).

APPLICANT CONTENDS THAT:

During his 26 August 2010, FA, he requested his feet be held down by another member for the sit-up portion of the test. The test proctor told him it was mandatory that he used the anchored toe-hold bar. While attempting the sit ups for the first time using the bar, his heels continuously came off the ground. The test should have been stopped. Instead, he was made to finish the test and failed by four sit ups.

In support of his request, the applicant provides a memorandum from the Office of the Inspector General (IG).

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 staff sergeant. Documentation submitted by the applicant reveals he filed a complaint with the IG alleging the testing personnel were mandating the use of the toe bar when completing the sit-up component of the test. The IG investigated the claim and determined that the process was put into place without any written guidance and was not in accordance with AFI 36-2905, Fitness Program. The AFI states that members may have their feet held down with hands or by putting knees on the feet. As a result of his complaint, a new procedure was put into place allowing members both options.

AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

AFPC/DPSIM recommends approval of removing the sit-up portion of the FA. The sit-up portion of the assessment should be updated to reflect "exempt." The applicant's overall composite score would then reflect 89.00 - satisfactory.

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

APPLICANT'S REVIEW OF AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

A copy of the Air Force evaluation was forwarded to the applicant on 25 June 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 a clear error to warrant partial relief. In this respect, while the applicant requests his 26 August 2010 FA be removed, in its entirety from his records, we find the evidence provided insufficient to recommend granting this request. However, we are in agreement with the recommendation of the Air Force office of primary responsibility to "exempt" the applicant from the sit-up component of the assessment and maintain the scores of all other components of the referenced FA in AFFMS. Accordingly, we recommend the applicant's records be corrected only to the extent 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 situp component of his Fitness Assessment dated 26 August 2010, be updated to reflect "exempt" and all other components remain in the Air Force Fitness Management System.

The following members of the Board considered AFBCMR Docket Number BC-2012-01104 in Executive Session on 27 November 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 22 Mar 12, w/atch.

Exhibit B. Letter, AFPC/DPSIM, dated 5 Jun 12, w/atchs.

Exhibit C. Letter, SAF/MRBR, dated 25 Jun 12.

Panel Chair