

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2012-01266

COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING DESIRED: NO

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT:

His fitness assessment test, dated 7 January 2012, be removed from the Air Force Fitness Management System (AFFMS).

APPLICANT CONTENDS THAT:

While taking the cardio portion of the fitness assessment, he experienced back pain. He believed the pain was from a pre-existing injury. His first sergeant asked the test administrator if he should stop the run and was told it was in his best interest to finish the run. He did not pass the run portion of the assessment.

After the assessment, his doctor diagnosed him with another back strain. He underwent rehabilitation on his back until he was cleared on 3 March 2012. He was able to complete another fitness assessment with waivers on 20 January 2012 and achieved a passing score.

In support of his request, the applicant provides letters from his commander and first sergeant and excerpts of his medical records.

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

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

The applicant is currently serving in the Air Force Reserves in the grade of senior master sergeant.

AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

AFPC/DPSIM recommends denial. Per their request, the applicant provided a working copy of the AF Form 422, dated 20 January 2012 indicating no running. His record does not contain an AF Form 108

showing he had a preexisting condition that hindered his ability to achieve a passing fitness score.

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 26 July 2012 for review and comment within 30 days. As of this date, this office has received no response (Exhibit C).

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 error or 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, we believe the applicant has established that he aggravated a preexisting injury while performing the cardio component of the assessment. Additionally, we find there was a clear error when the test administrator advised the applicant to complete the fitness assessment after being informed of the injury. Therefore, in the interest of justice, we recommend 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 7 January 2012, be removed from the Air Force Fitness Management System.

The following members of the Board considered AFBCMR Docket Number BC-2012-01266 in Executive Session on 16 October 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 pertaining to AFBCMR Docket Number BC-2012-01266 was considered:

- Exhibit A. DD Form 149, dated 7 Mar 12, w/atchs.
- Exhibit B. Letter, AFPC/DPSIM, dated 19 Jun 12, w/atchs.
- Exhibit C. Letter, SAF/MRBR, dated 26 Jul 12.

Panel Chair