

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2012-01536  
COUNSEL: NONE  
HEARING DESIRED: YES

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APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT:

His Fitness assessment (FA) failure dated 10 Aug 11 be removed from the Air Force Fitness Management System (AFFMS).

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APPLICANT CONTENDS THAT:

1. He failed to meet the minimum sit-up component on his FA because the fitness assessment cell (FAC) monitor stated "he was lifting his hips." He did not attempt to perform the run component because the FAC monitor stated it was the member's option to continue with the remainder of the assessment for a component failure.

2. The FAC staff was not using Air Force Guidance Memorandum (AFGM) 2.1 for AFI 36-2905, *Fitness Program* for determining what constitutes "lifting of hips" per the revised sit-up verbal instructions. The tester never stated his buttocks was "leaving the floor."

3. Within 48 hours he performed the sit-up component of the FA for two Force Support Squadron (FSS) staff members, who stated there was nothing wrong with his sit-ups. On 21 Jul 11, he completed a Physical Training (PT) test at the Senior Noncommissioned Officer's Academy (SNCOA) and scored an overall 86.9 points including 9.5 points for sit-ups. His previous eight component scores were above the minimum required. On 1 Sep 11, he retested (first available date/22 days after the failure) and scored an overall 92.20 points including 10 points for sit-ups.

In support of his request, the applicant provides copies of his FA scores, AFI 36-2905 excerpts, emails and other documentation associated with his request.

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

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STATEMENT OF FACTS:

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

On 2 May 12, AFPC/DPSIM requested the applicant provide additional supporting documentation to substantiate his claim. Specifically, a letter from the FAC personnel that the sit-up component of the FA in question was not conducted in accordance with (IAW) AFI 36-2905. Additionally, DPSIM requested the applicant provide the signed score sheet for the FA conducted on 10 Aug 11.

The following is a summary of the applicant's sit-up scores:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sit-up Score</u>
9/1/11	50
<b>*8/10/11</b>	<b>32</b>
2/24/11	50
8/20/10	37
2/19/10	47
2/27/09	49
2/6/08	49
2/23/07	46
2/23/06	40

The remaining relevant facts pertaining to this application are contained in the letter prepared by the appropriate office of the Air Force, which is attached at Exhibit C.

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AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

AFPC/DPSIM recommends denial. DPSIM states the applicant failed to provide the requested documentation.

The complete DPSIM evaluation is at Exhibit C.

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APPLICANT'S REVIEW OF AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

A copy of the Air Force evaluation was forwarded to the applicant on 6 Aug 12 for review and comment within 30 days (Exhibit D). As of this date, this office has not received a response.

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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. The applicant contends his sit-ups, though not counted, were conducted in accordance with (IAW) Air Force Instructions causing him to fail his FA. We note the Air Force office of primary responsibility recommends denial and states the applicant failed to provide supporting documentation to substantiate his claim. However, after a careful review of the available evidence, we believe relief is warranted. In this respect, we note that prior to the contested sit-up score dated 11 Aug 11, the applicant received the maximum score on eight of his last nine attempts, thus raising doubt as to the validity of his sit-up score. Therefore, in the interest of justice, we find the evidence sufficient to grant the requested relief and recommend the records be corrected as indicated below.
4. The applicant's case is adequately documented and it has not been shown that a personal appearance with or without counsel will materially add to our understanding of the issues involved. Therefore, the request for a hearing is not favorably considered.

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THE BOARD RECOMMENDS THAT:

The pertinent military records of the Department of the Air Force relating to the APPLICANT be corrected to show that the Fitness Assessment (FA) dated 10 August 2011, be, and hereby is declared void and removed from his records.

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The following members of the Board considered BC-2012-01536 in Executive Session on 5 Nov 12 under the provisions of AFI 36-2603:

Panel Chair  
Member  
Member

The following documentary evidence pertaining to AFBCMR  
Docket Number BC-2012-01536 was considered:

- Exhibit A. DD Form 149, dated 7 Sep 11, w/atchs.
- Exhibit B. Letter. AFPC/DPSIM, dated 2 May 12.
- Exhibit C. Letter, AFPC/DPSIM, dated 16 Jul 12, w/atchs.
- Exhibit E. Letter, SAF/MRBR, dated 6 Aug 12.

Panel Chair