

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBERS: BC-2012-02387
COUNSEL: NONE
HEARING DESIRED: NO

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT:

His Fitness Assessment (FA) dated 5 October 2011, be removed from the Air Force Fitness Management System (AFFMS).

APPLICANT CONTENDS THAT:

Multiple errors resulted in an incorrect score being entered into the AFFMS. He was given unjust guidance for retaking the 1.5 mile run for his FA after his score keeper failed to count his laps correctly the first time testing.

In support of his appeal, the applicant provides a personal statement and copies of his AFFMS information, FA guidelines, an excerpt of Air Force Instruction 36-2905, his Lap Count scores, and an electronic communication.

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

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

The applicant is currently a member of the Regular Air Force serving in the grade of captain (O-3).

On 20 June 2012, AFPC/DPSIM wrote to the applicant requesting documentation to substantiate his claim, specifically, a copy of his signed score sheet, questionnaire for the FA in question, and a memorandum from the local Fitness Assessment Cell (FAC) that his 1.5 mile run was administered incorrectly.

The remaining relevant facts, extracted from the applicant's military service record, are contained in the evaluation provided by the Air Force office of primary responsibility at Exhibit C.

AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

AFPC/DPSIM recommends denial. DPSIM states the applicant has not responded to their request for copies of his score sheet, FA questionnaire, and memorandum from his local FAC. Therefore, they must recommend his request be denied.

The complete DPSIM evaluation, with attachment, is at Exhibit C.

APPLICANT'S REVIEW OF AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

A copy of the Air Force evaluation was forwarded to the applicant on 11 September 2012, for review and comment within 30 days (Exhibit D). 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 error or injustice. After a thorough review of the evidence of record and the applicant's submission, we believe relief is warranted. The Board notes the comments of the Air Force office of primary responsibility, indicating the applicant has failed to sustain his burden of proof to substantiate his claim. However, we find that he has provided substantial evidence raising into question the accuracy of the cardio component of the contested FA. In this respect, we note the documentation provided by the applicant reflects that after his score keeper failed to count his laps correctly during the cardio component, he was presented three options, i.e., re-do the run portion that same day, complete the run the next day, or take an incomplete, in which case he would be administered the entire FA on another day. He opted for the latter, since the first two options were contrary to the governing instruction, which requires that all FA components be completed within a 3-hour window on the same day. However, instead of an incomplete being entered into the AFFMS for the entire FA, he was given an incomplete score for the cardio component, resulting in an overall FA score of unsatisfactory. When he questioned the fitness test administrator concerning the incorrect entry, he was advised to seek correction of his military records. Therefore, based on the foregoing and noting the applicant's history of otherwise acceptable fitness levels, we recommend that his record be corrected as indicated below.
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THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT:

The pertinent military records of the Department of the Air Force relating to APPLICANT be corrected to show that his Fitness Assessment, dated 5 October 2011, be declared void and removed from his records.

The following members of the Board considered AFBCMR Docket Number BC-2012-02387 in Executive Session on 21 February 2013, under the provisions of AFI 36-2603:

_____, Chair
_____, Member
_____, Member

All members voted to correct the records, as recommended. The following documentary evidence for AFBCMR Docket Number BC-2012-02387 was considered:

- Exhibit A. DD Form 149, dated 5 May 12, with atchs.
- Exhibit B. Letter, AFPC/DPSIM, dated 20 Jun 12.
- Exhibit C. Letter, AFPC/DPSIM, dated 21 Aug 12, w/atrch.
- Exhibit D. Letter, SAF/MRBR, dated 11 Sep 12.

Chair