

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2012-02646
COUNSEL: NONE
HEARING DESIRED: YES

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT:

His DD Form 214, *Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty*, block 28, *Narrative Reason for Separation* be changed from "Voluntary Retirement: Sufficient for Retirement" to "High Year of Tenure (HYT)."

APPLICANT CONTENDS THAT:

His HYT for the grade of senior master sergeant (E-8) is 28 years. During his retirement briefing he was informed his retirement could only be effective on 1 Jul 09, or 1 Aug 09, due to his HYT date of 16 Jul 09. He chose 1 Jul 09, based on HYT restrictions and not a voluntary retirement.

In support of his request, the applicant provides a copy of his DD Form 214, *Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty*.

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

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

On 1 Jul 09, the applicant retired in the grade of senior master sergeant. He served 27 years, 11 months and 15 days of total active service.

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.

AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

AFPC/DPSOR recommends denial. In accordance with (IAW) AFI 36-3203, *Service Retirements*, if the applicant did not apply for retirement, his only option would have been to separate on 16 Jul 09. The applicant did not submit any evidence or provide any facts warranting a change of his separation program

designator (SPD) code or narrative reason for separation. In addition, the applicant did not indicate that his preference was to separate versus retire.

The complete DPSOR evaluation is at Exhibit C.

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.

THE BOARD CONCLUDES THAT:

1. The applicant has exhausted all remedies provided by existing law or regulations.
 2. The application was timely filed.
 3. Insufficient relevant evidence has been presented to demonstrate the existence of an error or injustice. We took notice of the applicant's complete submission in judging the merits of the case; however, we agree with the opinion and recommendation of the Air Force office of primary responsibility and adopt its rationale as the basis for our conclusion that the applicant has not been the victim of an error or injustice. In view of the above and in the absence of evidence to the contrary, we find no basis to recommend granting the relief sought in this application.
 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 DETERMINES THAT:

The applicant be notified that the evidence presented did not demonstrate the existence of error or injustice; that the application was denied without a personal appearance; and that the application will only be reconsidered upon the submission of newly discovered relevant evidence not considered with this application.

The following members of the Board considered AFBCMR Docket Number BC-2012-02646 in Executive Session on 5 Feb 13, under the provisions of AFI 36-2603:

Panel Chair

Member

Member

The following documentary evidence was considered:

Exhibit A. DD Form 149, dated 11 Jun 12, w/atchs.

Exhibit B. Applicant's Master Personnel Records.

Exhibit C. Letter, AFPC/DPSOR, dated 25 Jul 12.

Exhibit D. Letter, SAF/MRBR, dated 6 Aug 12.

Panel Chair