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### AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD DECISIONAL RATIONALE

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**GENERAL:** The applicant appeals for upgrade of discharge to honorable and to change the reenlistment code.

The applicant was offered a personal appearance before the Discharge Review Board (DRB) but declined to exercise this right.

The attached brief contains available pertinent data on the applicant and the factors leading to the discharge.

FINDINGS: Upgrade of Discharge and change of reenlistment code is denied.

The Board finds that neither the evidence of record nor that provided by the applicant substantiates an inequity or impropriety that would justify a change of discharge.

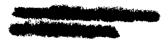
ISSUE: Applicant contends discharge was inequitable because it was too harsh. The records indicated the applicant received an Article 15 for driving while drunk. In addition, he received a Letter of Reprimand and two Letters of Counseling for significant financial irresponsibility (numerous bad checks). The DRB opined that through these administrative actions, the applicant had ample opportunities to change his negative behavior. The Board concluded the misconduct was a significant departure from conduct expected of all military members. The characterization of the discharge received by the applicant was found to be appropriate.

**CONCLUSIONS:** The Discharge Review Board concludes that the discharge was consistent with the procedural and substantive requirements of the discharge regulation and was within the discretion of the discharge authority and that the applicant was provided full administrative due process.

In view of the foregoing findings the board further concludes that there exists no legal or equitable basis for upgrade of discharge, thus the applicant's discharge should not be changed.

Attachment: Examiner's Brief

## DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD ANDREWS AFB, MD



(Former A1C) (HGH SRA)

1. MATTER UNDER REVIEW: Appl rec'd a GEN Disch fr USAF 18 Dec 91 UP AFR 39-10, para 5-46 (Misconduct - Discreditable Involvement With Military or Civil Authorities). Appeals for Honorable Discharge and to Change the RE Code.

#### 2. BACKGROUND:

a. DOB: 1 Jan 70. Enlmt Age: 18 0/12. Disch Age: 21 11/12. Educ: HS DIPL. AFQT: N/A. A-30, E-66, G-42, M-52. PAFSC: 36150 - Antenna Systems Installation/Maintenance Specialist. DAS: 15 Feb 89.

b. Prior Sv: (1) AFRes 14 Jan 88 - 30 Aug 88 (7 months 17 days) (Inactive).

#### SERVICE UNDER REVIEW:

- a. Enlisted as AB 31 Aug 88 for 4 yrs. Svd: 3 Yrs 3 Mo 18 Das, all AMS.
- Grade Status: A1C 15 Nov 91 (Article 15, 15 Nov 91)
   SRA 31 Aug 91
   A1C 28 Dec 89
   AMN Unknown
- c. Time Lost: None.
- d. Art 15's: (1) 15 Nov 91, Yokota AB, Japan Article 111. You did, on or about 10 Nov 91, on Bobzien Avenue adjacent to Bldg 104, operate a vehicle, to wit: a passenger car, while drunk. Reduction to AlC. (No appeal) (No mitigation)
- e. Additional: RIC, 11 OCT 91 Financial irresponsibility.
  RIC, 17 JUN 91 Financial irresponsibility.
  LOR, 10 OCT 90 Financial irresponsibility.
- f. CM: None.
- g. Record of SV: 31 Aug 89 30 Apr 90 Yokota AB 3 (Initial) 01 May 90 - 30 Apr 91 Yokota AB 4 (Annual) 01 May 91 - 07 Nov 91 Yokota AB 2 (CRO)**REF**

(Discharged from Travis AFB)

- h. Awards & Decs: NDSM, AFGCM, AFOSLTR, AFTR.
- i. Stmt of Sv: TMS: (3) Yrs (11) Mos (5) Das TAMS: (3) Yrs (3) Mos (18) Das

4. BASIS ADVANCED FOR REVIEW: Appln (DD Fm 293) dtd 30 Jun 03. (Change Discharge to Honorable and Change the RE Code.)

Issue 1: After the Gulf War in 1991 I went to my Commanding Officer, Lt Col. and asked him to be released from the U.S. Air Force. He said "You cannot just be released." The next day Lt Col. SMsgt and I all meet (sic) in Col. office and discussed the best way to be released from the military without being connected to the "dirty thirty" investigation. At that time I was promised that I would get a Honorable discharge. Lt Col. Said leave it to me. I did. I never looked at my discharge papers, knowing that an Officer or the Armed Forces would have the best interest of his people in mind.

The reason this request is delayed. I am trying to become a Peace Officer in the City of Denton. I was lucky enough to fight for my country, which fullfilled one dream. I am just asking for the opportunity to fulfill yet one more dream and to give back to the community in which I live.

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# DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE 1837TH ELECTRONICS INSTALLATION SQUADRON (AFCC) APO SAN FRANCISCO 96328-5000

REPLY TO

CC

3 Dec 91

\*\*\*\*\*\* Notification Letter

TO: "A1C

1837 EIS

- 1. I am recommending your discharge from the United States Air Force for minor disciplinary infraction. The authority for this action is AFR 39-10, paragraph 5-46. If my recommendation is approved, your service will be characterized as honorable or general. I am recommending that your service be characterized as general.
- 2. My reasons for this action are:
- a. On or about 10 Nov 91, you operated a vehicle while drunk, as evidenced by an AF Form 3070, dated 15 Nov 91.
- b. On or about 29 Sep 91, you wrote a check for \$50.00 for which you failed to maintain sufficient funds to redeem, as evidenced by a Dishonored Check letter, dated 1 Oct 91 and an AF Form 174, dated 11 Oct 91.
- c. On or about 28 Sept 91, you wrote a check for \$150.00 for which you failed to maintain sufficient funds to redeem, as evidenced by a Dishonored Check letter, dated 1 Oct 91 and an AF Form 174, dated 11 Oct 91.
- d. On or about 13 Sep 91, you wrote a check for \$60.00 for which you failed to maintain sufficient funds to redeem, as evidenced by a Notification of Dishonored Check letter, dated 9 Oct 91, and the commander's comments on an AF Form 174, dated 11 Oct 91.
- e. On or about 11 Sep 91, you wrote a check for \$60.00 for which you failed to maintain sufficient funds to redeem, as evidenced by a Notification of Dishonored Check letter, dated 9 Oct 91 and an AF Form 174, dated 11 Oct 91.
- f. On or about 4 Jun 91, you failed to pay a just debt caused by your being charged for an overdraft, as evidenced by an AF Form 174, dated 17 Jun 91, with attachments.
- g. On or about 7 May 91, you wrote a check for \$50.00 for which you failed to maintain sufficient funds to redeem, as evidenced by a Notification of Dishonored Check letter, dated 12 Jun 91.

- h. On or about 6 May 91, you wrote a check for \$15.00 for which you failed to maintain sufficient funds to redeem, as evidenced by a Notification of Dishonored Check, dated 12 Jun 91.
- i. On or about 25 Aug 90, you wrote a check for \$255.00, for which you failed to maintain sufficient funds to redeem, as evidenced by a Dishonored Check letter, dated 3 Oct 90 and a Letter of Reprimand, dated 10 Oct 90.
- j. On or about 7 Aug 90, you wrote a check for \$100.00 for which you failed to maintain sufficient funds to redeem, as evidenced by a Dishonored Check letter, dated 27 Aug 90 and a Letter of Reprimand, dated 10 Oct 90.
- k. On or about 6 Aug 90, you wrote a check for \$50.00 for which you failed to maintain sufficient funds to redeem, as evidenced by a Dishonored Check Notification letter, dated 27 Aug 90 and a Letter of Reprimand, dated 10 Oct 90.
- 1. On or about 26 Jul 90, you wrote a check for \$50.00 for which you failed to maintain sufficient funds to redeem, as evidenced by a Request for Collection Assistance letter, dated 31 Aug 90, a Dishonored Check letter, dated 30 Aug 90 and a Letter of Reprimand, dated 10 Oct 90.
- m. On or about 11 Jul 90, you wrote a check for \$50.00 for which you failed to maintain sufficient funds to redeem, às evidenced by a Request for Collection Assistance letter, dated 31 Aug 90, a Dishonored Check letter, dated 15 Aug 90 and a Letter of Reprimand, dated 10 Oct 90.
- n. On or about 10 Jul 90, you wrote two checks for a total of \$140.50 for which you failed to maintain sufficient funds to redeem, as evidenced by a Dishonored Check Notification, dated 14 Aug 90 and a Letter of Reprimand, dated 10 Oct 90.
- o. On or about 7 Jul 90, you wrote a check for \$50.00 for which you failed to maintain sufficient funds to redeem, as evidenced by a Dishonored Check Notification, dated 10 Aug 90, and a Letter of Reprimand, dated 10 Oct 90.

Copies of the documents to be forwarded to the separation authority in support of this recommendation are attached. The commander exercising SPCM jurisdiction or a higher authority will decide whether you will be discharged or retained in the Air Force and if you are discharged, how your service will be characterized. If you are discharged, you will be ineligible for reenlistment in the Air Force.

- 3. You have the right to consult counsel. Military legal counsel has been obtained to assist you. I have made an appointment for you to consult Capt at the Area Defense Counsel office, bldg 420, on <u>3 Dec 91</u> at OBOO. You may consult civilian counsel at your own expense.
- 4. You have the right to submit statements in your own behalf. Any statements you want the separation authority to consider must reach me by (300 600), (3 workdays from notification) unless you request and receive an extension for good cause shown. I will send them to the separation authority.
- 5. If you fail to consult counsel or to submit statements in your own behalf, your failure will constitute a waiver of your right to do so.
- 6. You have been scheduled for a medical examination. You must report to the Physical Examinations Section of the hospital at 0815 on 7 Nov 91 for the examination. If you wear glasses or contact lenses, bring them with you to the exam. If you wear contact lenses, bring a container to place them in during the exam.
- 7. Any personal information you furnish in rebuttal is covered by the Privacy Act Statement as explained in AFR 39-10, attachment 2. A copy of AFR 39-10 is available for you use at the 475 MSSQ Master Library.

Commander Lt Col SAI

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(See next page)

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a AF Form 3070, dated 15 Aug 91

b AF Form 174, dated 11 Oct 91

c Dishonored Check letter, dated, 1 Oct 91, w/atch

d Notification of Dishonored Check, dated 9 Oct 91

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f AF Form 174, dated 17 Jun 91

g Notification of Dishonored Check, dated 12 Jun 91

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m Dishonored Check letter, dated 30 Aug 90

n Dishonored Check letter, dated 15 Aug 90

o Dishonored Check Notification, dated 14 Aug 90

p Dishonored Check
Notification, dated
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2 Other Data

a MFR, dated 23 Aug 90

3 Airman's Receipt of Notification