

# AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD HEARING RECORD

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TYPE GEN	PERSONAL APPEARANCE	<b>X</b>	RECORD REVIEW						
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ISSUES <b>A94.05</b>	INDEX NUMBER <b>A69.00</b>	EXHIBITS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD							
		<b>1</b>	ORDER APPOINTING THE BOARD						
		<b>2</b>	APPLICATION FOR REVIEW OF DISCHARGE						
		<b>3</b>	LETTER OF NOTIFICATION						
		<b>4</b>	BRIEF OF PERSONNEL FILE						
			COUNSEL'S RELEASE TO THE BOARD						
			ADDITIONAL EXHIBITS SUBMITTED AT TIME OF PERSONAL APPEARANCE						
			TAPE RECORDING OF PERSONAL APPEARANCE						
HEARING DATE <b>09 Apr 2004</b>	CASE NUMBER <b>FD-2004-00042</b>								
APPLICANT'S ISSUE AND THE BOARD'S DECISIONAL RATIONALE ARE DISCUSSED ON THE ATTACHED AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD DECISIONAL RATIONALE									
<p>Case heard at Washington, D.C.</p> <p>Advise applicant of the decision of the Board, the right to a personal appearance with/without counsel, and the right to submit an application to the AFBCMR</p>									
INDORSEMENT				DATE: 4/9/2004					
TO: SAF/MRBR 550 C STREET WEST, SUITE 40 RANDOLPH AFB, TX 78150-4742			FROM: SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE PERSONNEL COUNCIL AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD 1535 COMMAND DR, EE WING, 3RD FLOOR ANDREWS AFB, MD 20762-7002						

**AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD DECISIONAL RATIONALE**

CASE NUMBER

**FD-2004-00042**

**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.

**ISSUE:** Applicant contends discharge was inequitable because it was too harsh. The records indicated the applicant received an Article 15 for failure to go and failed the alcohol abuse treatment program. The DRB opined that through these administrative actions, the applicant had ample opportunities to change her 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 SRA) (HGH SRA)

1. **MATTER UNDER REVIEW:** Appl rec'd a GEN Disch fr MacDill AFB, FL on 3 Feb 99 UP AFI 36-3208, para 5.32 (Alcohol Abuse Treatment Failure). Appeals for Honorable Discharge and to Change the RE Code.

2. **BACKGROUND:**

a. DOB: 23 May 76. Enlmt Age: 18 8/12. Disch Age: 22 8/12. Educ: HS DIPL. AFQT: N/A. A-70, E-34, G-46, M-36. PAFSC: 4R051 - Diagnostic Imaging Journeyman. DAS: 17 Sep 96.

b. Prior Sv: (1) AFRes 24 Jan 95 - 6 Jun 95 (4 months 14 days) (Inactive).

3. **SERVICE UNDER REVIEW:**

a. Enlisted as AB 7 Jun 95 for 6 yrs. Svd: 3 Yrs 7 Mo 28 Das, all AMS.

b. Grade Status: SrA - 22 Nov 97  
A1C - (EPR Indicates): 7 Jun 95-15 Jan 97

c. Time Lost: None.

d. Art 15's: (1) 15 Aug 97, MacDill AFB, FL - Article 86. You did, on or about 18 Jul 97, without authority, fail to go to your appointed place of duty, at 0700 hours, to wit: Base Gym. You did, on or about 18 Jul 97, without authority, fail to go at the time prescribed to your appointed place of duty, at 0830, to wit: Medical Support Squadron, Building 711. Suspended reduction to Airman (No appeal) (No mitigation)

e. Additional: SF Form 600, 1 DEC 98 - Failure to satisfactorily complete Substance Abuse Control Program.

f. CM: None.

g. Record of SV: 07 Jun 95 - 15 Jan 97 MacDill AFB 4 (HAF Dir)  
16 Jan 97 - 01 Jul 97 MacDill AFB 3 (CRO)  
02 Jul 97 - 01 Jul 98 MacDill AFB 2 (Annual) REF

h. Awards & Decs: AFTR, NDSM.

i. Stmt of Sv: TMS: (4) Yrs (0) Mos (11) Das  
TAMS: (3) Yrs (7) Mos (28) Das

4. **BASIS ADVANCED FOR REVIEW:** Appln (DD Fm 293) dtd 3 Feb 04.  
(Change Discharge to Honorable and Change the RE Code.)

Issue 1: I am writing to address the issue of my discharge and ask for a (sic) upgrade to an honorable discharge. I was discharged for alcohol rehabilitation failure. I did finish the 30 day in patient program and when I arrived back to the base I was tempted to drink with all the parties that go on in the dorms. I didn't think I had a problem till I was discharged. I can't go back and fix anything, all I can do is make a living, amends for the damage done, and I deeply apologize. I am grateful for getting the opportunity to serve my country and will never forget what I have learned. I am working now and I have been sober for 14 months and I am ready to go to school and continue my education in radiology. I would like to use my G.I. Bill so I can go to school. Also, I would like to ask if I could be considered for a re-enlistment code change so I can serve my country in the Reserves. I would be extremely grateful and I thank you for your time and consideration.

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None.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

6th AIR REFUELING WING (AMC)  
MACDILL AIR FORCE BASE, FLORIDA

FD 2004-00042

MEMORANDUM FOR SENIOR AIRMAN [REDACTED]

4 JAN 99

FROM: 6 MDSS/CC

SUBJECT: Notification Memorandum

1. I am recommending your discharge from the United States Air Force for failure in the Alcohol Abuse Treatment Program. The authority for this action is AFPD 36-32 and AFI 36-3208, 5.32. If my recommendation is approved, your service will be characterized as honorable or general. I am recommending that your service be characterized as general (under honorable conditions).

2. My reason for this action is as follows:

You did, on or about 1 Dec 98, at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida, fail to satisfactorily complete the Substance Abuse Control Program by disregarding the program's mandated alcohol abstinence policy. This incident was recorded on Standard Form 600, Chronological Record of Medical Care, dated 1 Dec 98 and a Memorandum from [REDACTED] ADAPT Program Manager, dated 9 Dec 98.

3. Copies of the documents to be forwarded to the separation authority in support of this recommendation are attached. The commander exercising Special Court Martial (SPCM) jurisdiction or a higher authority will decide whether you will be discharged or retained in the Air Force. If you are discharged, you will be ineligible for reenlistment in the Air Force.

4. You have the right to consult counsel. Military counsel has been obtained to assist you. I have made an appointment for you to consult [REDACTED] on 4 JAN 99 at 1500. You may consult civilian counsel at your own expense.

5. You have the right to submit statements in your own behalf. Any statements you want the separation authority to consider must reach me by 7 JAN 99 unless you request and receive an extension for good cause shown. I will send them to the separation authority.

6. 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.

7. You have been scheduled for a medical examination. You must report to the 6th Medical Group Hospital - Physical Exams, at 1010 hours on 6 JAN 99

8. Any personal information you furnish in rebuttal is covered by the Privacy Act of 1974. A copy of AFI 36-3208 is available for your use in the Orderly Room.

9. Execute the attached acknowledgment and return it to me immediately.



Attachments:

1. Respondent's Acknowledgment
2. SF Form 600, Chronological Record of Medical Care, dated 1 Dec 98
3. Memorandum, [REDACTED] dated 9 Dec 98
4. 6 MDG Form 56, dated 23 Nov 98