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## AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD DECISIONAL RATIONALE

FD-2005-00013

**GENERAL:** The applicant appeals for upgrade of discharge to honorable, change the reason and authority for the discharge, and 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, change of reason and authority for discharge, and change of reenlistment code are 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 a Letter of Reprimand for wrongfully using marijuana and for obtaining funds from the Air Force Aid Society under false pretenses. The DRB opined that 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 A1C) (HGH A1C)

1. MATTER UNDER REVIEW: Appl rec'd a GEN Disch fr Elmendorf AFB, AK on 6 Jan 98 UP AFI 36-3208, para 5.54 (Pattern of Misconduct - Drug Abuse). Appeals for Honorable Discharge, and to Change the RE code, Reason and Authority for Discharge.

#### 2. BACKGROUND:

- a. DOB: 6 Feb 77. Enlmt Age: 18 5/12. Disch Age: 20 11/12. Educ: HS DIPL. AFQT: N/A. A-43, E-49, G-53, M-13. PAFSC: 4C031 Mental Health Service Apprentice. DAS: 13 Sep 97.
  - b. Prior Sv: (1) AFRes 18 Jul 95 19 Mar 96 (8 months 2 days) (Inactive).

#### 3. SERVICE UNDER REVIEW:

- a. Enlisted as AB 20 Mar 96 for 4 years. Extended 2 Jun 97 for 18 months. Svd: 01 Yrs 09 Mo 18 Das, all AMS.
  - b. Grade Status: A1C 20 Jul 97
     Amn 20 Sep 96
  - c. Time Lost: None.
  - d. Art 15's: None.
  - e. Additional: LOR, 10 NOV 97 Wrongfully use marijuana and obtain funds from AF Aid Society under false pretenses.
  - f. CM: None.
  - g. Record of SV: None.
  - h. Awards & Decs: AFTR.
  - i. Stmt of Sv: TMS: (02) Yrs (05) Mos (19) Das TAMS: (01) Yrs (09) Mos (18) Das
- **4.** BASIS ADVANCED FOR REVIEW: Appln (DD Fm 293) dtd 3 Jan 05. (Change Discharge to Honorable, and Change the RE Code, Reason and Authority for Discharge.)
  - Issue 1: ISSUES ATTACHED TO BRIEF.

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- 1. Applicant's Issues.
- 2. AF Aid Society Letter.
- 3. Outprocessing Checklist.
- 4. Memo for Record.
- 5. Unfavorable Information File Summary.
- 6. Four Certificates of Accomplishment.
- 7. Undergraduate Academic Records.
- 8. Certificate of Achievement.
- 9. Applicant's Documents List.
- 10. Copy of MPRF.

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# DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE PACIFIC AIR FORCES

MEMORANDUM FOR 3 MDOS/CCQ (A1C

NOV 25 1997

FROM: 3 MDOS/CC

SUBJECT: Notification Memorandum

- 1. I am recommending your discharge from the United States Air Force for misconduct based on drug abuse. The authority for this action is AFPD 36-32 and AFI 36-3208, paragraph 5.54. If my recommendation is approved, your service will be characterized as honorable, general, or under other than honorable conditions. I am recommending your service be characterized as general.
- 2. My reasons for this action are:

On or about Sep 97, you did wrongfully use marijuana, as evidenced by a Letter of Reprimand (LOR), dated 10 Nov 97, a Memorandum for Record (MFR), dated 17 Sep 97, two MFRs, dated 16 Sep 97, and an Unfavorable Information File (UIF) entry, dated 14 Nov 97.

- 3. 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 are 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, and any special pay, bonus, or education assistance funds may be subject to recoupment.
- 4. You have the right to consult legal counsel. Military legal counsel has been obtained to assist you. I have made an appointment for you to consult Captage at Bldg 6-920, Rm 330 on 26 Nov 97 at 0900. 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 within three duty days after the date of this letter unless you request and receive an extension for good cause shown. I will forward any statements you provide 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 medical examinations. You must report to the 3rd Aerospace Medicine Squadron, Bldg 24-850 at 0715 on 4 Dec 97 with your medical records and to the Family Practice Clinic at 1400 on 4 Dec 97. You are to fast

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(drink water only) for 14 hours, refrain from alcohol for 72 hours, and refrain from the use of tobacco products for 6 hours, prior to examination. Bring eyeglasses (and contact solution if using contacts) if applicable. You must be in uniform for these examinations.

- 8. You have been scheduled for a Transition Assistance Program briefing. You must report to the Family Support Center at 1445 Kon on 28 Nov 97. You have also been scheduled for a TMO Household Goods Shipment preprocessing briefing. You must report to Bldg 2-900 (People Center), Rm 247 at 1400 on 26 Nov 97. You must be in uniform for all appointments.
- 9. 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 at your Squadron Orderly Room.
- 10. The discharge authority will make the findings and recommendations required under 10 U.S.C. 2005(g).

Colonel, USAF, MC, FS Commander

Attachment: LOR, 10 Nov 97