

**AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD HEARING RECORD**

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COUNSEL	NAME OF COUNSEL AND OR ORGANIZATION	ADDRESS AND OR ORGANIZATION OF COUNSEL
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APPLICANT'S ISSUE AND THE BOARD'S DECISIONAL RATIONAL ARE DISCUSSED ON THE ATTACHED AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD DECISIONAL RATIONALE

Case heard in Washington, D.C.

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

Names and votes will be made available to the applicant at the applicant's request.

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INDORSEMENT	DATE: 9/25/2006
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-2006-00023**

**GENERAL:** The applicant appeals for upgrade of discharge to honorable.

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 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:**

Issue 1. Applicant contends her ability to serve was impaired by psychiatric problems which were severe while in the military. As a result, her depression led to alcohol abuse problems. The records indicated the applicant received an Article 15 and a Letter of Reprimand for misconduct. The Letter of Reprimand and Article 15 were for underage drinking. She was disciplined with a reduction in grade to airman, suspended forfeiture of pay, and 30 days extra duty (excess of 15 days was suspended). The records also indicated the applicant had abused drugs while in the service and was entered into the Intensive Outpatient Treatment Program at Ogden Regional Medical Hospital. After receiving treatment for almost 60 days, the applicant refused to continue in her treatment and was informed her decision may result in an administrative discharge. 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.

Issue 2. The DRB was pleased to see that the applicant was doing well and continuing her education. However, no inequity or impropriety in her discharge was suggested or found in the course of the hearing. The Board concluded the misconduct of the applicant appropriately characterized her term of service.

**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 AMN) (HGH A1C)

1. **MATTER UNDER REVIEW:** Appl rec'd a GEN Disch fr USAF Hill AFB, UT on 3 Jun 05 UP AFI 36-3208, para 5.32.1.2.1 (Alcohol Rehabilitation Failure). Appeals for Honorable Discharge.

2. **BACKGROUND:**

a. DOB: 3 Sep 85. Enlmt Age: 17 1/12. Disch Age: 19 4/12. Educ: HS DIPL. AFQT: N/A. A-71, E-58, G-74, M-63. PAFSC: 3E531 - Engineering Apprentice. DAS: 01 Dec 03.

b. Prior Sv: (1) AFRes 31 Oct 02 - 23 Jun 03 (7 months 24 days) (Inactive).

3. **SERVICE UNDER REVIEW:**

a. Enlisted as AB 24 Jun 03 for 4 yrs. Svd: 01 Yrs 11 Mo 10 Das, all AMS.

b. Grade Status: Amn - 25 Feb 05 (Article 15, 25 Feb 05)  
A1C - 25 Oct 04  
Amn - 25 Dec 03

c. Time Lost: None.

d. Art 15's: (1) 25 Feb 05, Hill AFB, UT - Article 92. You, who knew of your duties, on or about 5 Feb 05, were derelict in the performance of those duties in that you willfully failed to refrain from consuming alcoholic beverages under the legal drinking age of 21 years, as it was your duty to do. Reduction to Airman. Suspended forfeiture of \$692.00 pay per month for 2 months. Thirty days extra duty (in excess of 15 days suspended). (No appeal) (No mitigation)

e. Additional: LOR, 15 NOV 04 - Drinking alcoholic beverages underage.

f. CM: None.

g. Record of SV: 24 Jun 03 - 23 Feb 05 Hill AFB 4 (Initial)

h. Awards & Decs: NDSM, AFTR, GWOTSM.

i. Stmt of Sv: TMS: (02) Yrs (07) Mos (04) Das  
TAMS: (01) Yrs (11) Mos (10) Das

4. **BASIS ADVANCED FOR REVIEW:** Appln (DD Fm 293) dtd 06 Jan 06.

(Change Discharge to Honorable)

Issue 1: My ability to serve was impaired by psychiatric problems, which were severe while in the military. My depression led to my drinking. The military sent me to an AA program to try and help. And I'm sure that sort of thing does help a lot of people. I am different though. I never embraced the "group" idea. Through self discovery I have learned the way for me to recover was on my own. I have found hapiness (sic) within myself through prayer, and improving my self worth. Once I allowed myself to discover God, and find hapiness (sic) - the drinking ceased.

**ATCH**

1. Medical Documents.
2. College Acceptance Letter.
3. Character Reference.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
775th CIVIL ENGINEER SQUADRON  
HILL AFB, UT, UTAH

MEMORANDUM FOR AMN: [redacted]

APR 25 2005

FROM: 775 CES/CC

SUBJECT: Notification Memorandum

1. I am recommending your discharge from the United States Air Force for Substance Abuse Treatment Failure: Failure in Alcohol Abuse Treatment due to refusal to participate in the program. The authority for this action is AFD 36-32 and AFI 36-3208, paragraph 5.32.1.2.1. If my recommendation is approved, your service will be characterized as an Honorable Discharge.

2. My reason for this action is: On or about 30 March 2005, you received notice of your ADAPT program failure. (Atch 1a)

3. Other derogatory data meriting consideration:

a. On or about 5 February 2005, you failed to refrain from consuming alcoholic beverages while under the legal drinking age of 21 years. For this misconduct, you received nonjudicial punishment dated 25 Feb 2005, resulting in your reduction to Airman, suspended forfeiture of \$692.00 pay per month for 2 months, and 30 days extra duty, of which 15 were suspended. (Atch 1b)

b. On or about 6 November 2004, you consumed an alcoholic beverage while under the legal drinking age of 21 years old. For this misconduct, you received an LOR, dated 15 Nov 04. (Atch 1c)

4. Copies of the documents to be forwarded to the separation authority in support of this recommendation are attached. The commander exercising SPCM jurisdiction or higher authority will decide whether you will be discharged or retained in the United States Air Force. 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. The separation authority will make the findings and recommendations required under 10 U.S.C. Section 2005(g).

5. 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 Captain [redacted] at 6035 Dogwood Ave Bldg 1267, on 26 Apr 05, at 0900 hours. You may consult civilian counsel at your own expense.

6. You have the right to submit statements in your own behalf. Any statements you want the separation authority to consider must reach me by 29 Apr 05 unless you request and receive an extension for good cause shown. I will send them to the separation authority.

7. 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.

8. You have been scheduled for a medical examination. You must report to Hill AFB Clinic, 7321 11th Street, Bldg 570 on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ hours for the examination.

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 orderly room.

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



775 CES/CC

**Attachments:**

1. Supporting Documents
2. Receipt of Notification Memorandum