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AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD DECISIONAL RATIONALE

FD-2006-00358

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:

Applicant contends discharge was inequitable because it was too harsh. Applicant admits he made a mistake. He contends that his commander had told him that he would be retrained. Upon returning from confinement, he finished out his sentence by serving base restriction. While he was waiting for his paperwork to be processed, his commander was reassigned. The new commander was not aware of the retraining package and processed the applicant for an administrative discharge. The records indicated the applicant received a Special Court Martial for wrongfully drawing his firearm when the lawful use of deadly force was not necessary, and failure to maintain attention, alertness, and vigilance as a sentinel. He was sentenced to a reduction in grade to Airman Basic, confinement for 30 days, and restriction to base for 30 days. The DRB reviewed the applicant's entire record and found no evidence of an impropriety or inequity. The Board concluded the applicant's 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 AB) (HGH AMN)

1. MATTER UNDER REVIEW: Appl rec'd a GEN Disch fr USAF Tinker AFB, OK on 22 Dec 04 UP AFI 36-3208, para 5.52.3 (Commission of a Serious Offense). Appeals for Honorable Discharge.

2. BACKGROUND:

- a. DOB: 6 Jun 83. Enlmt Age: 18 0/12. Disch Age: 21 6/12. Educ: HS DIPL. AFQT: N/A. A-61, E-49, G-59, M-56. PAFSC: 3P031 Security Forces Apprentice. DAS: 14 May 02.
 - b. Prior Sv: (1) AFRes 26 Jun 01 26 Nov 01 (5 months 1 day) (Inactive).

3. SERVICE UNDER REVIEW:

- a. Enlisted as AB 27 Nov 01 for 6 days. Svd: 03 Yrs 00 Mo 26 Das, of which AMS is 02 Yrs 11 Months 26 Days (excludes 30 days lost time).
 - b. Grade Status: Amn 30 Jul 04
 AB 16 Dec 03 (SPCMO No.4, 16 Jan 04)
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 - c. Time Lost: 27 Dec 03 thru 27 Jan 04 (30 days).
 - d. Art 15's: None.
 - e. Additional: None.
 - f. CM: Special Court Martial No.4 16 Jan 04

CHARGE I: Article 92. Plea: Guilty. Finding: Guilty.

Specification: Did, at or near Tinker AFB, Oklahoma, on or about 9 May 03, violate a lawful general regulation, to wit: paragraph 2.12, AFI 31-207, dated 1 Sep 99, by wrongfully drawing his firearm when the lawful use of deadly force was not necessary. Plea: Guilty. Finding: Guilty.

CHARGE II: Article 92. Plea: Guilty. Finding: Guilty.

Specification: Did, at or near Tinker AFB, Oklahoma, who knew of his duties, on or about 9 May 03, was derelict in the performance of those duties in that he willfully failed to maintain attention, alertness, and vigilance as a sentinel, as it was his duty to do. Plea: Guilty. Finding: Guilty. Sentence adjudged by military judge on 16 Dec 03: Confinement for 30 days,

restriction to the limits of Tinker AFB, Oklahoma for 30 days, and reduction to AB.

- g. Record of SV: 28 Nov 01 27 Jul 03 Tinker AFB 5 (Initial)
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- h. Awards & Decs: NDSM, AFTR.
- i. Stmt of Sv: TMS: (03) Yrs (04) Mos (27) Das TAMS: (02) Yrs (11) Mos (26) Das
- 4. BASIS ADVANCED FOR REVIEW: Appln (DD Fm 293) dtd 05 Sep 06. (Change Discharge to Honorable)

ISSUES ATTACHED TO BRIEF.

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- 1. Applicant's Issues.
- 2. DD Form 214.
- 3. Twenty Exhibits.

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Memorandum F	r: Discharge Review Board (DRB)	
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Subject: Dischar	e Ungrade	

I received an Administrative Discharge (General-Under Honorable Conditions) on 22 December 2004 from the United States Air Force. I was stationed at Tinker AFB, OK with the 72nd SFS/SFOB and my AFSC was 3PO51. I am asking that you review my discharge and hope that you will see it fit for an upgrade. I feel as though I was done wrong by the decisions of some and hope I can at least come out in the end with an honorable discharge on my record.

I would like to start by saying I messed up, I admitted it then and I'll admit it now, and there's nothing I can do or say to change it. The incident that occurred that got me where I'm at today occurred while me and two fellow co-workers were working together at an Installation Gate on a late shift. And basically what it boils down to is traffic was few and far between that night so we had a lot of down time and began getting bored. This led to some horseplay starting up and a video camera was present. Well Amn Bishop was recording what was going on with his video camera and he started quickdrawing his 9mm and things to that nature. And briefly stating during the course of the night I had my 9mm pointed in Spc. general direction and had my genitilia exposed during that shift. The videotape of that night later surfaced during an investigation into Amn When this occurred Spc. and I were removed from flight. This incident occurred on May 09, 2003 and it was shortly after that when we were relieved from duty and an investigation started.

While relieved of duty I was placed on the ROD Squad in which are duties were cleaning up around the squadron, picking up trash around base, cleaning the dorms, etc... It was basically your weeds and seeds detail. I remained on this detail for over seven months before a decision was made on

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the investigation. They decided to send me to a special court-martial. My court-martial took place on December 16, 2003. I pleaded guilty and was found guilty of two violations of Article 92. The results from the court-martial were: Reduction to E-1 (AB), 30 days of confinement, and 30 days base restriction. I was not to receive a discharge from the courts; after my sentence was served I was to return to be given a second chance. When I was talking with the judge after the trial he wished me luck in overcoming this ordeal and told me that if the prosecution wouldn't have been pressing so hard for jail time the he wouldn't have given me any in my sentence because he personally didn't see it fit. My sentence was deferred until December 27, 2003 after the Christmas holiday.

After returning on January 21, 2004 from serving my confinement part of my sentence, I finished out my sentence by serving my base restriction. After returning I was placed back on the ROD Squad to await a decision from the Commander to return to flight or re-train. After about a month the Commander called me into his office and informed me of his decision to let me re-train into another career field. During this I came up for an EPR and was given extremely poor marks by my supervisor. He told me that he had written up a different one that was rejected by his superiors for being too high of marks and should be lower because of my court-martial. I found this very sickening that because of my court-martial I should have low marks and not measured by my actual performance during this time.

During this time I was given the responsibility of being in charge of the ROD Squad. This entitled me with the duties of making sure everyone showed up on time, making sure they all went to their detail, and finished the work that they needed to get done. During this time I reported to the First Shirt to receive my orders. I was waiting patiently to await my orders to retrain and occasionally mentioned something about it to the First Shirt to see what kind of progress has been made. The First Shirt told me that my package had already been sent in and that they were just waiting to receive word back on it. I then was given the detail of working at our CATM Shop because the firing range was in bad need of repair. So I assisted with this project and after it was completed I remained at the CATM Shop assisting where they needed me while still looking after the other ROD members. I found this kind of odd that if I couldn't arm back up and go to work then why would I be working at the CATM Shop where I was in the presence weapons all day long. Well during this time our current Commander received different orders and was reassigned elsewhere.

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When the new Commander arrived he was informed of my situation and to my knowledge wasn't going to change the decision made by the last Commander. Another month or so had passed by and I still hadn't heard anything on my package so I mentioned something about it to the First Shirt. He informed me that the package had been sent back for corrections and that they would correct everything and re-send it. The First Shirt received orders for overseas shortly after this and a replacement or temporary was selected. I went and talked with the new Shirt about my situation and my re-train. She informed me that she was not aware of my re-train and that she would look into it for me. After she looked into it she informed me that she couldn't find anything on my re-train and that the Commander was unaware of this also. After I received this news I went down to the Personnel Office and asked them if anything had ever been sent in on my behalf about a re-train. The Personnel Office the informed me that they had never received a re-train package or anything else on my behalf and that they were sorry they couldn't help.

I then had a meeting with the Commander to discuss my situation and he told me that he was unaware that I was supposed to re-train and said that as long as I didn't have any documentation from the old Commander or the First Shirt stating that they were going to let me re-train then he would have to overlook my case and make an appropriate decision on my outcome. After a good amount of time had passed he called me back into his office and informed me of his decision not to let me re-train and was instead going to initiate an administrative discharge. When I was informed of this decision I felt like I had been cheated because I was promised one thing but received something totally the opposite. I felt like I was led on when I was told that a package had been put together and was sent off and after a little checking found that that this was not true. I feel as though if the judge could see me fit for a second chance and my previous Commander was going to give me a second chance, why is it that this Commander didn't see me fit for a second chance.

Up to this incident I had never been in any trouble or even received any bad remarks, LOC's, or LOR's. I had done a lot of volunteer work for the squadron and the base devoting a lot of my free time when it wasn't necessary to. Even after this incident I devoted a lot of my spare time towards the squadron helping out with numerous events and charities. I made one mistake and had to pay dearly for it, given this was not just a little mistake but instead a pretty severe one if there was so many people that thought I

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- 6. You have been scheduled for a medical examination. You must report to Family Practice, Tinker AFB Hospital on 10 Dec 2004, at 1110 hours for the examination.
- 7. 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.

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