

**AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD HEARING RECORD**

<b>NAME OF SERVICE MEMBER (LAST, FIRST MIDDLE INITIAL)</b>	<b>GRADE</b>	<b>AFSN/SSAN</b>
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<b>TYPE</b>	<b>GEN</b>	<b>PERSONAL APPEARANCE</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>RECORD REVIEW</b>
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<b>COUNSEL</b>	<b>NAME OF COUNSEL AND OR ORGANIZATION</b>	<b>ADDRESS AND OR ORGANIZATION OF COUNSEL</b>
<b>YES</b>	<b>No</b>	
	<b>X</b>	

<b>MEMBER SITTING</b>	<b>VOTE OF THE BOARD</b>				
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<b>ISSUES</b> A93.01 A94.05	<b>INDEX NUMBER</b> A67.90	<b>EXHIBITS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD</b>
		1 ORDER APPOINTING THE BOARD
		2 APPLICATION FOR REVIEW OF DISCHARGE
		3 LETTER OF NOTIFICATION
		4 BRIEF OF PERSONNEL FILE
		COUNSEL'S RELEASE TO THE BOARD
		ADDITIONAL EXHIBITS SUBMITTED AT TIME OF PERSONAL APPEARANCE
		TAPE RECORDING OF PERSONAL APPEARANCE HEARING

<b>HEARING DATE</b> 25 Jun 2009	<b>CASE NUMBER</b> FD-2008-00228	
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**APPLICANT'S ISSUE AND THE BOARD'S DECISIONAL RATIONALE 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.

\*Reason and Authority  
+Reenlistment Code

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<b>ENDORSEMENT</b>		<b>DATE:</b> 6/30/2009
<b>TO:</b> SAF/MRBR 550 C STREET WEST, SUITE 40 RANDOLPH AFB, TX 78150-4742	<b>FROM:</b> SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE PERSONNEL COUNCIL AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD 1535 COMMAND DR, EE WING, 3RD FLOOR ANDREWS AFB, MD 20762-7001	

**AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD DECISIONAL RATIONALE**

CASE NUMBER

**FD-2008-00228**

**GENERAL:** The applicant appeals for upgrade of discharge to honorable, to change the reason and authority for the discharge, 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, 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:**

Although not explicitly stated, applicant contends his discharge was inequitable because it was too harsh. He admits that he was immature and has expressed a desire to have his discharge upgraded so that he may be eligible to reenlist into the armed forces. The Board reviewed the entire record and found no evidence of impropriety or inequity in this case on which to base an upgrade of discharge. The records indicated the applicant received an Article 15, five Letters of Reprimand, two Letters of Counseling, and a Record of Individual Counseling for misconduct. The applicant was administratively disciplined for failure to report to duty on time (seven times) and for failure to refrain from using his Government Travel Card for unauthorized purchases. The DRB opined that through these administrative actions, the applicant had ample opportunities to change his negative behavior. The Board concluded that the negative aspects of the applicant's service outweighed the positive contributions he made in his Air Force career. 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