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AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD DECISIONAL RATIONALE

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

The applicant was offered a personal appearance before the Discharge Review Board (DRB) and elected to exercise this right. However, the case was tendered before the personal appearance hearing date. A tender consideration is the process of reviewing a projected personal appearance case to determine if the board would grant the requested relief based on the evidence in the service record and a possible impropriety found in the administrative discharge.

After a review of the record, the Board unanimously voted to grant the relief of the requested upgrade as discussed below.

FINDINGS: The Board grants the requested relief.

The Board finds evidence in the record to substantiate an inequity that would justify a change in the discharge. Therefore, for the reasons specified below, the Board grants the upgrade of the applicant's discharge and the change to the reenlistment code to 3K.

ISSUE: The applicant contends discharge was inequitable based on the failure by command to properly administer her CDC training.

Applicant contends discharge was inequitable because it was too harsh. The records the Board had indicated the command had not taken any administrative action, such as a letter of reprimand, or adverse action such as non-judicial punishment under Article 15. The records further indicated that the applicant was issued two CDC tests within a two week period and the Board noted the applicant's statement that her trainer failed at least one CDC test while training the applicant. The Board found that based on the above, that in this case, a General Discharge was too harsh for merely failing to progress. Thus, the characterization of the discharge received by the applicant and the RE code were found to be inappropriate.

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 the applicant provided full administrative due process.

However, in view of the foregoing findings, the Board concludes that the overall quality of applicant's service is more accurately reflected by an Honorable discharge and the reenlistment code changed to 3K under the provisions of Title 10, USC 1553.

Attachment: Examiner's Brief