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AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD DECISIONAL RATIONALE

CASE NUMBER

FD-2010-00420

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 and requests that the review be completed based on the available service record.

The attached brief contains available pertinent data on the applicant and the factors leading to the discharge.

FINDING: The Board denies the upgrade of the discharge.

ISSUE: Applicant received a General discharge for A pattern of Misconduct – Conduct Prejudicial to Good Order and Discipline

Applicant contends discharge was inequitable because it was too harsh. She states she was going through some extreme personal problems that contributed to her misconduct. Additionally, she contends that she has been diagnosed with schizoaffective disorder and major depression and feels that these mental disorders explain her actions. The records indicated the applicant received one Article 15, two Letters of Reprimand, and five Records of Individual Counseling. Her misconduct included failed to account for tools in composite tool kit, failed to go to duty on time (4x), failed to document aircraft maintenance was performed, failed to follow technical orders, and failed to secure classified material. The Board found that the applicant's contention pertaining to her mental disorders had no merit. After a thorough and complete review of her medical records, the Board was unable to find any evidence to support this contention, nor did the applicant provide any supporting documentation. The DRB opined that through these administrative actions, the applicant had ample opportunities to change her negative behavior. The Board concluded that the negative aspects of the applicant's service outweighed the positive contributions she made in her Air Force career. The characterization of the discharge received by the applicant was found to be appropriate.

The Board highly recommends that if the applicant can provide additional documented information to substantiate her issue(s), that she should consider exercising her right to make a personal appearance before the Board. If the applicant chooses to exercise this right, she should be prepared to provide the DRB with factual evidence of the inequity/impropriety and any exemplary post-service accomplishments as well as any contributions to the community.

CONCLUSION: 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 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 and determines the discharge should remain unchanged.

Attachment:
Examiner's Brief