DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

Application for the Correction of the Coast Guard Record of:

FINAL DECISION BCMR Docket No. 2011-010

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SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

The applicant asked the Board to correct his record to show that his sea duty and sea pay continued from July 21, 2010, to August 3, 2010. He alleged that during this period, his sea pay was stopped because on July 21, 2010, someone made an erroneous entry in the Direct Access database indicating that he had been transferred from the CGC BUCKTHORN to a shore unit. Although his command reversed the error on August 3, 2010, his record continues to show a break in sea service. The applicant submitted print-outs from Direct Access showing that he was transferred from his cutter to a shore unit on July 22, 2010, and transferred back to his cutter on August 3, 2010, and that, because of those transfers, his sea pay was temporarily stopped and \$292.50 was deducted from his pay.

The Coast Guard recommended that the Board grant relief because the Executive Petty Officer of the cutter has confirmed that the applicant "was subject to an erroneous reassignment from his cutter billet to a shore based billet and then back to his cutter billet."

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The applicant has proved by a preponderance of the evidence that as a result of an administrative error, his record erroneously reflects that he was assigned to a shore unit from July 21 to August 3, 2010, when in fact he remained assigned to the BUCKTHORN, and that as a result of this error, he sea pay was erroneously stopped and deducted from his pay. Therefore, relief should be granted.

ORDER

The military record of xxxxxxxxxxx, USCG, shall be corrected to show that he remained assigned to the CGC BUCKTHORN throughout July and August 2010 and that he was entitled to credit for sea service and sea pay for that entire period. The Coast Guard shall pay him any amount due as a result of these corrections.

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