DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

Application for the Correction of the Coast Guard Record of:

FINAL DECISION BCMR Docket No. 2001-053

SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

ANDREWS, Attorney-Advisor:

The applicant asked the Board to correct his record to show that he reenlisted for 6 years on September 27, 2000, his 10th anniversary on active duty. He alleged that he was never counseled, as required by COMDTINST 7220.33, that he could reenlist on that day to receive a Zone B selective reenlistment bonus (SRB) under ALDIST 218/00. He submitted a signed statement from his commanding officer supporting his allegation, and there is no documentation of 10th anniversary SRB counseling in his record. Under ALDIST 218/00, members in the FS rating in Zone B could reenlist to receive an SRB with a multiple of 1. On February 12, 2001, the applicant was required to extend his enlistment for 14 months to obligate sufficient service to accept transfer orders.

On July 3, 2000, the Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard recommended that the Board correct the applicant's record to show that he reenlisted for 6 years on September 27, 2000.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Under COMDTINST 7220.33, the applicant was entitled to proper counseling concerning his eligibility for an SRB on his 10th active duty anniversary. The record indicates that the Coast Guard failed to counsel him, and he therefore failed to receive an SRB. If the applicant had been properly counseled, he would have reenlisted for 6 years on September 27, 2000, to receive the SRB, and he would not have had to extend his enlistment for 14 months on February 12, 2001, to accept his transfer orders. Accordingly, relief should be granted.

ORDER

The military record of XXXXXXX, USCG, shall be corrected to show that he reenlisted for 6 years on his 10th active duty anniversary, September 27, 2000, to receive a Zone B SRB under ALDIST 218/00. The extension contract dated February 12, 2001, shall be null and void. The Coast Guard shall pay him the amount due as a result of this correction.

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Date: <u>August 9, 2001</u>

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