DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

Application for the Correction of the Coast Guard Record of:

FINAL DECISION BCMR Docket No. 2002-020

SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

ANDREWS, Deputy Chair:

The applicant asked the Board to correct his record to show that he reenlisted for 6 years after October 1, 2001, instead of on September 10, 2001. He alleged that he was told that, under ALCOAST 127/01, a selective reenlistment bonus (SRB) would go into effect for his rating on October 1, 2001. Because his enlistment was ending on November 2, 2001, he intended to reenlist after October 1st to receive the SRB. However, in September, his ship was deployed for an extended period, and he was asked to reenlist early to facilitate the paperwork. The 6-year reenlistment contract he signed on September 10, 2001, shows that he was promised the SRB even though it would not go into effect until October 1, 2001.

On May 22, 2002, the Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard recommended that the Board grant the applicant's request because the record supports his allegations.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Under COMDTINST 7220.33 and ALCOAST 127/01, the applicant was eligible and entitled to reenlist for an SRB at the end of his enlistment on November 2, 2001. He has proved that he intended to reenlist to receive the SRB and was promised the SRB even though he was asked to reenlist before it went into effect. The Board finds that the date of the applicant's enlistment is unjust and should be corrected so that he will receive the SRB.

ORDER

July 18, 2002	
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