

**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. 2003-017**

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SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

The applicant asked the Board to correct his record to show that he reenlisted for 6 years on his 10th anniversary on active duty, June 18, 2001. He alleged that prior to that day, he was told that he could reenlist for a selective reenlistment bonus (SRB), and he submitted a Career Intentions Worksheet indicating that he wanted to reenlist. He alleged that he was also told that he could wait a few months to reenlist for a higher SRB multiple. However, because he was assigned to the Atlantic Strike Team, he was deployed to various sites after September 11, 2001, and the anthrax contamination in October 2001, and was unable to reenlist. There is no documentation of proper SRB counseling in the applicant's record. Under ALCOAST 127/01, issued on March 27, 2001, the multiple for the applicant's rating was 0.5 from May 1 to September 30, 2001, and 2 as of October 1, 2001. Under ALCOAST 198/01, members whose 6th or 10th anniversaries fell between May 1 and September 30, 2001, were permitted to reenlist in October 2001, to receive an SRB as if their actual anniversary had been in October 2001.

The Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard recommended that the Board grant relief by reenlisting the applicant on his 10th active duty anniversary for 6 years.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Under COMDTINST 7220.33, members are entitled to SRB counseling prior to their 10th anniversaries on active duty. The Board finds that the preponderance of the evidence in the record indicates that the applicant was not properly counseled. The Board also finds that, if he had been counseled, he likely would have taken advantage of the provisions of ALCOAST 127/01 and 198/01 by reenlisting for 6 years on October 31, 2001, to receive a 10th anniversary Zone B SRB. Accordingly, relief should be granted.

ORDER

The military record of xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, USCG, shall be corrected to show that he reenlisted for 6 years on October 31, 2001, to receive a Zone B SRB with a multiple of 2 in accordance with the special provisions of ALCOASTs 198/01 and 127/01. The Coast Guard shall pay him the amount due as a result of this correction.

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