

**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. 2003-072**

XXXXXX, Xxxxxx X.
xxx xx xxxx, XXX

SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

The applicant asked that his record be corrected by removing an administrative remarks entry (page 7), dated June 13, 2002, and showing that he reenlisted to obtain a Zone B selective reenlistment bonus (SRB) pursuant to ALCOAST 585/01, which went into effect on February 1, 2002. He alleged that he was advised that, in accordance with ALCOAST 585/01, he was ineligible to receive a Zone B SRB because he had not qualified as a boats coxswain on or before June 13, 2002. The applicant's record contains a page 7 entry which states that he is ineligible for an SRB under ALCOAST 585/01 but that his eligibility would change if he qualified as a boats coxswain on a standard boat.

On September 10, 2003, the Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard stated that although the record indicates that the applicant was a qualified boats coxswain and the page 7 entry was issued in error, granting the requested relief would not provide the applicant with an opportunity to obtain a Zone B SRB. He recommended that the Board grant alternative relief by correcting the applicant's record to show that in accordance with ALCOAST 127/01, he reenlisted for six years on December 2, 2001, his 10th anniversary, for an SRB with a multiple of XX plus 0.5 for his qualification as a boats coxswain.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Under COMDTINST 7220.33, the applicant was entitled to proper counseling concerning his eligibility for an SRB. The applicant's requested relief fails to afford him eligibility for a Zone B SRB under ALCOAST 585/01 because his eligibility ended on his 10th anniversary. However, the record indicates that with proper counseling, the applicant could have reenlisted on his 10th anniversary on active duty for an SRB. There is no documentation of 10th anniversary SRB counseling in the applicant's record. Accordingly, relief should be granted by removing the erroneous page 7 entry, dated June 13, 2002, from the applicant's record and by offering him the opportunity to reenlist for 3, 4, 5, or 6 years, at his discretion, on December 2, 2001, his 10th active duty anniversary for a Zone B SRB pursuant to ALCOAST 127/01.

ORDER

The military record of XXX Xxxxxx X. Xxxxxxx, xxx xx xxxx, USCG, shall be corrected to show that he reenlisted on December 2, 2001 for 3, 4, 5, or 6 years, at his option, to receive the Zone B SRB calculated with a multiple of XX and one-half in effect for XXXs with boats coxswain qualification under ALCOAST 127/01. The Coast Guard shall pay him any amount due as a result of this correction.

January 16, 2004

Date

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