



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
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Office of the Assistant Secretary

AFBCMR 98-01013

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF

Under the authority of Section 1552, Title 10, United States Code, Air Force Instruction **36-2603**, and having assured compliance with the provisions of the above regulation, the decision of the Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records is announced, and it is directed that:

The pertinent military records of the Department of the Air Force relating to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] be corrected to show that on **13 January 1998**, he was discharged under the provisions of AFI **36-3208** (Secretarial Authority), with a Separation Program Designator of "KFF".

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Raymond H. Weller".

RAYMOND H. WELLER
Chief Examiner
Air Force Board for Correction
of Military Records



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MEMORANDUM OF CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION BEFORE THE AFBCMR

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

Having carefully reviewed this application, we agree with the recommendation of the Air Force and adopt the rationale expressed as the basis for our decision that the applicant has been the victim of either an error or an injustice. Therefore, under the authority delegated in AFI 36-2603, the applicant's records will be corrected as set forth in the accompanying Memorandum for the Chief of Staff signed by the Executive Director of the Board or his designee.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bob Stuart".

Panel Chair

Attachments

1. Ltr, BCOMR Medical Consultant, dtd 8 Jul 98
2. Ltr, AFPC/DPPRS, dtd 12 Aug 98

8 July 1998
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MEMORANDUM FOR AFBCMR

FROM: BCMR Medical Consultant
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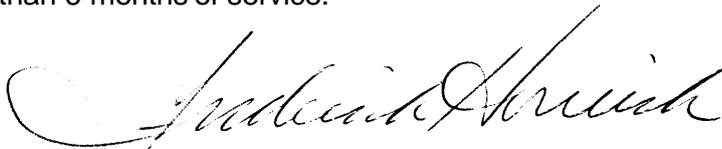
SUBJECT: Application for Correction of Military Records


REQUESTED ACTION: The applicant received an entry level separation on 13 Jan 1998 after just 1 month and 4 days in basic training. He applies now to change the reason for discharge "from personality disorder" to "secretarial authority."

FACTS: Early in basic military training the applicant was evaluated by the mental health section of Wilford Hall Medical Center with a resulting diagnosis of "Attention Deficit Disorder, EPTC, DSM-IV Code 314.00." The condition is noted on the letter of notification to the applicant that he was being recommended for separation under provisions of AFI 36-3208, paragraph 5.1.1.1, Mental Disorders. Because he had less than 6 months on active duty, an entry level separation was initiated.

DISCUSSION: The current AFI regulating separations for mental health problems does not allow coding for other than "Personality Disorder," an entirely different DSM-IV code sequence from which the applicant was diagnosed. It is not proper to apply an erroneous label to an individual because of a recognized administrative shortfall as occurred in this case. However, the timing of the applicant's separation within 6 months of entry requires an uncharacterized entry level separation which applies regardless of the reason for separation.

RECOMMENDATION: The BCMR Medical Consultant is of the opinion that, in order to correct an injustice of improperly labeling the applicant's disorder, the applicant's request for change of reason for discharge be granted. Item 28 of the DD Form 214 should be changed to read: Secretarial Authority, the corresponding SPD being KFF, IAW AFI 36-3208, paragraph 1.2. The reentry code should remain unchanged as it reflects the mandatory uncharacterized entry level separation for less than 6 months of service.



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MEMORANDUM FOR AFBCMR

FROM: HQ AFPC/DPPRS
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SUBJECT: Application for Correction of Military Records [REDACTED]

The applicant, while serving in the grade of airman basic, was separated from the Air Force 13 Jan 98 under the provisions of AFI 36-3208 (Entry level Separation/Personality Disorder) with an uncharacterized discharge. He served 01 month 14 days total active service.

Requested Action. The applicant is requesting **his** reason for separation be changed from personality disorder. The advisory provided by the AFBCMR Medical Consultant, 08 Jul 98 gives information concerning applicant's medical condition at the time of his separation. The AFBCMR Medical Consultant also recommends applicant's narrative reason for separation be change since his medical condition was not a personality disorder.

Recommendation. We concur with the AFBCMR Medical Consultant's recommendation that his narrative reason for separation should be changed to "Secretarial Authority" with a SPD of "KFF." We also concur with the recommendation of no change in applicant's reentry code or characterization of service since he did not complete 180 days continuous active service. He has filed a timely request.

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Directorate of Personnel Program Management

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