

AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD DECISIONAL DOCUMENT

SUMMARY:

The applicant was discharged on 06 May 2022 in accordance with AFI 36-3208 with a “General” Discharge after “Misconduct (Drug Abuse).” The applicant appealed for an upgrade of her discharge characterization, a change to the discharge narrative reason, and a change to the reenlistment eligibility (RE)code.

The applicant was not represented by counsel.

The applicant requested the board be completed based on a records only review. The Board was conducted on 16 March 2023.

The attached examiner’s brief (provided to applicant only), extracted from available service records, contains pertinent data regarding the circumstances and character of the applicant’s military service.

DISCUSSION: The Air Force Discharge Review Board (AFDRB), under its responsibility to examine the propriety and equity of an applicant’s discharge, is authorized to change the characterization of service and the narrative reason for discharge if such changes are warranted. If applicable, the board can also change the applicant’s reenlistment eligibility code. In reviewing discharges, the board presumes regularity in the conduct of governmental affairs unless there is substantial credible evidence to rebut the presumption, to include evidence submitted by the applicant. The Board completed a thorough review of the circumstances that led to the discharge and the discharge process to determine if the discharge met the pertinent standards of equity and propriety.

The applicant’s record of service included multiple Article 15s. Her misconduct included wrongful use of marijuana and having an unprofessional relationship with an SNCO. She also consumed alcohol under the legal drinking age of 21 years old.

The applicant requested a characterization change to “Honorable” to obtain her G.I. Bill, further her education, and transfer the remaining balance to her children.

The Board reviewed the applicant’s entire service record and found no evidence of impropriety or inequity to warrant any changes to the discharge.

FINDING: The AFDRB voted unanimously to *deny* the applicant’s request to upgrade her discharge characterization to “Honorable,” to change the discharge narrative reason to “Secretarial Authority,” and to change the reenlistment eligibility code to “2C” or “3K.”

CONCLUSION: After a thorough review of the available evidence, to include the Applicant’s issues, summary of service, service/medical record entries, and discharge process, the Board found the discharge was proper and equitable. Therefore, the awarded characterization of service shall remain “General,” the narrative reason for separation shall remain “Misconduct(Drug Abuse),” and the reenry code shall remain “2B.” The AFDRB results were approved by the board president on 13 April 2023. If desired, the applicant can request a list of the board members and their votes by writing to:

Air Force Review Boards Agency
Attn: Discharge Review Board
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Joint Base Andrews, NAF Washington, MD 20762-6602

Instructions on how to appeal an AFDRB decision can be found at
<https://afrbportal.azurewebsites.us>

Attachment:
Examiner's Brief (Applicant Only)