

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS**

Application for the Correction of
the Coast Guard Record of:

**FINAL DECISION
BCMR Docket No. 2001-038**

SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

ANDREWS, Attorney-Advisor:

The applicant asked the Board to correct his record to show that he reenlisted for 6 years, instead of 3 years, on September 11, 2000. He alleged that he was erroneously counseled that he could reenlist for only 3 years. He alleged that because of the erroneous advice, he did not receive a Zone B selective reenlistment bonus (SRB) for which he was eligible since he had previously obligated service through August 15, 2003. The applicant submitted signed statements from his commanding officer and his unit's yeoman supporting his allegation. His record contains an administrative entry that documents the erroneous advice he received.

On June 13, 2001, the Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard recommended that the Board grant relief by correcting the applicant's reenlistment contract to reflect a term of 6 years.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Under COMDTINST 7220.33, the applicant was entitled to proper counseling about his eligibility for an SRB. His command erroneously advised him that he could reenlist for only 3 years when, in fact, he was eligible to reenlist for 6 years and receive an SRB with a multiple of 3 under ALCOAST 218/00. If he had been properly counseled, he would have reenlisted for 6 years on September 11, 2000, to receive the SRB. Accordingly, his request should be granted.

ORDER

The military record of XXXXXXXXXXXX, USCG, shall be corrected to show that he reenlisted for 6 years, instead of 3 years, on September 11, 2000. The Coast Guard shall pay him the amount due under ALCOAST 218/00 as a result of this correction.

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Date: August 9, 2001

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