

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

Application for the Correction of
the Coast Guard Record of:

**FINAL DECISION
BCMR Docket No. 2002-029**

SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

The applicant asked the Board to correct his record to show that on October 31, 2001, he reenlisted for 6 years to receive a 10th anniversary Zone B selective reenlistment bonus (SRB) in accordance with ALCOASTs 127/01 and 198/01. He alleged that he was never counseled about his eligibility for the SRB and that, if he had, he would have reenlisted for 6 years. His record does not contain documentation of SRB counseling prior to his 10th anniversary, and a letter signed by his supervisor states that he was not counseled about his eligibility.

The Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard recommended that the Board grant the applicant's request because the record supports his allegation that he was not properly counseled.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Under COMDTINST 7220.33, the applicant was entitled to proper counseling concerning his eligibility for an SRB. Under ALCOAST 127/01 and the special provisions of ALCOAST 198/01, he was eligible to reenlist for a Zone B SRB on October 31, 2001, even though his 10th active duty anniversary (normally, the end of Zone B) was July 2, 2001. He has proved that he was not properly counseled and that, if he had been, he would have reenlisted for 6 years on October 31, 2001, for the SRB. Accordingly, relief should be granted.

ORDER

The military record of xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, USCG, shall be corrected to show that on October 31, 2001, he reenlisted for 6 years to receive a 10th anniversary Zone B SRB as provided under ALCOAST 198/01 and ALCOAST 127/01. Any reenlistment or extension contract he may have signed since October 31, 2001, shall be null and void. The Coast Guard shall pay him the amount due as a result of this correction.

July 22, 2002

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