

**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. 2002-164**

XXXXXX, XXXXXX X.
xxx xx xxxx, XXXX

SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

The applicant asked the Board to correct his record to show that he reenlisted for six years on February 5, 2002, his sixth active duty anniversary, to receive a Zone B selective reenlistment bonus (SRB). The applicant alleged that he was never counseled about his eligibility to cancel the extension he signed on March 19, 2001 and reenlist on his six-year anniversary. He alleged that, if he had been properly counseled, he would have cancelled his extension, prior to its operative date, and reenlisted for six years. On February 5, 2002, ALCOAST 585/01 was in effect, authorizing a Zone B SRB with a multiple of three and one-half for members in the XXX rating who were serving in pay grade E-5 or above.

On December 12, 2002, the Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard stated that the applicant's request should be granted because the record shows that he was eligible for the SRB. He recommended that the Board grant relief by correcting the applicant's record to show that he reenlisted on February 5, 2002 for six years to receive a Zone B SRB.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Under COMDTINST 7220.33, the applicant was entitled to proper counseling concerning his eligibility to reenlist for six years on his sixth active duty anniversary to receive an SRB. The Board finds that the applicant was not properly counseled, and that if he had been, he would have cancelled the extension contract he signed on March 19, 2001 and reenlisted for six years on February 5, 2002 for the Zone B SRB with a multiple of three and one-half pursuant to ALCOAST 585/01. Accordingly, relief should be granted.

ORDER

The military record of _____, USCG, shall be corrected to show that he reenlisted for six years on February 5, 2002, his sixth active duty anniversary, to receive a Zone B SRB under ALCOAST 585/01. The extension agreement he signed on March 19, 2001 shall be cancelled. The Coast Guard shall pay him the amount due as a result of this correction.

June 13, 2003

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