

# UNITED STATES AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE MATTER OF: DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2024-01080

**COUNSEL:** NONE

**HEARING REQUESTED: NO** 

## **APPLICANT'S REQUEST**

She be credited with a satisfactory year of service towards her 2022 - 2023 Retention/Retirement (R/R) year.

### APPLICANT'S CONTENTIONS

During the time period of 2021 - 2023, 28 Aug was the R/R anniversary date on her Career Data Brief (CDB). As such, she scheduled and satisfactorily completed all her Inactive Duty for Training (IDT), and Annual Tour periods based on this date. In Jul 23, she saw her R/R date was changed on her CBD and as a result, her 2022 - 2023 R/R year became an unsatisfactory year of service. Specifically, she is requesting one of her IDT points she has already earned and been paid for be moved from her 2021 - 2022 R/R year to her 2022 - 2023 R/R year.

The applicant's complete submission is at Exhibit A.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

The applicant is an Air Force Reserve (AFR) lieutenant colonel (O-5).

On 28 Aug 02, the applicant signed AF Form 1058, *Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) Contract* and accepted a Type 2 Scholarship for six semesters. On this same date, as a condition of the AFROTC Contract, she enlisted in the AFR Obligated Reserve Section (ORS).

On 1 May 05, according to Reserve Order women dated 15 Apr 05, she was appointed a second lieutenant (O-2) in the Reserve of the Air Force.

On 1 Jun 21, according to DD Form 214, *Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty*, she was released from active duty, credited with 11 years, 11 months, and 29 days of active service and transferred to the AFR.

On 24 Jun 21, according to Reserve Order dated 25 Jul 22, she was appointed a Reserve of the Air Force in the grade of lieutenant colonel on Scroll ID approved by the Secretary of Defense on 24 Jun 21.

On 7 Mar 23, upon consideration of AFBCMR Docket Number BC-2022-02688, in which the applicant requested the break in service following her separation from active duty and appointment in the AFR be removed, the Board acting in Executive Session voted to recommend correcting her record and remove the break in service. On 18 Nov 23, the AFBCMR Executive Director directed all pertinent records be corrected to reflect she was not released on 1 Jun 21 but continued to serve on active duty until 23 Jun 21.

On 30 Jan 24, according to DD Form 215, Correction to DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, dated 30 Jan 24, her DD Form 214, dated 1 Jun 21, Item 12b, Separation Date This Period was changed from 1 Jun 21 to read 23 Jun 21.

On 7 Mar 24, according to the Military Personnel Data System (MilPDS), her Point Credit Accounting and Reporting System (PCARS) record reflects an R/R date of 1 May. Additionally, for her R/R years 2022 and 2023, it shows she was credited with the following Active Duty (AD), Inactive Duty for Training (IDT), membership (MBR), and retirement points:

R/R Year	AD	IDT	MBR	Retirement	Satisfactory Service (Year)
1 May 21 – 30 Apr 22	54	19	13	88	010000
*1 May 22 – 30 Apr 23	15	19	15	49	000000

<sup>\*</sup> Unsatisfactory Year

For more information, see the excerpt of the applicant's record at Exhibit B and the advisory at Exhibit C.

### APPLICABLE AUTHORITY/GUIDANCE

Department of Defense Instruction 1215.07, Service Credit for Non-Regular Retirement, Section 3, Procedures, Paragraph 3.1, Criteria for Establishing the Service Requirement for a Satisfactory Year of Service for Non-Regular Retirement:

- a. Qualifying Years of Satisfactory Service. Pursuant to Chapter 1223 of Title 10, U.S.C., a qualifying year of creditable service toward a non-regular retirement is a full-year, as described in Paragraphs 3.1.b. and 3.1.c., during which a member of an Active Component (AC) or Reserve Component (RC) is credited with at least 50 retirement points. Accumulating 20 such years, except as otherwise provided by law, is one requirement necessary to qualify for non-regular retired pay.
- b. Establishing an Anniversary Year. (2) Except as noted in Paragraph 3.1.d., calculate anniversary year periods from an anniversary date. The date the Service member entered into active service or active status in an RC establishes the anniversary year.
- c. Adjusting Anniversary Years. (1) The start date month and day for each successive anniversary year will not change unless the Service member has a break in service. A Service member who transitions directly (next day) from the AC to the RC is not considered to have had a break in service; accordingly, that Service member's anniversary date will not change.
- d. Exceptions to Calculating Anniversary Years. (1) In the case of an officer with service as a cadet or midshipman at a Service academy in accordance with Chapters 753, 853, or 953 of Title 10, U.S.C., or in a Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program in accordance with Sections 2104 and 2107 of Title 10, U.S.C., the date for the start of a Service member's initial anniversary year will be established by the date the Service member entered into active service or active status minus any service as a cadet or midshipman.

### AIR FORCE EVALUATION

ARPC/DPTSP recommends denying the request. Based on the documentation provided by the applicant and analysis of the facts, there is no evidence of an error or injustice as there is no source documentation to award additional points other than what is currently reflected. The Points Management Team researched the applicant's master personnel records. Her record reflects on

24 Jun 21, she transferred from the Regular Air Force to the Air Force Reserve; however, her point service history inaccurately reflected an anniversary date of 28 Aug. On 27 Jul 23, pursuant to DoDI 1215.07, paragraph 3.1.(d), this incorrect anniversary date was updated to reflect her correct anniversary date of 1 May. The delayed system update has caused the member to have an unsatisfactory year during 2022 - 2023 R/R year due to service participation being based on incorrect data. In accordance with Air Force Manual (AFMAN) 36-2136, *Reserve Personnel Participation*, Chapter 2, paragraph 2.2, "Points may only be credited to the date a Reservist actually performed the duty." Therefore, the applicant's records accurately reflect all duty actually performed during the time of service.

Notwithstanding the above, the Points Management Team can update the applicant's records if additional source documentation (i.e. certified orders from the Air Force, updated points summaries from prior branches of service, pay history from the Defense Finance and Accounting Service, or IDT Authorization forms from the Air National Guard) is received.

The complete advisory opinion is at Exhibit C.

### APPLICANT'S REVIEW OF AIR FORCE EVALUATION

The Board sent a copy of the advisory opinion to the applicant on 20 May 24 for comment (Exhibit D), and the applicant replied on 21 Jun 24. In her response, the applicant contended she did in fact complete a satisfactory year. As evidence of her completion of IDTs and ATs for her then R/R anniversary date of 28 Aug, she provided her UTAPS Calendars for FY22 and FY23; Annual Tour orders; and proof of pay.

The applicant's complete response is at Exhibit E.

### FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION

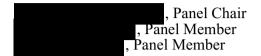
- 1. The application was timely filed.
- 2. The applicant exhausted all available non-judicial relief before applying to the Board.
- 3. After reviewing all Exhibits, the Board concludes the applicant is the victim of an error or injustice. While the Board notes the recommendation of ARPC/DPTSP against correcting the record, the Board finds a preponderance of the evidence substantiates the applicant's contentions. The Board finds, due to no fault of the applicant, the removal of a break in service resulted in her R/R anniversary date reverting back to 1 May which caused inactive duty training points earned shifting from one R/R year to another resulting in a loss of credit for a satisfactory year of service. Therefore, the Board recommends correcting the applicant's record as indicated below.

### RECOMMENDATION

The pertinent military records of the Department of the Air Force relating to APPLICANT be corrected to show one non-paid Inactive Duty Training point from her Retirement and Retention anniversary year 1 May 2021 – 30 April 2022 be moved to her Retirement and Retention anniversary year 1 May 2022 – 30 April 2023 and she be credited with a satisfactory year of service for Retirement and Retention anniversary year 1 May 2022 – 30 Apr 2023.

## **CERTIFICATION**

The following quorum of the Board, as defined in Department of the Air Force Instruction (DAFI) 36-2603, *Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records (AFBCMR)*, paragraph 2.1, considered Docket Number BC-2024-01080 in Executive Session on 13 Aug 24:



All members voted to correct the record. The panel considered the following:

Exhibit A: Application, DD Form 149, w/atchs, dated 21 Mar 24.

Exhibit B: Documentary evidence, including relevant excerpts from official records.

Exhibit C: Advisory opinion, ARPC/DPTSP, w/atchs, dated 16 May 24.

Exhibit D: Notification of advisory, SAF/MRBC to applicant, dated 20 May 24.

Exhibit E: Applicant's Response to Advisory, dated 21 Jun 24.

Taken together with all Exhibits, this document constitutes the true and complete Record of Proceedings, as required by DAFI 36-2603, paragraph 4.12.9.

