



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

ADDENDUM TO RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2022-01291-2

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COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING REQUESTED: NO

APPLICANT'S REQUEST

The Board reconsider his request that his reenlistment date of 11 July 2021 be changed to 15 July 2021 in order to receive a reenlistment bonus.

RESUME OF THE CASE

The applicant is a currently serving Air Force Reserve technical sergeant (E-6).

On 20 October 2022, the Board considered and denied the applicant's request for approval of an Air Force reenlistment bonus; finding the applicant had provided insufficient evidence of an error or injustice to justify relief.

For an accounting of the applicant's original request and the rationale of the earlier decision, see the AFBCMR Letter and Record of Proceedings at Exhibit F.

On 5 November 2023, the applicant requested reconsideration of his request that he is approved for an Air Force reenlistment bonus. He contends he was miscounseled and not given the opportunity to reenlist within the 30-day window due to the UTA schedule. In support of his reconsideration request, the applicant submitted the following new evidence: (1) Letter from his Commander, dated 5 November 2023. The commander indicated the applicant was incorrectly counseled and he was unable to meet the 30-day window due to a mandated dual UTA schedule. This error was in no way the applicant's fault. It was due to the unit career advisor misunderstanding the regulation and providing wrong advice when scheduling the applicant's reenlistment date. Further, he points out that the career advisor said, "I was operating off incorrect information and therefore gave incorrect information."

The applicant's complete submission is at Exhibit G.

AIR FORCE EVALUATION

AFRC/A1KK recommends granting the application. On 3 March 2022, the applicant's Reenlistment Incentive application was reviewed and denied. The applicant reenlisted more than 30 days prior to Expiration Term of Service (ETS). Per Air Force Instruction (AFI) 36-3012, paragraph 5.4.4.1., Reenlists within six months of current ETS when not currently receiving an incentive or reenlists within 30 days from current ETS when currently receiving an incentive. CAUTION: When reenlisting a member who is potentially eligible to receive a reenlistment incentive, ensure the reenlistment takes place "within" the six-month timeframe and not one day "after" the ETS. Must have a minimum of six years of service based on pay date to reenlist for

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three, four, or five years. Note: Waiver Authority for this Exception to Policy (ETP) above is the MAJCOM/CC and delegable no lower than the first general officer in the chain of command. The applicant's commander at the time of reenlistment has included a written statement disclosing the applicant was incorrectly counseled and he was unable to meet the 30-day window due to a mandated dual Unit Training Assembly (UTA) schedule.

Based on the documentation provided by the applicant and analysis of the facts, there is evidence of an error or injustice. The applicant has provided supporting documentation to prove he was incorrectly counseled by the career advisor and to no fault of his own was reenlisted outside of the required 30-day window. Furthermore, these errors have impacted the applicant negatively due to the inability to qualify for a reenlistment bonus and be informed of his right to request an Exception to Policy (ETP) with the MAJCOM/CC or equivalent.

The complete advisory opinion is at Exhibit I.

APPLICANT'S REVIEW OF AIR FORCE EVALUATION

The Board sent a copy of the advisory opinion to the applicant on 20 May 2024 for comment (Exhibit J), but has received no response.

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. The Board concurs with the rationale and recommendation of AFRC/A1KK and finds a preponderance of the evidence substantiates the applicant's contentions. Therefore, the Board recommends correcting the applicant's records as indicated below.

RECOMMENDATION

The pertinent military records of the Department of the Air Force relating to APPLICANT be corrected to show:

- a. His 15 July 2021 reenlistment for 6 years and 0 months, be voided and removed from his record.
- b. On 11 July 2021, he reenlisted for 6 years and 0 months.
- c. Based on the corrected reenlistment date, he received consideration for his Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Reenlistment Incentive Application.

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-2022-01291-2 in Executive Session on 19 July 2024:

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

- Exhibit F: Record of Proceedings, w/ Exhibits A-E, dated 17 November 2022.
- Exhibit G: Application, DD Form 149, w/atchs, dated 5 November 2023.
- Exhibit H: Documentary evidence, including relevant excerpts from official records.
- Exhibit I: Advisory Opinion, AFRC/A1KK dated 10 May 2024.
- Exhibit J: Notification of Advisory, SAF/MRBC to Applicant, dated 20 May 2024.

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.

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Associate Director, AFBCMR

Signed by: USAF

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