

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE MATTER OF: DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2022-02000

Work-Product COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING REQUESTED: NO

APPLICANT'S REQUEST

The date of entry on his DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, be changed.

APPLICANT'S CONTENTIONS

In Sep 95, he enlisted into the Air Force Reserve Delayed Entry/Enlistment Program and on 31 Jan 96 he started his active duty service. His entry date incorrectly reflects 24 Sep 96 [sic] and should be corrected to reflect 24 Sep 95. He is requesting the change because it will make a huge difference in his retirement from the Police Department.

The applicant's complete submission is at Exhibit A.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The applicant is a former Air Force senior airman (E-4).

On 23 Sep 95, according to DD Form 4/1, *Enlistment/Reenlistment Document – Armed Forces of the United States*, the applicant entered the Air Force Reserve Delayed Entry/Enlistment Program and acknowledged he understood his enlistment in the Program counts toward his military service obligation; however, is not creditable for pay purposes upon entry into a pay status.

On 31 Jan 96, according to DD Form 4/3, the applicant was discharged from the Delayed Entry/Enlistment Program and enlisted in the Regular Air Force for a period of four years.

On 30 Jan 20, according to DD Form 214, the applicant was released from active duty and transferred to the Air Force Reserve. Item 12a, *Date Entered [Active Duty] this Period,* reflects 31 Jan 96 and Item 12e, *Total Prior Inactive Service,* shows 4 months and 8 days.

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

AIR FORCE EVALUATION

AFPC/DP2LT (Service Dates) recommends denying the application. Based on documentation found in the applicant's personnel record and analysis of the facts, there is no evidence of error or injustice on the part of the Air Force. While, the applicant's request is not quite clear, his DD Form 214 is correct. Item 12a is reflected as 31 Jan 96, which is when he enlisted in the Regular Air

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Force. As stated on the DD Form 4, the Delayed Entry/Enlistment Program period counts toward his military service obligation; however, the period of time spent in the Air Force Reserve Delayed Entry/Enlistment Program from 23 Sep 95 until he entered the Regular Air Force on 31 Jan 96, is not creditable service for pay. It is considered inactive service and is annotated in item 12e on the DD Form 214.

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 17 Aug 22 for comment (Exhibit D), 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 not the victim of an error or injustice. The applicant believes he should be credited for the period he served in the Air Force Reserve Delayed Entry/Enlistment Program. However, this period of service is not active service, nor creditable service for pay. Therefore, the Board concurs with the rationale and recommendation of AFPC/DP2LT and finds a preponderance of the evidence does not substantiate the applicant's contentions. Accordingly, the Board recommends against correcting the applicant's records.

RECOMMENDATION

The Board recommends informing the applicant the evidence did not demonstrate material error or injustice, and the Board will reconsider the application only upon receipt of relevant evidence not already presented.

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-2022-02000 in Executive Session on 4 May 23:



All members voted against correcting the record. The panel considered the following:

Exhibit A: Application, DD Form 149, dated 13 Jul 22.

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

Exhibit C: Advisory Opinion, AFPC/DP2LT, w/atchs, dated 15 Aug 22.

Exhibit D: Notification of Advisory, SAF/MRBC to Applicant, dated 17 Aug 22.

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.

