

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE MATTER OF: DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2022-02949

COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING REQUESTED: YES

APPLICANT'S REQUEST

His appointment date in the Air Force Reserve be changed from 9 Jun 22 to 1 Sep 22.

APPLICANT'S CONTENTIONS

He was on a conditional release and drilling with the Army Reserve while awaiting a decision from the Air Force Reserve. He performed 12 active duty and 11 inactive duty training (IDT) days between 8 Jun 22 and 12 Aug 22. He stopped drilling with the Army Reserve when notified he was accepted into the Air Force Reserve. He began drilling with the Air Force Reserve in Sep 22.

The Army Reserve backdated his discharge order due to the appointment date and it triggered a debt for the pay he received for duties performed for the period 8 Jun 22 to 12 Aug 22.

The applicant's complete submission is at Exhibit A.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The applicant is a captain (O-3) in the Air Force Reserve.

On 8 Jun 22, the applicant was discharged from the Army Reserve per Army Reserve Command Orders dated 4 Oct 22.

On 9 Jun 22, the applicant was appointed in the Air Force Reserve in the rank of captain per ARPC IMT 92, *Appointment Order*, Reserve Order *Work-Product*, dated 25 Jul 22.

The AFBCMR, which serves on behalf of the Secretary of the Air Force in the correction of military records, does not have the authority to correct records published by another branch of the military. The applicant would be required to contact the Army Reserve for a correction of his discharge date.

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

AIR FORCE EVALUATION

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ARPC/DPAR recommends denial. The applicant knowingly took the Oath of Office into the Air Force Reserve, which should have ended his service with the Army Reserve. The applicant was placed on the Air Force Reserve scroll nomination list on 4 Oct 21, which was approved by the Secretary of Defense on 9 Mar 22. The applicant's Air Force Reserve recruiter notified the applicant by email on 27 May 22 his scroll was approved and that the Oath of Office needed to be accomplished to make his commission in the Air Force Reserve official. His recruiter also informed him the Appointment Order could not be completed until the Army Reserve released him, which should be accomplished prior to the Oath. The applicant confirmed in an email on 3 Jun 22 that they would be completing the Oath of Office on 9 Jun 22. An Appointment Order was created on 25 Jul 22, appointing the applicant into the Air Force Reserve on 9 Jun 22.

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 26 Jan 23 for comment (Exhibit D) but has received no response.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION

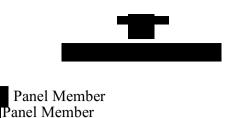
- 1. The application was timely filed.
- 2. The applicant exhausted all available non-judicial relief before applying to the Board.
- 3. After reviewing all Exhibits, the Board concludes the applicant is not the victim of an error or injustice. The Board concurs with the rationale and recommendation of ARPC/DPAR and finds a preponderance of the evidence does not substantiate the applicant's contentions. Furthermore, this Board, which serves on behalf of the Secretary of the Air Force in the correction of records, is without authority to correct records published by another military service. In this respect, the Board notes per the Army Reserve Command Orders, he was discharged from the Army Reserve on 8 Jun 22 and commissioned in the Air Force Reserve the following day on 9 Jun 22. Moreover, correcting his records as requested would result in a break in service. Therefore, the Board recommends against correcting the applicant's records.
- 4. The applicant has not shown a personal appearance, with or without counsel, would materially add to the Board's understanding of the issues involved.

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 Air Force Instruction (AFI) 36-2603, *Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records (AFBCMR)*, paragraph 1.5, considered Docket Number BC-2022-02949 in Executive Session on 7 Mar 23:



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

Exhibit A: Application, DD Form 149, w/atchs, dated 4 Nov 22.

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

Exhibit C: Advisory Opinion, ARPC/DPAR, w/atchs, dated 17 Jan 23.

Exhibit D: Notification of Advisory, SAF/MRBC to Applicant, dated 26 Jan 23.

Taken together with all Exhibits, this document constitutes the true and complete Record of Proceedings, as required by AFI 36-2603, paragraph 4.11.9.

