



# UNITED STATES AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

### RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE MATTER OF: DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2023-00161

**COUNSEL:** NONE

**HEARING REQUESTED:** YES

# APPLICANT'S REQUEST

Her DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, be corrected to reflect the time she spent on the Temporary Disability Retired List (TDRL).

#### APPLICANT'S CONTENTIONS

Her DD Form 214 needs to show her current status as permanent and not temporary. Due to this, she is not eligible to receive certain Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) benefits, specifically the Yellow Ribbon Program. The benefit states that 100 percent service-connected veterans are eligible but the DVA only shows her education benefit as 70 percent. She was told by the DVA that the source to change her percent amount is her DD Form 214 which needs to be corrected as it shows temporary retirement.

The applicant's complete submission is at Exhibit A.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS

The applicant is a medically retired Air Force airman basic (E-1).

Dated 18 Dec 07, Special Order in the grade of airman basic (E-1) with a compensable percentage for physical disability of 60 percent, effective 29 Jan 08.

On 28 Jan 08, DD Form 214 reflects the applicant was honorably discharged in the grade of airman basic (E-1) after serving 1 year, 11 months, and 16 days of active duty. She was discharged, with a narrative reason for separation "Disability, Temporary."

On 10 Apr 08, Special Order was revoked and replaced with Special Order ACD-01034 which changed her compensable percentage for physical disability to 80 percent.

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Dated 5 Oct 10, Special Order , indicates the applicant was removed from the TDRL and retired with a compensable percentage for physical disability of 50 percent, effective 25 Oct 10.

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

#### AIR FORCE EVALUATION

AFPC/DP2SSR recommends denying the application finding no error or injustice with the DD Form 214 preparation since a new DD Form 214 is not required upon removal from TDRL. Per DD Form 214 guidance, AFI 36-3202, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty-DD Form 214/215 Series, attachment 2, rule 18 and the DD Form 214 Separations Personnel System Delivery (PSD) Guide, a DD Form 214 is not furnished for members being removed from the TDRL regardless of status at the time of separation. The applicant should have been provided documentation from the Disabilities office with an explanation that this documentation was to be kept with the original DD Form 214 since a new DD Form 214 would not be provided. Those documents combined with the original DD Form 214 are to be provided to any respective agencies that require pertinent information related to the applicant's current status to include agencies like the DVA. If the applicant no longer has those documents, she needs to contact the Disabilities office to obtain a copy of them.

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 2 Mar 23 for comment (Exhibit D), but has received no response.

#### FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION

- 1. The application was not 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 AFPC/DP2SSR and finds a preponderance of the evidence does not substantiate the applicant's contentions. Specifically, the Board finds no error with the applicant's current DD Form 214 as this document correctly annotates her status at the time of separation. The DD Form 214 is prepared and used to record qualifying active duty service at the time of separation. A new DD Form 214 or correction is not authorized for members being removed from the TDRL. Her disability retirement order which removed her from the TDRL reflects her current status. The Board also notes the applicant did not file the application within three years of discovering the alleged error or injustice, as required

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by Section 1552 of Title 10, United States Code, and Department of the Air Force Instruction (DAFI) 36-2603, *Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records (AFBCMR)*. The Board does not find it in the interest of justice to waive the three-year filing requirement. Therefore, the Board finds the application untimely and recommends against correcting the applicant's records.

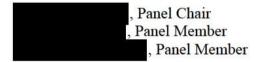
4. The applicant has not shown a personal appearance, with or without counsel, would materially add to the Board's understanding of the issues involved.

## RECOMMENDATION

The Board recommends informing the applicant the application was not timely filed; it would not be in the interest of justice to excuse the delay; 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 DAFI 36-2603, paragraph 2.1, considered Docket Number BC-2023-00161 in Executive Session on 30 May 23:



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

Exhibit A: Application, DD Form 149, w/atchs, dated 15 Dec 22.

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

Exhibit C: Advisory Opinion, AFPC/DP2SSR, dated 1 Mar 23.

Exhibit D: Notification of Advisory, SAF/MRBC to Applicant, dated 2 Mar 23.

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.

