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**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS**

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

**DOCKET NUMBER:** BC-2023-02757

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**COUNSEL:** NONE

**HEARING REQUESTED:** YES

**APPLICANT’S REQUEST**

He be allowed to transfer his Post-9/11 GI Bill Transfer of Education Benefits (TEB) to his dependents.

**APPLICANT’S CONTENTIONS**

He submitted a Post-9/11 GI Bill TEB request three times. Each attempt was denied due to his inability to sign the SOU. He was unable to submit and sign the SOU due to failure within the myFSS system that prevented his contact information from being updated automatically upon his transition from active duty to the Air Force Reserve (AFR). The automatic email was sent to his expired email address.

The applicant’s complete submission is at Exhibit A.

**STATEMENT OF FACTS**

The applicant is a currently serving AFR major (O-4).

On 26 May 2010, according to DD Form 214, *Certificate of Release of Discharge from Active Duty*, the applicant enlisted in the Regular Air Force.

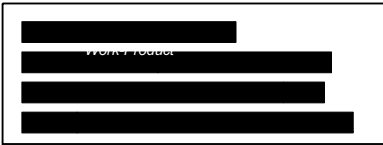
On 31 August 2022, according to DD Form 214, the applicant received an honorable character of service and transferred to the AFR in the grade of major. He served 12 years, 3 months and 5 days of total active service and was credited with 1 year, 6 months, and 19 days of Foreign Service. Type of separation reflect “Resignation.” The narrative reason for separation reflects “Completion of Required Active Service.”

On 1 September 2022, according to ARPC IMT 92, *Appointment Order*, [redacted] dated 13 October 2022, the applicant was appointed as a Reserve of the Air Force in the grade of major.

According to the Benefits for Education Administrative Services Tool (BEAST) and the myFSS system, the applicant submitted TEB requests on 18 October 2022, 2 March 2023, and 8 May 2023. The requests were denied because the applicant did not commit to the required additional service time.

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On 22 August 2023, according to AF Form 4406, *Post-9/11 GI Bill Transfer of Educational Benefits Statement of Understanding*, the applicant acknowledged he would incur a service obligation of four- years and a Selected Reserve Service Commitment (SRSC) would be updated in his records. The Reserve Component date reflects 13 August 2027.

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

**AIR FORCE EVALUATION**

ARPC/DPAT recommends granting the application. Based on the documentation provided by the applicant and analysis of the facts, there is evidence of an error or injustice. The applicant’s requests were denied because he did not sign the TEB SOU. In addition, the applicant did not receive the instructions because myFSS used an invalid email address for the applicant.

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 3 October 2023 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 the victim of an error or injustice. The Board concurs with the rationale and recommendation of ARPC/DPAT and finds a preponderance of the evidence substantiates the applicant’s contentions. Therefore, the Board recommends correcting the applicant’s records as indicated below.
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 pertinent military records of the Department of the Air Force relating to APPLICANT be corrected to show that on 18 October 2022, he elected and was approved to transfer his Post-9/11 GI Bill Educational Benefits to his eligible dependents with an obligation end date of 17 October 2026.

**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-2023-02757 in Executive Session on 13 February 2024:

- Work-Product**, Panel Chair
- Work-Product**, Panel Member
- Work-Product**, Panel Member

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

- Exhibit A: Application, DD Form 149, w/atchs, dated 23 August 2023.
- Exhibit B: Documentary evidence, including relevant excerpts from official records.
- Exhibit C: Advisory opinion, ARPC/DPAT, dated 26 September 2023.
- Exhibit D: Notification of advisory, SAF/MRBC to applicant, dated 3 October 2023.

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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Board Operations Manager, AFBCMR  
Signed by: Work-Product