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

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2023-03337

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COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING REQUESTED: YES

APPLICANT'S REQUEST

His home of record (HOR) be changed from California (CA) to Texas (TX).

APPLICANT'S CONTENTIONS

He had a break in service in Aug 01. His DD Form 214, *Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty*, shows a return to service in Sep 02, but his HOR reflects CA, which is where he went to school. He had a TX driver's license and voter registration prior to leaving service, while he was out, and upon return to service showing he was a TX resident.

The applicant's complete submission is at Exhibit A.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The applicant is a retired Air Force major (O-4).

On 27 Dec 95, according to DD Form 4, *Enlistment/Reenlistment Document – Armed Forces of the United States*, the applicant enlisted in the Regular Air Force. The applicant's HOR is identified as Tennessee (TN).

On 23 Aug 01, according to DD Form 214, the applicant was honorably discharged with a separation code and narrative reason for separation of KGX, *Officer Training Program*. His HOR is identified as TN.

On 24 Aug 01, according to DD Form 4, the applicant enlisted in the Air Force Reserve in the grade of E-5 for a period of 8 years. His HOR is listed as TN, and his place of enlistment is identified as an Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) detachment in CA.

On 2 Jul 02, according to AF Form 24, *Application for Appointment as Reserve of the Air Force or USAF Without Component*, the applicant's HOR is listed as CA.

On 26 Sep 02, according to Special Order Work-Product dated 9 Jul 02, the applicant entered extended active duty (EAD) as a second lieutenant. His HOR is identified as CA.

On 30 Sep 14, according to DD Form 214, the applicant was released from active duty for the purpose of early retirement. His HOR is identified as CA.

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

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APPLICABLE AUTHORITY

According to the DD Form 214 Personnel Services Delivery Guide, the HOR on the application for appointment (AF Form 24) is used as the HOR on the DD Form 214 for active duty officers. As a secondary source, the HOR listed on the EAD order for the starting period of service recorded on the DD Form 214, block 12a (Date Entered Active Duty this Period), may be used.

AIR FORCE EVALUATION

AFPC/DPMLT (Accessions) recommends denying the application. The Joint Travel Regulation (JTR) states that the place recorded as the individual's home when reinstated, reappointed, or reenlisted remains the same as that recorded when commissioned, appointed, enlisted or inducted or ordered into the tour of active duty unless there is a break in service or more than one full day. Only if a break in service exceeds on full day may the member change the HOR. Additionally, the JTR states "Travel and transportation allowances are based on the officially corrected recording in those instances when, through a bona fide error, the place originally named at the time of current entry into the service was not in fact the actual home. Any such corrections must be fully justified and the home, as corrected, must be the member's actual home upon entering the service, and not a different place selected for the member's convenience."

Based on a review of the documentation provided and analysis of the facts, there is no evidence of an error or injustice. The applicant re-entered active duty after a break in service and changed his HOR to CA. There does not appear to be a "bona fide error;" therefore, the applicant cannot change his HOR. To grant relief would be contrary to the criteria established in the JTR.

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 15 Apr 24 for comment (Exhibit D) but has received no response.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION

1. The application was not timely filed. The Board notes the applicant did not file the application within three years of discovering the alleged error or injustice, as required 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)*. While the applicant asserts a date of discovery with the three-year limit, the Board does not find the assertion supported by a preponderance of the evidence.
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/DPMLT and finds a preponderance of the evidence does not substantiate the applicant's contentions. While the applicant asserts his HOR at the time of his return to service in Sep 02 was TX, both his EAD order and AF Form 24 reflect his HOR as CA. 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 DAFI 36-2603, paragraph 2.1, considered Docket Number BC-2023-03337 in Executive Session on 27 Jun 24:

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

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

- Exhibit A: Application, DD Form 149, w/atchs, dated 6 Oct 23.
- Exhibit B: Documentary Evidence, including relevant excerpts from official records.
- Exhibit C: Advisory, AFPC/DPMLT, w/atchs, dated 12 Apr 24.
- Exhibit D: Notification of Advisory, SAF/MRBC to Applicant, dated 15 Apr 24.

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.

9/15/2025

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Board Operations Manager, AFBCMR
Signed by: USAF