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

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2023-03555

Attorney-Client

COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING REQUESTED: YES

APPLICANT'S REQUEST

His 9 March 2014 reenlistment date be changed to reflect 3 July 2014 for the purpose of bonus eligibility.

APPLICANT'S CONTENTIONS

He should be allowed bonus eligibility due to improper reenlistment processing that was completed on his behalf. Through no fault of his own, he was reenlisted 60 days prior to his eligibility for a bonus by the career advisor. He was currently receiving a bonus and reenlisted in a bonus. The reenlistment was required to be 30 days prior to the separation date. He contacted the Inspector General (IG) to perform an investigation. After he filed a complaint, he was then provided a reenlistment checklist. In 2023, he received the IG's findings only after inquiry was made by his squadron commander. He was advised to come to the Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records (AFBCMR).

The applicant's complete submission is at Exhibit A.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The applicant is a currently serving Air Force Reserve master sergeant (E-7).

On 3 July 2002, according to DD Form 4/1, *Enlistment/Reenlistment Document Armed Forces of the United States*, the applicant reenlisted for a period of 6 years beginning in pay grade E-3.

On 7 June 2008, according to DD Form 4/1, *Enlistment/Reenlistment Document Armed Forces of the United States*, the applicant reenlisted for a period of 6 years beginning in pay grade E-6.

On 9 March 2014, according to DD Form 4/1, the applicant reenlisted for a period of 6 years.

According to a personal data surf provided by the applicant, during the period in question his ETS was 2 July 2014.

On 16 September 2018, AF Form 1411, *Extension of Enlistment in the Air Force*, reflects the applicant requested his current enlistment entered on 9 March 2014 for a period of six years be extended for 31 months for the purpose of GI Bill or Continuation Pay. His date of separation (DOS) of 8 March 2020 was extended to 8 October 2022. His request was approved on 16 September 2018.

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On 4 March 2023, according to DD Form 4/1, *Enlistment/Reenlistment Document Armed Forces of the United States*, the applicant reenlisted for a period of 2 years beginning in pay grade E-7.

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

AIR FORCE EVALUATION

AFRC/A1KK recommends granting the application. The applicant reenlisted using a DD Form 4 containing a wet signature on 9 March 2014 for a period of 6 years. At the time of reenlistment, he was receiving an incentive bonus and reenlisted in a bonus Air Force Specialty Code (AFSC) in fiscal year 2014. The applicant's expiration term of service (ETS) was 2 July 2014. Based on the documentation provided, the applicant's reenlistment occurred 30 calendar days before the ETS.

IAW Air Force Instruction 36-2612, United States Air Force Reserve (USAFR) Reenlistment and Retention Program, dated 25 July 1994, paragraph 2.1, provides who is eligible for reenlistment. It specifically states eligibility as "members who are serving in a bonus AFSC and are within 30 days of current ETS (unless HQ AFRES/DPRV waives the requirement, or the member is reenlisting for the Montgomery GI Bill program)."

Table 6.1, item G, states airmen are eligible if reenlisting within 30 calendar days of current ETS and receiving an incentive, it continues in note 3. Note 3 states, reenlistment more than 30 calendar days before current ETS requires waiver by HQ AFRES/DPRV unless reenlisting for the Montgomery G.I. Bill Program.

There is no waiver that indicates HQ AFRES/DPRV approved the reenlistment which was more than 30 days prior to the applicant's ETS. Additionally, there is no evidence that the applicant reenlisted for the Montgomery G.I. Bill Program.

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 31 May 2024 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 AFRC/A1KK 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:

- a. His 9 March 2014 reenlistment for 6 years and 0 months, be voided and removed from his record.
- b. On 3 July 2014, he reenlisted for 6 years and 0 months.

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-2023-03555 in Executive Session on 3 July 2024:

Attorney-Client, Panel Chair
Attorney-Client, Panel Member
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All members voted to correct the record. The panel considered the following:

- Exhibit A: Application, DD Form 149, w/atchs, dated 17 October 2023.
- Exhibit B: Documentary evidence, including relevant excerpts from official records.
- Exhibit C: Advisory opinion, AFRC/A1KK, dated 30 May 2024.
- Exhibit D: Notification of advisory, SAF/MRBC to applicant, dated 31 May 2024.

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.

7/18/2024

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Board Operations Manager, AFBCMR
Signed by: USAF