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# UNITED STATES AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE MATTER OF:

**DOCKET NUMBER:** BC-2024-01015

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COUNSEL: Work-Product

**HEARING REQUESTED:** NO

# APPLICANT'S REQUEST

- 1. His DD Form 214, *Report of Separation from Active Duty*, be corrected to match the date of his discharge from service.
- 2. He receive any compensation if due.

## **APPLICANT'S CONTENTIONS**

His DD Form 214 does not match the date of his discharge from service. He was just made aware of this by the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA).

The applicant's complete submission is at Exhibit A.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS

The applicant is a former Air Force sergeant (E-4).

On 10 Jan 79, the applicant was relieved from active duty and furnished DD Form 214 with a separation code of SFK, which denotes temporary disability retirement. He was credited with 6 years, 9 months, and 8 days of total active service.

On 11 Jan 79, according to Special Order *Work-Product*, dated 21 Dec 78, the applicant was placed on the Temporary Disability Retired List (TDRL) in the grade of E-4 with a compensable percentage for physical disability of 50 percent.

On 25 Nov 83, according to Special Order *Work-Product*, dated 15 Nov 83, the applicant was removed from TDRL and discharged for physical disability with entitlement to disability severance pay in the grade of E-4.

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

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#### AIR FORCE EVALUATION

AFPC/DP2SSR (DD Form 214 Policy and Procedures) recommends denying the applicant's request. In accordance with Air Force Manual (AFM) 35-6, *Separation Documents and General Separation Procedures*, a DD Form 214 is not furnished to members removed from TDRL, regardless of status at the time of separation. Once the applicant was removed from TDRL, he should have been provided documentation by the Disability Office to present with his DD Form 214 to inform respective agencies of his new status. If the documentation is missing, he will need to contact the Disability Office.

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 25 Oct 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)*.
- 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. According to the guidance governing issuance of separation documents, a new DD Form 214 is not authorized for members removed from TDRL. Instead, members are provided a source document reflecting their new status to present with their DD Form 214. In this regard, the applicant was discharged on 10 Jan 79 for physical disability and furnished DD Form 214 for the purpose of retirement (placement on TDRL, effective 11 Jan 79). On 15 Nov 83, Special Order Work-Product was published indicating the applicant was removed from TDRL and discharged with disability severance pay, effective 25 Nov 83. The DD Form 214 and Special Order appropriately document the applicant's discharge status with respective effective dates, and a new DD Form 214 is not authorized. Therefore, the Board recommends against correcting the applicant's records.

#### 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-2024-01015 in Executive Session on 6 Feb 25:

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

Exhibit A: Application, DD Form 149, dated 27 Feb 24.

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

Exhibit C: Advisory Opinion, AFPC/DP2SSR, dated 24 Oct 24.

Exhibit D: Notification of Advisory, SAF/MRBC to Applicant, dated 25 Oct 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.

5/23/2025

