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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2024-01231

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COUNSEL: Work-Product

HEARING REQUESTED: NO

APPLICANT'S REQUEST

He receive 35 reserve participation points for his Retention/Retirement (R/R) year 2020-2021 in order to be credited with a satisfactory year of service.

APPLICANT'S CONTENTIONS

His Individual Mobilization Augmentee (IMA) position required a pilot with a current medical clearance; however, he was unable to schedule a Flying Class I or II Flight Physical in order to be medically cleared to participate due to COVID-19 restrictions in place at RAF Work-Product. These restrictions, along with United Kingdom (UK) COVID-19 lockdown laws, caused him to miss annual training (AT) and Individual Training for Duty (IDT) as the medical group was not permitting appointments for those deemed not essential personnel.

The applicant's complete submission is at Exhibit A.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The applicant is an Air Force Reserve (AFR) major (O-4).

On 1 Jan 21, according to Reserve Order Work-Product dated 24 Nov 20, he was assigned as an IMA to the 420 Air Base Squadron, Fairford, UK. Additionally, it states the applicant is assigned to a position requiring a rated officer as prescribed by AFI 38-101, *Manpower and Organization*.

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

AIR FORCE EVALUATION

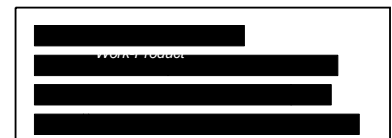
HQRIO/IRO, recommends granting the application. Based on the documentation provided by the applicant and analysis of the facts, there is evidence of an error or injustice. The applicant was unable to perform annual requirements between Jan 21 and 5 May 21 due to USAFE COVID Movement restrictions. In addition, he was not able to be seen by the medical group (MDG) at RAF Work-Product, UK, due to the MDG not accepting appointments for patients outside the local area. Therefore, he was unable to be cleared to perform duty during that time frame.

The complete advisory opinion is at Exhibit C.

APPLICANT'S REVIEW OF AIR FORCE EVALUATION

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The Board sent a copy of the advisory opinion to the applicant on 20 Jun 24 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 HQ RIO/IRO and finds a preponderance of the evidence substantiates the applicant's contentions. Therefore, the Board recommends correcting the applicant's records as indicated below.

RECOMMENDATION

The pertinent military records of the Department of the Air Force relating to APPLICANT be corrected to show he was credited with an additional 35 non-paid inactive duty training points for Retirement/Retention year of 6 May 20 – 5 May 21.

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-2024-01231 in Executive Session on 12 Nov 24:

Work-Product Panel Chair
Work-Product 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 21 Mar 24.
- Exhibit B: Documentary evidence, including relevant excerpts from official records.
- Exhibit C: Advisory opinion, HQ RIO/IRO, dated 12 Jun 24.
- Exhibit D: Notification of advisory, SAF/MRBC to applicant, dated 20 Jun 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.

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Board Operations Manager, AFBCMR

Signed by: Work-Product

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