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

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

**DOCKET NUMBER:** BC-2024-04235

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**COUNSEL:** NONE

**HEARING REQUESTED:** YES

**APPLICANT’S REQUEST**

He be eligible for participation in the Enlisted College Loan Repayment Program (ECLRP).

**APPLICANT’S CONTENTIONS**

He was not adequately informed by his recruiter regarding the ECLRP and its implications for his Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB) eligibility. He provided loan information to his recruiter, believing ECLRP enrollment to be a logical choice given his circumstances. The ECLRP and its associated enlistment incentives were significant factors in his decision to join the Air Force. He was unaware when initialing Block E on Air Force Form 3008, *Supplement to Enlistment Agreement – United States Air Force*, he was waiving ECLRP eligibility and he believed he was only declining the six-year enlistment option. The ECLRP is very hard to find information on and it seems to not be well known, which is another factor to grant his request.

The applicant’s complete submission is at Exhibit A.

**STATEMENT OF FACTS**

The applicant is currently serving in the Regular Air Force in the grade of senior airman (E-4).

On 5 January 2023, according to DD Form 4, *Enlistment/Reenlistment Document – Armed Forces of the United States*, the applicant entered the Regular Air Force.

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

**APPLICABLE AUTHORITY/GUIDANCE**

Effective 10 March 2023, the Air Force was authorized to implement the ECLRP for eligible new enlistees entering active duty between 10 March 2023, and 30 September 2023, or until Fiscal Year 2023 ECLRP funds were depleted. Eligibility criteria include: incorporation of the ECLRP annex into the enlistment agreement on AF Form 3008; active duty status; no prior military service; incurrence of the college loan prior to active duty; enlistment for a

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term of four (4) or six (6) years in any Air Force Specialty Code (AFSC); completion of initial skills training; and current or deferred loan status as verified by the lender. Federal law prohibits concurrent receipt of compensation from both the ECLRP and the MGIB for the same period of service. Initial enlistment establishes ECLRP eligibility; subsequent reenlistment for a minimum of two (2) years confers MGIB eligibility. Completion of at least 30 months of service during the second term is required to fulfill MGIB eligibility requirements.

### **AIR FORCE EVALUATION**

AFRS/A3 recommends denying the application. The applicant entered active duty on 5 January 2023. He needed to submit a Financial Eligibility Determination (FED) as part of his enlistment processing due to his level of debt. Further, the ECLRP was not offered at the time of the applicant's enlistment but was reactivated and funded on 10 March 2023. Therefore, the applicant is ineligible for ECLRP benefits.

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 28 May 2025 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 not the victim of an error or injustice. The Board concurs with the rationale and recommendation of AFRS/A3 and finds a preponderance of the evidence does not substantiate the applicant's contentions. The Board notes the ECLRP was not available at the time of the applicant's enlistment. 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 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-2024-04235 in Executive Session on 4 September 2025:

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, Panel Chair

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

- Exhibit A: Application, DD Form 149, w/atchs, dated 19 November 2024.
- Exhibit B: Documentary evidence, including relevant excerpts from official records.
- Exhibit C: Advisory Opinion, AFRS/A3, w/atch, dated 27 May 2025.
- Exhibit D: Notification of Advisory, SAF/MRBC to Applicant, dated 28 May 2025.

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: USAF

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