AIR FORCE DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD DECISIONAL DOCUMENT CASE NUMBER FD-2024-00625

SUMMARY: The Applicant was discharged on 31 May 2013 in accordance with Air Force Instruction 36-3208, *Administrative Separation of Airmen*, with a Honorable discharge for Non-retention on active duty. The Applicant appealed for a change to the reentry code.

The Applicant requested the Board be completed based on a records only review. The Board was conducted on 03 April 2025. The Applicant was not represented by counsel.

The attached examiner's brief (provided to Applicant only), extracted from available service records, contains pertinent data regarding the circumstances and character of the Applicant's military service.

DISCUSSION: The Discharge Review Board (DRB), under its responsibility to examine the propriety and equity of an Applicant's discharge, is authorized to change the characterization of service and the narrative reason for discharge if such changes are warranted. If applicable, the Board can also change the Applicant's reentry code. In reviewing discharges, the Board presumes regularity in the conduct of governmental affairs unless there is substantial credible evidence to rebut the presumption, to include evidence submitted by the Applicant. The Board completed a thorough review of the circumstances that led to the discharge and the discharge process to determine if the discharge met the pertinent standards of equity and propriety.

The Applicant's record of service included the following documented misconduct leading up to their discharge:

-Article 15 for fraudulent use of the Government Travel Card

The documentary evidence the Board considered as part of the review includes, but is not limited to the DD Form 293, *Application for the Review of Discharge from the Armed Forces of the United States,* and any additional documentation submitted by Applicant and/or counsel; the Applicant's personnel file from the Automated Records Management System (ARMS); and the DRB Brief detailing the Applicant's service information and a summary of the case.

The Applicant requests a Reentry Code change to be eligible for reenlistment. They state they served honorably and believe their current code is incorrect, possibly due to a government shutdown.

The Discharge Review Board (DRB) upheld the Applicant's discharge as fair and equitable. Records show the Applicant was not recommended for reenlistment due to several administrative actions, including an Article 15 for fraudulent government travel card use, which resulted in the current Reentry Code. The Applicant offered no evidence of a government shutdown or its impact on their code. Therefore, based on the presumption of regularity, the Board denied the request for Reentry Code change.

Additionally, the Board considered the factors laid out in the attachment to the Under Secretary of Defense memorandum, *Guidance to Military Discharge Review Boards and Boards for Correction of Military/Naval Records Regarding Equity, Injustice, or Clemency Determinations*, dated 25 June 2018, known as the "Wilkie Memo." The Board considered the factors listed in paragraphs (6)(a)-(6)(l) and (7)(a)-(7)(r) of this memorandum and found no evidence of inequity or impropriety.

FINDING: The DRB voted unanimously to *deny* the Applicant's request to change the Reentry Code.

CONCLUSION: After a thorough review of the available evidence, to include the Applicant's issues, summary of service, service/medical record entries, and discharge process, the Board found the discharge was proper and equitable. Therefore, the awarded Characterization of Service shall remain "Honorable," the

Narrative Reason for separation shall remain "Non-retention on active duty," and the Reentry Code shall remain "2X." The DRB results were approved by the Presiding Officer on 8 April 2025. If desired, the Applicant can request a list of the Board members and their votes by writing to:

Air Force Review Boards Agency Attn: Discharge Review Board 3351 Celmers Lane Joint Base Andrews, MD 20762-6435

Attachment: Examiner's Brief (Applicant Only)

