

SUMMARY: The Applicant was discharged on November 23, 2015 in accordance with Air Force Instruction 36-3208, Administrative Separation of Airmen, with an Uncharacterized / Entry Level Separation Service Characterization for Fraudulent Entry. The Applicant appealed for an upgrade of their Reentry Code.

The Applicant requested the Board be completed based on a Record Review. The Board was conducted on 14 August 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 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 an upgrade be granted based on principles of propriety, equity, and clemency. The Applicant claims they demonstrated genuine integrity by openly disclosing ADHD under highly stressful circumstances, proving there was no intent to deceive. The initial error was a moment of vulnerability, not dishonesty, and the Applicant's prompt efforts to rectify the situation clearly reflect a commitment to military values. Despite enduring profound personal hardships, including family loss and other significant setbacks, the Applicant contends their unwavering determination to serve embodies the very ideals of fairness and accountability. The Applicant states their proactive measures to correct past oversights reveal substantial personal growth and a sincere dedication to honoring a family legacy and serving the nation. Denying this request would be unjust; therefore, the Board should be compelled to grant this equitable and compassionate reconsideration.

The Applicant is requesting an upgrade to their re-entry code after serving 20 days in the military. The Applicant was recommended for discharge citing a defective enlistment. The records revealed the Applicant had a history of ADHD which leadership believed was intentionally concealed and was a prior service mental condition which if revealed during the enlistment process would have been a disqualifying condition. The Applicants record revealed they stated they were not interested in a waiver and lacked motivation for military life. The Applicant's request for a change of re-entry code to allow for re-enlistment could not be supported due to current policies. Under DoDI 6130.03, Medical Standards for Appointment, Enlistment, or Induction in the Military Services, under Learning, Psychiatric, and Behavioral Condition, the Applicant's reported history of mental health conditions or disorders prior to and during service are considered disqualifying conditions for induction into military service. Liberal consideration is also not applied to the Applicant's petition due to his reason for ELS discharge being exempt for consideration under this policy.

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 AND 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. The DRB voted unanimously to ***deny*** the Applicant’s request. Therefore, the awarded Service Characterization shall remain “Uncharacterized / Entry Level Separation,” the Narrative Reason for separation shall remain Fraudulent Entry, and the Reentry Code shall remain 2C. The DRB results were approved by the Presiding Officer on August 18, 2025.

Should the Applicant wish to appeal this decision, the Applicant must request a personal appearance before this Board before applying for relief to the Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records (AFBCMR). In accordance with DAFI 36-2603, *Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records*, all Applicants before the AFBCMR must first exhaust available administrative avenues of relief before applying to the AFBCMR, otherwise their AFBCMR case will be administratively closed until such time that the Applicant avails themselves of the available avenue of relief. Therefore, should the Applicant wish to appeal this decision, they must first exercise their right to make a personal appearance before the AFDRB.

Instructions on how to appeal an AFDRB decision can be found at <https://afrbaportal.azurewebsites.us>

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
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Attachment:
Examiner's Brief (Applicant Only)