IN THE CASE OF:

BOARD DATE: 21 December 2023

DOCKET NUMBER: AR20230005174

<u>APPLICANT REQUESTS</u>: correction of his DD Form 214 (Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge) to show his military occupational specialty (MOS) as 951.00 (Military Police (MP)) instead of 168.10 (Field Artillery Missile Crewman (Redstone)).

APPLICANT'S SUPPORTING DOCUMENT(S) CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD:

- DD Form 149 (Application for Correction of Military Record)
- DD Form 214 and DD Form 215 (Correction to DD Form 214)
- Certificate of Training
- Honorable Discharge Certificate

FACTS:

- 1. The applicant did not file within the 3-year time frame provided in Title 10, U.S. Code, section 1552(b); however, the Army Board for Correction of Military Records (ABCMR) conducted a substantive review of this case and determined it is in the interest of justice to excuse the applicant's failure to timely file.
- 2. The applicant states, in part:
- a. He is requesting the correction because he was trained as an MP and performed MP duties on the post's main gate. He attended MP training from January to March 1962 and then he was sent to Germany and assigned to the 630th Ordnance Company, 40th Artillery Group as MP/security guard. His duties were on the front gate in MP attire, and he went out to traffic control points for convoys traveling through towns, cities, and villages.
- b. His complaint is that his DD Form 214 does not show MOS 951.00. It shows MOS 168.10, which he was not. He has been aware of the error on his DD Form 214 for some time, but it did not bother him until now. He is getting older, and it disturbs him that he was not given proper credit for what he did in the military. He is proud to have served in the Army and he was happy with the duties assigned to him.

- 3. The applicant was inducted into the Army on 18 October 1961.
- 4. The applicant's DA Form 24 (Service Record) shows in Section 4 (Chronological Record of Military Service) he attended training at Fort Eisenhower, GA (formerly Fort Gordon), from 12 January to 9 March 1962 duty MOS 951.00.
- 5. The applicant provided a Certificate of Training, dated 9 March 1962, showing he successfully completed Advanced Individual MP Training MOS 951.00.
- 6. The applicant's DA Form 24 also shows in Section 4, he performed duties in MOS 951.00 from 26 March to 6 December 1962 while assigned to the 630th Ordnance Company and in MOS 168.00 from 7 December 1962 to 23 September 1963 while assigned to the 1st Battalion, 333rd Artillery.
- 7. The applicant's available records contain Unit Orders Number 25, dated 28 June 1963, issued by the 1st Battalion, 333rd Artillery, appointing him as acting corporal/E-4 in MOS 951.00 effective 28 June 1963.
- 8. The applicant was honorably released from active duty and transferred to the U.S. Army Reserve (USAR) on 3 October 1963. His DD Form 214, as corrected by a DD Form 215 dated 11 December 1963, shows in item 25a (Specialty Number and Title) the entry "168.10 Famsc Crwmn" [Field Artillery Missile Crewman] (Redstone).
- 9. The applicant's available records do not contain orders awarding him MOS 168.10 as his primary MOS.
- 10. The applicant provided an Honorable Discharge Certificate showing he was honorably discharged from the USAR on 30 September 1967.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

- 1. After reviewing the application, all supporting documents, and the evidence found within the military record, the Board found relief is warranted.
- 2. The Board found the evidence clearly shows the applicant was trained in MOS 951.00 and performed duty in that MOS. The evidence does not show that he was assigned MOS 168.10 as his primary MOS, though the record does show he was briefly assigned this MOS as a duty MOS only. Based on a preponderance of the evidence, the Board determined the applicant's DD Form 214 does not accurately document the applicant's MOS and should be corrected to show he held MOS 951.00.

BOARD VOTE:

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GRANT FULL RELIEF

: : GRANT PARTIAL RELIEF

: : GRANT FORMAL HEARING

: : DENY APPLICATION

BOARD DETERMINATION/RECOMMENDATION:

The Board determined the evidence presented is sufficient to warrant a recommendation for relief. As a result, the Board recommends that all Department of the Army records of the individual concerned be corrected by replacing the entry in item 25a of his DD Form 214 with "951.00 Military Police."



I certify that herein is recorded the true and complete record of the proceedings of the Army Board for Correction of Military Records in this case.

REFERENCES:

- 1. Title 10, U.S. Code, section 1552(b), provides that applications for correction of military records must be filed within 3 years after discovery of the alleged error or injustice. This provision of law also allows the ABCMR to excuse an applicant's failure to timely file within the 3-year statute of limitations if the ABCMR determines it would be in the interest of justice to do so.
- 2. Army Regulation 635-5 (Personnel Separations Separation Documents), in effect at the time, prescribed the separation documents that would be furnished to each individual separated from the Army and established standardized procedures for the preparation and distribution of these documents. The version of the regulation dated

13 August 1963, in effect at the time of the applicant's release from active duty, states that in item 25a of the DD Form 214, enter primary MOS code number and title.

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