

IN THE CASE OF: [REDACTED]

BOARD DATE: 15 December 2023

DOCKET NUMBER: AR20230007156

APPLICANT REQUESTS: correction of his DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, to show his foreign service in Grenada.

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

- DD Form 149, Application for Correction of Military Record
- Certificate of Service, Grenada
- DD Form 214

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, his foreign service in Grenada for the period 25 October 1983 to 4 November 1983 is not listed on his DD Form 214.
3. A review of the applicant's record shows he enlisted in the Regular Army on 18 June 1982.
4. Item 27, Remarks, of his DA Form 2-1, Personnel Qualification Record, shows the applicant was authorized imminent danger pay for Grenada for the period from 25 October 1983 to 4 November 1983 (10 days).
5. His records also contain:
 - a. Permanent Orders 211-128, 5 December 1983, issued by Headquarters, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, NC, which awarded him the Army Commendation Medal for his meritorious achievement during Grenada Operations from 24 October 1983 to 2 November 1983 (9 days).

b. A Certificate of Service for deploying with the 82nd Airborne Division to the country of Grenada during the period 25 October 1983 to 4 November 1983 as part of the United States Forces deployed to that country to rescue American citizens and restore a democratic form of government.

6. The applicant was released from active duty on 17 June 1984. His DD Form 214 shows in:

- Item 12f, Foreign Service, the entry "00 00 00"
- Item 18, Remarks – no foreign deployments

7. Army Regulation (AR) 635-5, Personnel Separations-Separation Documents, in effect at the time, required the total amount of foreign service completed during the period covered to be entered in Item 12f of the DD Form 214. There was no requirement to enter deployment location on the DD Form 214.

8. AR 635-8, Separation Processing and Documents, 17 October 2019, states for Regular Army Soldiers list any/all Outside the Continental United States (OCONUS) deployments completed during the period of the DD Form 214.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

After reviewing the application, all supporting documents, and the evidence found within the military record, the Board found that relief was warranted. The Board carefully considered applicant's contentions, the military record, and regulatory guidance. The Board noted that the applicant had received an ARCOM for service in Grenada and received imminent danger pay as recorded on his DD 2-1 in block 27 – Remarks. After due consideration of the applicant's request, the Board determined the evidence presented sufficient to warrant a recommendation for relief.

BOARD VOTE:

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:	:	:	GRANT PARTIAL RELIEF
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:	:	:	DENY APPLICATION

BOARD DETERMINATION/RECOMMENDATION:

The Board determined the evidence presented 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 amending the applicant’s DD Form 214 ending 3 January 2019 to show in item 18 (REMARKS):

- SERVED IN IMMINENT DANGER PAY AREA
- SERVICE IN GRENADA 831025 – 831104

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CHAIRPERSON

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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 (AR) 635-5, Personnel Separations-Separation Documents, in effect at the time, required the total amount of foreign service completed during the period covered to be entered in Item 12f of the DD Form 214. There was no requirement to enter overseas deployment locations on the DD Form 214.
3. AR 635-8, Separation Processing and Documents, 17 October 2019, states for Regular Army Soldiers list any/all Outside the Continental United States (OCONUS) deployments completed during the period of the DD Form 214. Enter in Item 18, Remarks, of the DD Form 214 "SERVICE IN (NAME OF COUNTRY DEPLOYED) FROM (inclusive dates)."

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