

ARMY BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE CASE OF: [REDACTED]

BOARD DATE: 26 July 2024

DOCKET NUMBER: AR20230013209

APPLICANT REQUESTS: correction of his DD Form 214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty) to show in:

- block 7a (Place of Entry into Active Duty): Mesquite, TX
- block 7b (Home of Record at Time of Entry): Mesquite, TX

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

- DD Form 149 (Application for Correction of Military Record)
- Master Military Pay Account Report
- Orders R-01-680055, 4 January 2006
- Leave and Earnings Statement (LES), 1-28 February 2006
- Orders R-09-686404, 12 September 2006
- DD Form 214, for the period ending 29 March 2023

FACTS:

1. The applicant states he was a U.S. Army Reserve (USAR) servicemember from 6 June 1996 to 29 January 2006. In 2005, he applied for and was granted active duty into the Active/Guard Reserve (AGR) Program. On 30 January 2006, he officially reported to his first active duty assignment with the 807th Medical Brigade. Prior to being placed on assignment, he purchased and resided in a home in Mesquite, Texas. This simple error was overlooked during the review of his DD Form 214 while out-processing by himself and the transition center. A detailed review of his entrance into the AGR program was not brought to the attention of the clerk completing his DD Form 214. He was also reassigned to a local unit shortly after in-processing.

2. The applicant provides:

a. A Master Military Pay Account record that shows the applicant's zip code for basic allowance for housing (BAH) as 30106 [Austell, GA].

b. Orders R-01-680055 issued by U.S. Army Human Resources Command on 4 January 2006, ordered the applicant to active duty in the AGR program, effective 30 January 2006. The order was addressed to the applicant in Austell, GA.

c. LES for the dates of 1-28 February 2006 that shows a change in BAH dates, effective 30 January 2006 with a BAH based on a zip code in Seagoville, Texas.

d. Orders R-09-686404 issued by U.S. Army Human Resources Command on 12 September 2006, released the applicant from the 807th Medical Brigade to the 94th Medical Hospital in Seagoville, Texas. The order was addressed to the applicant in Mesquite, Texas.

3. A review of the applicant's service record shows:

a. On 7 June 1996, the applicant signed DA Form 71 (Oath of Office – Military Personnel), appointing him as a Reserve Commissioned Officer, in the rank of second lieutenant.

b. He was released from active duty training on 1 April 1997, with an uncharacterized characterization of service. His DD Form 214 shows he completed 2 months and 20 days of active service during this period. Item 7a (Place of Entry into Active Duty) lists "Lizella, Georgia," and item 7b (Home of Record at Time of Entry) lists an address in Lizella, Georgia.

c. Orders M-198-0021 issued by Headquarters, 81st Regional Support Command, dated 17 July 2003, ordered the applicant to active duty with duty at Fort Gordon, Georgia, effective 22 July 2003. The order was addressed to the applicant at an address in Austell, Georgia.

d. He was released from active duty (REFRAD) on 12 April 2004, with an honorable characterization of service. His DD Form 214 shows he completed 8 months and 21 days of active service during this period. Item 7a (Place of Entry into Active Duty) lists "Fort Gordon, Georgia," and item 7b (Home of Record at Time of Entry) lists an address in Austell, Georgia.

e. Orders 04-135-00030 issued by U.S. Army Reserve Command, dated 14 May 2004, ordered the applicant to active duty with duty at Fort McPherson, Georgia, effective 18 May 2004. The order was addressed to the applicant at an address in Austell, Georgia.

f. He was released from active duty (REFRAD) on 29 January 2006, with an honorable characterization of service. His DD Form 214 shows he completed 1 year, 9 months and 2 days of active service during this period. Item 7a (Place of Entry into

Active Duty) lists “Austell, Georgia,” and item 7b (Home of Record at Time of Entry) lists an address in Austell, Georgia.

g. Orders R-01-680055 issued by U.S. Army Human Resources Command, dated 4 January 2006, ordered the applicant to active duty in the AGR, with a report date of 30 January 2006. The order was addressed to the applicant at an address in Austell, Georgia.

h. In orders dated 8 March 2023, the applicant was placed onto the temporary disability retirement list (TDRL), with an effective date of 30 March 2023.

i. He was honorably retired on 29 March 2023, with a narrative reason of “disability, combat related.” His DD Form 214 shows he completed 17 years and 2 months of net active service during this period. Item 7a (Place of Entry into Active Duty) lists “Austell, Georgia,” and item 7b (Home of Record at Time of Entry) lists an address in Austell, Georgia.

4. A Soldier’s appointment document is the source document for the home of record when preparing a DD Form 214, or any correction approved by HRC. List the street address, city, state, and zip code listed as the Soldier’s home of record. Home of record is the place recorded as the home of record of the Soldier when commissioned, appointed, enlisted, or ordered to a tour of active duty. This cannot be changed unless there is a break in active service of at least 1 full day, or it is determined by HRC to be factually incorrect.

#### BOARD DISCUSSION:

After reviewing the application and all supporting documents, the Board found that relief was not warranted. The Board carefully considered the applicant's record of service, documents submitted in support of the petition and executed a comprehensive review based on law, policy, and regulation. Upon review of the applicant’s petition and available military records, the Board determined the information reflected on the applicant’s DD Form 214, including his place of entry into active duty and home of record are accurate in accordance with regulatory guidance. The applicant did not have a break in service which would have allowed for amendment of his place of entry into active duty. The DD Form 214 is a summary of the Soldier's most recent period of continuous active duty. It provides a brief, clear-cut record of all current active, prior active, and prior inactive duty service at the time of release from active duty, retirement, or discharge. The information entered thereon reflects the conditions as they existed at the time of separation.

BOARD VOTE:

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| ■ | ■ | ■ | DENY APPLICATION     |

BOARD DETERMINATION/RECOMMENDATION:

The evidence presented does not demonstrate the existence of a probable error or injustice. Therefore, the Board determined the overall merits of this case are insufficient as a basis for correction of the records of the individual concerned.

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:

Army Regulation 635-8 (Separation Processing and Documents) provides the policies and procedures for separation documents. It states a Soldier's initial enlistment contract or appointment document is the source for this data.

a. For item 7a, enter the city and state where the Soldier entered active duty.

(1) RA enlisted Soldiers normally enter active duty at the military entrance processing station.

(2) Officers enter active duty in accordance with their initial order to active duty. Normally, this is a temporary duty location for attendance at the Basic Officer Leader Course or other temporary duty location (for example, in support of Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) Summer Camp or Gold Bar Recruiting duties).

(3) Soldiers who previously changed their status or component while serving on active duty, that installation where the change was made becomes the place entered active duty for this period of service. (For example, an enlisted Soldier is discharged at Fort Rucker, AL to continue on active duty as a warrant officer. Upon completion of his warrant officer active duty, his DD Form 214 would list Fort Rucker, AL as his place of entry for this period of service.)

(4) ARNG and USAR Soldiers, the active duty order for this period of service will list where the Soldier enters active duty (for example, home address, home station, mobilization station, Army installation, and so forth). Normally, this location is the first "Report to" lead line listed on the order.

b. For item 7b, list the street address, city, state, and zip code listed as the Soldier's home of record. For Reserve Component Soldiers, the active duty order lists the Soldier's home of record. Home of record is the place recorded as the home of record of the Soldier when commissioned, appointed, enlisted, or ordered to a tour of active duty. This cannot be changed unless there is a break in active service of at least 1 full day, or it is determined by the Army Human Resources Command to be factually incorrect. Home of record is not necessarily the same as the legal domicile as defined for income tax purposes. Legal domicile may change during a Soldier's career.

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