IN THE CASE OF:

BOARD DATE: 5 December 2024

DOCKET NUMBER: AR20240004986

APPLICANT REQUESTS:

• correction of his DD Form 214 (Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge) to reflect in:

- item 23a (Specialty Number and Title) he was awarded military occupational specialty (MOS) 26V4H
- item 25 (Education and Training Completed) completion of the electronics instructor course and the four courses he completed in Germany
- a personal appearance before the Board via video or telephonically

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

- DD Form 149 (Application for Correction of Military Record)
- DA Form 87 (Certificate of Training) for AN/FCC-18 Multiplexer Set Operator and Operational Maintenance Course
- DA Form 87 for AN/FRC-93 Direct Support (DS)/General Support (GS)
 Maintenance Course
- DA Form 87 for AN/GRC-66 Radio Set Operators and Operational Maintenance Course
- Headquarters (HQs), U.S. Army Personnel Center Special Orders Number 237
- DD Form 214 for service ending 25 August 1971

FACTS:

- 1. The applicant did not file within the 3-year time frame provided in Title 10, U.S. Code (USC), 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 stated he requests the correction of his DD Form 214 in item 23a to reflect he was awarded the MOS 26V4H and add in item 25 that he completed the

Electronics Instructor course and the four courses he completed in Germany at the Signal School.

- 3. The portion of the applicant's request to correct item 23a on his DD Form 214 will not be considered by the Board as his DD Form 214 already reflects his specialty as 26V4H. The course AN/GRC-66 Radio Set Operators and Operational Maintenance Course is already listed on his DD Form 214. Additionally, the applicant provided three DA Forms 87 for training which he successfully completed. These will not be considered by the board as this is sufficient evidence for a correction without action by the Board.
 - AN/FCC-18 Multiplexer Set Operator and Operational Maintenance Course, 2-weeks, 1970
 - DA Form 87 AN/FRC-93 DS/GS Maintenance Course, 1-week, 1970
- 4. A review of the applicant's service record shows:
- a. On 3 September 1968, the applicant enlisted in the Regular Army for the Strategic Microwave System Repairman (26V2O) Course.
 - b. DA Form 20 (Enlisted Qualification Record) shows in items:
 - 2 (Grade): E-5
 - 8 (Duty MOS): 26V4H
 - 22 (MOS): 26V2H, Strategic Microwave System Repairman 2 July 1969
 - 27 (Military Education):
 - System Microwave System Repairman, 26V2O, Signal Center, 23-weeks, 1969
 - AN/FCC-18 Multi Operator and Maintenance Course, Signal Center, 2weeks, 1970
 - AN/FRC-93 Maintenance Course, Signal Center, 1-week, 1970
 - AN/FCC-18, Signal Center, 2-weeks, 1970
 - AN/GRC-66 Maintenance Course, Signal Center, 5-weeks, 1970
 - 38 (Record of Assignments), shows he was assigned on:
 - 22 August 1969 in MOS 26V4H with the title of Instructor Strategic Microwave System Repairman at the U.S. Army Signal Center and School, Fort Monmouth, NJ
 - 30 March 1970 in MOS 26V4H with the title of Microwave Radio Instructor at the Signal Group 22, U.S. Army Strategic Command-Europe

- 15 January 1971 in MOS 26V4H with the title of Microwave Radio Instructor at 447th Signal Battalion U.S. Army Strategic Command -Europe
- c. On 26 June 1969, Special Orders Number 149, issued by HQs, U.S. Army Signal Center and School, the applicant was awarded primary MOS 26V2O, effective 2 July 1969.
- d. On 28 March 1970, Special Orders Number 87, issued by HQs, U.S. Personnel Center, the applicant was reassigned to the 21st Adjutant General Replacement Battalion, APO, NY, effective 2 April 1970 with the MOS 26V2H.
- e. DA Form 87 shows the applicant successfully completed the AN/FCC-18 Multiplexer Set Operator and Operational Maintenance Course during the period of 6 through 17 April 1970 given at the HQs, Signal Group 22, U.S. Army Strategic Command Europe.
- f. DA Form 87 shows the applicant successfully completed the AN/FRC-93 DS/GS Maintenance Course during the period of 4 through 12 June 1970 given at the HQs, Signal Group 22, U.S. Army Strategic Command Europe.
- g. DA Form 87 shows the applicant successfully completed the AN/GRC-66 Radio Set Operators and Operational Maintenance Course during the period of 29 June through 31 July 1970 given at the HQs, Signal Group 22, U.S. Army Strategic Command Europe.
- h. EPEEC Form 10 shows the applicant was evaluated in MOS 26V2H during the evaluation period of November 1970 with the score of P 40.
- i. On 22 July 1970, Special Orders Number 142, issued by HQs, Signal Group 22nd, U.S. Army Strategic Command Europe, the applicant was promoted to the rank/grade of specialist five/E-5 with the date of rank of 22 July 1970 in MOS 26V2H.
- j. On 25 August 1971, Special Orders Number 237, issued by HQs, U.S. Army Personnel Center, the applicant was released from active duty and assigned to the U.S. Army Reserve (USAR) Control Group (Reinforcement), effective 25 August 1971 in MOS 26V4H.
- k. On 25 August 1971, the applicant was honorably released from active duty and assigned to the USAR Control Group (Reinforcement). DD Form 214 shows the applicant completed 2-years, 11-months, and 23-days of active service. It also shows in:
 - 23a; 26V4H, Strategic Microwave Radio Instructor

- 25; Strategic Microwave System Repair, 26V2O, 23-weeks, 1969 and AN/GRC-66 Maintenance Course, 26V2O, 5-weeks, 1970
- I. The applicant's service record is void of documents showing either formal or on the job training as an instructor.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

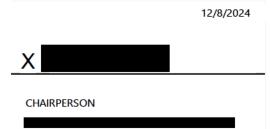
- 1. After reviewing the application, all supporting documents, and the evidence found within the military record, the Board found partial relief is warranted. The Board found the available evidence sufficient to consider this case fully and fairly without a personal appearance by the applicant.
- 2. The Board concurred with the corrections described in Administrative Note(s) below.
- 3. The Board found no evidence indicating the applicant completed an electronics instructor course. In the absence of such evidence, the Board determined there is no basis for adding the course to his DD Form 214.

BOARD VOTE:

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| : | : | : | GRANT FULL RELIEF |
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| : | : | : | GRANT FORMAL HEARING |
| : | : | : | DENY APPLICATION |

BOARD DETERMINATION/RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. The Board determined the evidence presented is sufficient to warrant a recommendation for partial relief. As a result, the Board recommends that all Department of the Army records of the individual concerned be corrected by making the corrections described in Administrative Note(s) below.
- 2. The Board further determined the evidence presented is insufficient to warrant a portion of the requested relief. As a result, the Board recommends denial of so much of the application that pertains to any relief in excess of that described above.



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.

<u>ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE(S):</u> The applicant completed training that was not listed on his DD Form 214. Please add the following to item 25:

- AN/FCC-18 Multiplexer Set Operator and Operational Maintenance Course, 2-weeks, 1970
- AN/FRC-93 Direct Support (DS)/General Support (GS) Maintenance Course, 1week, 1970

REFERENCES:

- 1. Title 10, USC, 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) 15-185 (Army Board for Correction of Military Records (ABCMR)) prescribes the policies and procedures for correction of military records by the Secretary of the Army, acting through the ABCMR. The ABCMR may, in its discretion, hold a hearing or request additional evidence or opinions. Additionally, it

states in paragraph 2-11 applicants do not have a right to a hearing before the ABCMR. The Director or the ABCMR may grant a formal hearing whenever justice requires.

- 3. AR 600-200 (Enlisted Personnel Management System) in effect at the time, prescribes policies, responsibilities and procedures pertaining to career management of Army enlisted personnel.
- a. Paragraph 2-19d, a new Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) will be awarded upon:
 - Qualification in any MOS (including prior military service)
 - Successful completion of MOS training offered by a U.S. Army service school or a training activity
 - Successful completion of on the job training pro a period of not less than 60days
 - Change MOS structure
 - Identification of civilian acquired skills having a direct MOS counterpart
 - Attaining a verifying score on an skill qualification test (SQT)
 - Withdrawal of primary MOS
- b. Paragraph 2-19f, all awards or withdrawals of MOS will be announced in publication of orders.
- c. Paragraph 2-26 (Determination of skill level for primary MOS) is a direct relationship between grade and skill level without regard to supervisory and non-supervisor skills. For other than the initial entry/trainee, there is a direct relationship between grade and skill level in the primary MOS. Under no circumstances will Soldiers possess a skill level in a primary MOS other than that specified below:
 - E1 through E4 skill level 1
 - E5 skill level 2
 - E6 skill level 3
 - E7 skill level 4
 - E8 through E9 skill level 5
- c. Paragraph 2-38, Soldiers who are qualified for the award of an authorized skill qualification identifier (SQI) will be awarded the SQI by announcement in orders. The order of precedence for recoding the SQI in the fifth position of the primary MOS or secondary MOS and for reporting the award:
 - S Special Forces
 - V Ranger Parachutist
 - P Parachutist

- M First Sergeant
- X Drill Sergeant
- G Ranger
- K Noncommissioned Officer Logistics Program
- Y Pathfinder
- H Instructor
- 4. AR 635-5 (Separation Documents), in effect at the time, prescribes the separation documents that will be furnished to each individual who is separated from the Army.
- a. Paragraph 13, all available records will be used as a basis for the preparation of the DD Form 214 including:
 - DA Form 20 (Enlisted Qualification Record)
 - DA Form 66 (Officer Qualification Record)
 - Orders
- b. Paragraph 23a and b, enter primary MOS code number and title, if the specialty represented by the MOS has a related civilian occupation, enter in item 23b the appropriate job title and code number from the dictionary of occupational titles.
- c. Paragraph 25, enter service schools, including major courses which were successfully completed, and military sponsored courses completed in civilian schools and colleges during the period covered by the DD Form 214 being prepared. This entry includes the highest civilian education level acquired during this period of military service. For enlisted personnel, enter installation training courses (qualification courses), military correspondence courses and off duty courses the enlisted person has completed successfully during the period covered by the DD Form 214 being prepared.

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