

ARMY BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE CASE OF: [REDACTED]

BOARD DATE: 12 February 2025

DOCKET NUMBER: AR20240005854

APPLICANT REQUESTS: reconsideration of her previous request for her foreign service to Saudi Arabia be added to her DD Form 214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty).

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

- DD Form 149 (Application for Correction of Military Record)
- DA Form 67-8 (Officer Evaluation Report)
- Medical Documents (7 pages)
- Official Passport
- Two Travel Vouchers
- Travel Voucher Summary
- Official Passport
- Army Board for Correction of Military Records (ABCMR) Docket Number AR20230010164

FACTS:

1. Incorporated herein by reference are military records which were summarized in the previous consideration of the applicant's case by the Army Board for Correction of Military Records (ABCMR) in Docket Number AR20230010164 on 2 April 2024.

2. The applicant states she deployed to the Persian Gulf-temporary duty to Saudi Arabi (Kuwait and Bahrain) in support of Army Central Command 15 September 1995 through 24 February 1995. Her deployment to and service in the Persian Gulf/Southwest Asia is not include on her DD Form 214. As new evidence, she has included temporary duty (TDY) Orders, a government passport, and medical records as evidence of her deployment.

3. The applicant provides:

a. A self-authored statement, 15 April 2024 shows she is requesting reconsideration of her prior case due to new evidence. It was an honor to serve.

b. Medical Record-Supplemental Medical Data Form, 12 September 1995 shows overseas assignment to endemic area: yes. Elaborate on any Yes: Saudi Arabia, Korea, and Germany.

c. Travel Voucher, 26 September 1995 shows TDY to Dharan, Saudi Arabia, arrival 15 September 1995 and departure 24 September 1995.

e. Travel Voucher Summary, 28 September 1995 shows arrival date 15 September 1995 and departure date 24 September 1995 to location Dharan, Saudi Arabia.

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

a. The applicant executed an oath of office and was appointed a Reserve commissioned officer on 30 May 1992.

b. Her Officer Record Brief, dated 20 January 1996, does not indicate any additional overseas duty aside from the 12-month tour in Korea. The applicant's service record is void of any deployment and/or mobilization orders to Saudi Arabia.

c. The applicant was honorably released from active duty on 28 June 1996 and transferred to the U.S. Army Reserve (USAR). Her DD Form 214 shows she was separated under the provisions of Army Regulation 635-100 (Officer Transfers and Discharges), Chapter 3, completion of required active service, separation code MBK. She completed 4 years of net active service this period. It also shows:

- item 12f (Foreign Service) 11 months and 2 days
- item 13 (Decorations, Medals, Badges, Citations and Campaign Ribbons Awarded or Authorized): Army Commendation Medal-2, National Defense Service Medal, and the Army Service Ribbon
- item 18 (Remarks) does not list any deployments

d. Orders D-11-445348, 18 November 2004 honorably discharged the applicant from the USAR. Effective date 1 January 2005.

5. In a prior ABCMR Docket Number AR20230010164 on 2 April 2024, the applicant requested her foreign service tours to Korea and Saudi Arabia be added to her DD Form 214. Her request was denied; except the administrative corrective action which was authorized without Board action. Based on the applicant's request to add foreign service time to Korea and Saudi Arabia, the Board noted that the evidence of record shows the applicant served in Korea from 17 December 1992 to 20 July 1993, on a permanent change of station orders, not a deployment. Since this was not a deployment, her foreign service was properly captured in item 12f (Foreign Service) of

her DD Form 214. Therefore, the Board determined that the evidence present does not demonstrate the existence of a probable error in justice.

6. The applicant was provided a DD Form 215 for an administrative correction to add the Korea Defense Service Medal and the Overseas Service Ribbon. It also added to item 12f (Foreign Service) to show "00 11 20".

7. By regulation (AR 635-5), the DD Form 214 is a synopsis of the Soldier's most recent period of continuous active duty. For an active-duty Soldier deployed with his or her unit during their continuous period of active service, enter the statement "SERVICE IN (NAME OF COUNTRY DEPLOYED) FROM (inclusive dates for example, YYYYMMDD - YYYYMMDD)" in item 18.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

1. After reviewing the application, all supporting documents, and the evidence found within the military record, 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 and standard review based on law, policy and regulation. Upon review of the applicant's petition and available military records, the Board noted the applicant's assertions that she deployed to the Persian Gulf region, including Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and Bahrain, in support of Army Central Command from 15 September 1995 through 24 September 1995. In support of her request, she submitted new documentation including TDY orders, travel vouchers, a government-issued passport, and medical records referencing overseas assignments.

2. The Board acknowledged the applicant's honorable service and appreciates her continued commitment to accuracy in her military record, however, the evidence provided does not meet the regulatory criteria for inclusion of deployment information in item 18 of the DD Form 214. Per regulatory guidance, AR 635-5, stipulates that only deployments with a unit to a designated combat zone or imminent danger area during a continuous period of active duty are to be annotated in item 18. The documentation submitted confirms a brief TDY assignment to Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, but does not establish that the applicant deployed with her unit or was mobilized under combat or contingency orders.

3. Furthermore, the applicant's Officer Record Brief (ORB) and official personnel file remain void of deployment or mobilization orders to Southwest Asia. Her foreign service is already properly reflected in item 12f of her DD Form 214, and a DD Form 215 was previously issued to correct and recognize her service in Korea with the addition of the Korea Defense Service Medal and Overseas Service Ribbon. Based on the totality of

the evidence, the Board found no error or injustice in the current record and concludes that the applicant's TDY to Saudi Arabia does not meet the threshold for inclusion as a deployment under item 18. Therefore, relief is denied.

BOARD VOTE:

<u>Mbr 1</u>	<u>Mbr 2</u>	<u>Mbr 3</u>	
:	:	:	GRANT FULL RELIEF
:	:	:	GRANT PARTIAL RELIEF
:	:	:	GRANT FORMAL HEARING
XXX	XXX	XXX	DENY APPLICATION

BOARD DETERMINATION/RECOMMENDATION:

The Board found 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 to amend the decision of the ABCMR set forth in Docket Number AR20230010164 on 2 April 2024.

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CHAIRPERSON

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. Army Regulation (AR) 635-5 (Personnel Separations - Separation Documents), prescribes the separation documents prepared for Soldiers upon retirement, discharge, or release from active military service or control of the Army. It established standardized policy for preparation of the DD Form 214. The DD Form 214 is a synopsis of the

Soldier's most recent period of continuous active duty. It provides a brief, clear-cut record of active Army service at the time of release from active duty, retirement, or discharge. It provided for entry of the total amount of foreign service completed during the period covered in item 12c (Net Active Service This Period) in item 12f. A more recent version of this regulation stated for an active-duty Soldier deployed with his or her unit during their continuous period of active service, enter the statement "SERVICE IN (NAME OF COUNTRY DEPLOYED) FROM (inclusive dates for example, YYYYMMDD - YYYYMMDD)" in item 18.

//NOTHING FOLLOWS//