

ARMY BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE CASE OF: [REDACTED]

BOARD DATE: 24 March 2025

DOCKET NUMBER: AR20240007437

APPLICANT REQUESTS: a reconsideration of his previous request for correction of his DD Form 214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty) period ending 4 February 1997, to show his home of record (HOR) as [REDACTED]

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

- DD Form 149 (Application for Correction of Military Record)
- DD Form 4/1 (Enlistment/Reenlistment Document), 2 February 1988
- DD Form 1966/2
- DD Form 214
- Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Rating Decision letter, 8 October 2021
- Memorandum, 9 October 1997

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 AR1999021835 on 6 May 1999.

2. The applicant states during his initial Army enlistment he resided with his mother at [REDACTED] This was his address when he attended high school. His DD Form 214 shows the correct zip code, but the city and state are incorrect. The DD Form 1966/2, block number 24, 25, and 26 shows his residence, high school location, and his work address at the time of his enlistment. This has caused confusion for him and his dependents when applying for TX state and VA benefits. His post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) has impacted his ability to address and follow up through with this matter.

3. The applicant provides a memorandum dated 9 October 1997 wherein he requested correction of his DD Form 214 to show the correct home of record in Euless, TX.

4. A review of the applicant's official records shows the following:

a. A DD Form 4/1 (Enlistment/Reenlistment Document - Armed Forces of the United States) shows the applicant enlisted in the Regular Army on 3 February 1989. It also shows:

- Block 3 (Home of Record): [REDACTED]
- Block 4 (Place of Enlistment): [REDACTED] MEPS

b. His DD Form 1966/2 shows in item 25 (Residences) – [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] as his current address, and [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] as his previous address.

c. He was honorably released from active duty on 4 February 1997. His DD Form 214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty) shows he completed 8 years and 2 days of active service. It also shows:

- Block 7a (Place of Entry into Active Duty): [REDACTED]
- Block 7b (Home of Record at Time of Entry): [REDACTED]

5. On 6 May 1999, in ABCMR Docket Number AR1999021835, the Board denied his request for correction of his HOR. The Board found although the applicant may have intended to establish his HOR as [REDACTED] he failed on several occasions, to make that desire known in any official manner and authenticated the HOR reflected on all pertinent documents as that of his father's address in [REDACTED]

BOARD DISCUSSION:

After reviewing the application and all supporting documents, the Board determined relief was warranted. The applicant's contentions, the military record, and regulatory guidance were carefully considered. Based upon the information annotated on the applicant's DD Form 1966 at the time of his enlistment showing both requested home or record (block 24), as well as the applicant's MEP station being [REDACTED] at the time of entry, the Board concluded there was in error in entering the home or record, which warrants correction.

BOARD VOTE:

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:XXX	:XXX	:XXX	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 Army records of the individual concerned be corrected by amending the applicant's:

- DD Form 4/1 (Enlistment/Reenlistment Document) by correcting the information reflected in block 3 (Home of Record) to reflect: [REDACTED]
- DD Form 214, blocks 7a and 7b to reflect [REDACTED]

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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. 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 635-8 (Separation Processing and Documents) states 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. Block 7b (Home of Record) states a Soldier's initial enlistment contract or appointment document is the source for this data, or any correction approved by the U.S. Army Human Resources Command (HRC). List the street address, city, state and zip code listed as the Soldier's HOR. HOR is the place recorded as the HOR of the Soldier when commissioned, appointed, enlisted or ordered to a tour of active duty.

3. The Joint Federal Travel Regulation provides that the HOR is the place recorded as the home of the individual at the time of enlistment or induction. There is no authority to change the HOR as officially recorded at time of entry into the military service. However, there is authority to correct an HOR if erroneously entered on the records at that time and then only for travel and transportation purposes. Correction of the HOR must be based on evidence that a bona fide error was made and the HOR as corrected must have been the actual home of the individual at the time of entry into the relevant period of service. It may not be a place selected for the convenience of the Soldier.

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