

ARMY BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE CASE OF: [REDACTED]

BOARD DATE: 24 June 2025

DOCKET NUMBER: AR20240010536

APPLICANT REQUESTS: correction of his DD Form 214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty) to reflect the completion of military schools, awards received and participation in military campaigns/tours to include:

- Foreign Expeditionary Medal
- Honduran Jump Wings
- National Defense Service Medal
- Army Service Ribbon
- Army Achievement Medal (second award)
- Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (second award)
- Combat Badge
- Indiana Military Voluntary Emblem (IMVE)
- Nuclear Biological Chemical (NBC) School
- Jungle School
- Participated in Operation Dragonfish II in 1984
- Participated in Operation Urgent Fury
- Served as an Acting Jack Sergeant (SGT)/E-5
- Appearance before the Board

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

- DD Form 149 (Application for Correction of Military Record)
- DA Form 2496 (Disposition Form) dated 7 February 1985, Subject: Duty Appointment; shows the applicant was appointed as the Unit Assistance NBC Noncommissioned Officer (NCO)
- DA Form 2496 dated 12 March 1985, Subject: Leadership Position Verification; shows the applicant filled a valid SGT/E5 leadership position on the Unit Manning Roaster
- DA Form 87 (Certificate of Training) shows the applicant successfully completed 11B (Infantryman) training at Fort McCoy, WI on 15 June 1990
- National Guard Bureau (NGB) Form 22 (NGB Report of Separation and Record of Service)
- Statement from Lieutenant General M-F- (Retired); stated:

- He served with the applicant
- He can attest to the applicant's following service:
 - Deployed to Grenada during the period of 28 October through 19 November 1983 in support of Operation Urgent Fury
 - Deployed to Honduras during the period of 5 through 19 January 1984 in support of Operation Dragonfish
 - Completed 5 static line airborne jumps from a C-47 during Operation Dragonfish, earning the Honduran Jump Wings
 - Served as the NBC NCO on 7 February 1985 upon completion of the NBC School at Fort Bragg, NC
 - Temporarily promoted to the rank/grade of SGT/E5
 - Completed Jungle School at Fort Sherman, Panama during the period of 15 October through 20 December 1984
- Statement from Sergeant First Class R-W- (Retired); stated:
 - He served with the applicant
 - He can attest to the applicant's following service:
 - Served on the Expeditionary Force during the invasion of Grenada in 1983
 - Graduated from Jungle School
 - Attended the NBC Warfare School
 - Temporarily promoted to the rank/grade of SGT/E5
 - Assigned as the NBC NCO
 - Served in Honduras in support of Operation Dragonfish II
 - Completed 5 jumps from a C-47, qualifying him for Honduran Jump Wings
 - Completed Jungle School in Panama
- Statement from Master Sergeant C-S- (Retired); stated:
 - He served with the applicant
 - He can attest to the applicant's following service:
 - Deployed to Grenada in support of Operation Urgent Fury during the period of 28 October through 19 November 1983
 - Deployed to Honduras in support of Operation Dragonfish during the period of 5 through 19 January 1984
 - Completed 5 basic static line airborne jumps from a C-47, earning Honduran Jump Wings while supporting Operation Dragonfish
 - Served as the NBC NCO on 7 February 1985 upon completion of the NBC School at Fort Bragg, NC
 - Temporarily promoted to the rank/grade of SGT/E5
 - Completed Jungle School at Fort Sherman, Panama during the period of 15 October through 20 December 1984

- Department of Veterans Affairs letter dated 1 August 2024 informing the applicant of his summary of benefits for his service connected disabilities

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 AR20180008138 on 16 January 2020. Upon reviewing the application, supporting documents and the evidence found within the service record, the Board found that relief was not warranted. The Board found no evidence to support the award of the Purple Heart, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal or adding the schools the applicant listed. It is up to the applicant to provide the evidence to support that the school training was completed; there is insufficient evidence to grant relief.

2. The applicant states:

- He requests the correction of his DD Form 214 for a legacy for his children and grandchildren
- He wants the DD Form 214 to represent the achievements and patriotic actions he performed while serving this great nation
- He would like to see the correction completed as he is starting to show signs of Parkinson's disease
- The correction was needed for a mortgage refinance
- He participated in Operation Urgent Fury
- He participated in Operation Dragonfish II
- Completed, NBC School and Jungle School
- Completed 5 parachute jumps in Honduras
- Awarded the following awards and decorations:
 - Combat Badge
 - Foreign Expeditionary Medal
 - Honduran Jump Wings
 - National Defense Service Medal
 - Army Service Ribbon
 - Army Achievement Medal (second award)
 - Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (second award)
 - IMVE
- Served as an Acting Jack SGT/E5
- A personal appearance before the Board

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

- DA Form 2-1 (Personnel Qualification Record) shows in:
 - Item 5 (Overseas Service): entry is blank
 - Item 6 (Military Occupational Specialty (MOS): 98G (Electronic Warfare Secure Integrated Global Network Voice Interceptor (EW/SIGNET Voice Interceptor))
 - Item 9 (Awards, Decorations and Campaigns):
 - Parachutist Badge
 - Army Service Ribbon
 - Army Good Conduct Medal
 - Army Achievement Medal
 - Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon
 - Sharpshooter Marksmanship Qualification Badge with Rifle Bar
 - Expert Marksmanship Qualification Badge with Grenade Bar
 - Item 17 (Civilian Education and Military Schools): NBC Course, 2-weeks in 1984 and Primary Leadership Development Course, 4-weeks in 1985 at Fort Bragg, NC
 - Item 18 (Appointments and Reductions): private first class with the date of rank of 4 February 1983 and specialist four (SP4) with the date of rank of 1 March 1984
 - Item 35 (Record of Assignments): 98G skill level 2 as the EW/SIGNIT Voice Interceptor for Alpha Company, 313th Military Intelligence Battalion during the period of 9 September 1983 through 10 September 1986
- On 4 February 1983, he enlisted in the Regular Army
- On 26 August 1983, he was awarded the Parachute Badge by Orders Number 156-12 dated 19 August 1983
- On 9 September 1983, he was assigned to Alpha Company, 313th Military Intelligence Battalion by Orders Number 168-45 dated 8 September 1983
- On 1 March 1984, he was advanced to the rank/grade SP4/E4 with the same date of rank by Orders Number 41-170 dated 1 March 1984
- On 24 August 1984, he received the Certificate of Achievement for meritorious performance during the period of 5 through 19 January 1984
- During the period of 10 through 21 September 1984 he successfully completed the NBC Officer/NCO Course, 14-84 at the NBC School, Fort Bragg, NC
- During the period of 4 February 1983 through 3 February 1985 he was awarded the Army Good Conduct Medal by Orders Number 192-225 dated 7 November 1984
- During the period of 15 October through 20 December 1984 he was awarded the Army Achievement Medal by Permanent Orders Number 45-63 dated 7 March 1985

- During the period of 20 May through 18 June 1985, he exceeded course standards for the Primary Leadership Development Course at the NCO Academy, Fort Bragg, NC
- On 13 November 1985, he accepted nonjudicial punishment for failure to report to his appointed place of duty, his punishment included oral reprimand and 4-days of extra duty
- On 22 November 1985, he was issued a permanent physical medical profile for his torn right trapezius with the limitation of no parachute jumping
- On 25 November 1985, his parachute duty was terminated due to his medical airborne terminate and the special qualification identifier parachutist "P" was withdrawn from his MOS by Orders Number 236-92 dated 19 December 1985
- On 9 July 1986, he accepted nonjudicial punishment for failure to maintain sufficient funds to pay his debts, his punishment included 14-days extra duty and restriction and a commanders letter of counseling
- On 25 August 1986, his commander notified him he was being considered for administrative separation for unsatisfactory performance which he acknowledged the notification
- On 25 August 1986, after consultation with counsel, he:
 - He waived consideration by a board of officers
 - He waived a personal appearance before a board of officers
 - He submitted statements in his own behalf
 - He waived representation by counsel
 - He may expect to encounter substantial prejudice in civilian life
 - He may be ineligible for many or all benefits as a Veteran under both Federal and State laws
 - He may apply to the Army Discharge Review Board or the Army Board for Correction of Military Records to upgrade his character of service
 - Consideration by either board does not imply the request would be approved
- His commander initiated the separation process for his unsatisfactory performance (document was not dated)
- On 3 September 1986, the separation authority approved his discharge from active duty for unsatisfactory performance and directed he be issued an honorable character of service
- On 11 September 1986, he was assigned to the U. S. Army transition point for discharged from active duty by Orders Number 169-6 dated 10 September 1986
- On 11 September 1986, he was honorably discharged from active duty for unsatisfactory performance and assigned to the U. S. Army Reserve (USAR) Control Group (Reinforcement), DD Form 214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty) shows in:
 - Item 4a (Grade, Rate or Rank): SP4
 - Item 4b (Pay Grade): E4

- Item 12f (Foreign Service): 0-years, 0-months and 0-days
 - Item 12h (Effective Date of Pay Grade): 1 March 1984
 - Item 13 (Decorations, Medals, Badges, Citations and Campaign Ribbons Awarded or Authorized):
 - Army Service Ribbon
 - Parachute Badge
 - Sharpshooter Marksmanship Qualification Badge with Rifle Bar (M16)
 - Expert Marksmanship Qualification Badge with Grenade Bar
 - Army Good Conduct Medal
 - Army Achievement Medal
 - NCO Professional Development Ribbon
 - Item 14 (Military Education):
 - Primary Leadership Development Course
 - EW SIGINT Voice Interceptor Course
 - Item 18 (Remarks): is void of any deployments Outside the Continental U.S. and/or support of operations
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- On 3 February 1989, he was honorably discharged from the USAR by Orders Number D-02-012222 dated 1 February 1989
 - On 2 November 1989, he enlisted in the USAR in the rank/grade SP4/E4
 - On 21 June 1990, he enlisted in the Army National Guard of the United States (ARNGUS) in the rank/grade of Specialist (SPC)/E4
 - On 30 January 1991, by Orders Number 1-1 dated 25 January 1991, he was awarded the:
 - Primary MOS 19E (Armor Crewman)
 - Secondary MOS 11B
 - Additional MOS 98G
 - On 12 July 1993, by Orders Number 3-2 dated 26 January 1994, he was awarded the:
 - Primary MOS 11B
 - Secondary MOS 19E
 - On 1 June 1996, he reenlisted in the ARNGUS for 6-years in the rank/grade SPC/E4
 - On 15 September 1998, he was honorably discharged from the ARNGUS and assigned to the USAR Control Group (Reinforcement) by Orders Number 186-002 dated 1 September 1998
 - NGB Form 22 (NGB Report of Separation and Record of Service) shows in:
 - Item 5a (Rank): SPC
 - Item 5b (Pay Grade): E4
 - Item 6 (Date of Rank): 29 November 1984

- Item 12 (Military Education):
 - Primary Leadership Development Course, 4-weeks, June 1985
 - EW-SIGNIT Interceptor, 2-weeks, July 1983
 - NBC Officer/NCO School, 2-weeks, September 1984
 - Armor Crewman, 2-weeks, October 1990
 - M60A3 Detachment, 8-weeks, October 1990
 - MANPADS Crewman, 2-weeks, April 1996
- Item 15 (Decorations, Medals, Badges, Commendations, Citations and Campaign Ribbons Awarded):
 - National Defense Service Medal
 - Army Service Ribbon
 - Parachutist Badge
 - Army Achievement Medal (second award)
 - Army Good Conduct Medal
 - Indiana Military Voluntary Emblem (IMVE)
 - Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (second award)
 - Expert Marksmanship Qualification Badge with Rifle Bar (M16)
 - NCO Professional Development Ribbon
 - Expert Marksmanship Qualification Badge with Grenade Bar
- On 23 July 2002, he was honorably discharged from the USAR by Orders Number D-04-217026 dated 19 April 2002

BOARD DISCUSSION:

1. After reviewing the application, all supporting documents, and the evidence found within the military record, the Board found that partial relief was 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. The evidence of record shows there is insufficient evidence to show, during his time on active duty that he received the Honduran Air Wings. In addition, the Foreign Expeditionary Medal is not found in Army Regulation to warrant receiving the medal; however, the applicant served during a period to warrant the National Defense Service Medal based upon his period of service, and the award of the Army Service Ribbon is already listed on his DD Form 214 for the period ending 11 September 1986.

2. After reviewing the application, all supporting documents, and the evidence found within the military record, the Board found that relief was not warranted for the applicant's DD Form 214 to be amended to show he was awarded the Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (second award), Combat Badge, Indiana Military Voluntary Emblem (IMVE) or to show he completed the Jungle School, or participated in Operation Dragonfish II in 1984 and Operation Urgent Fury or that he served as an

Acting Jack Sergeant (SGT)/E-5 . The Board did not find documentary evidence that clearly or explicitly shows he met the criteria for award of the Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (second award) or the Combat Badge, or that he completed or received the Honduran Jump Wings. The Board also concurred that there was enough information to add the NBC schooling through administrative notes section of this document without Board action.

3. However, the Board also noted that the applicant already has the National Defense Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, the Army Achievement Medal (second award), and the Indiana Military Voluntary Emblem (IMVE) on his NGB Form 22 for his service in the ARNG.

3. The applicant's request for a personal appearance hearing was carefully considered. In this case, the evidence of record was sufficient to render a fair and equitable decision. As a result, a personal appearance hearing is not necessary to serve the interest of equity and justice in this case.

4. A review of the applicant's service record shows he is authorized an amendment to his DD Form 214 to reflect additional military education. As a result, amend his DD Form 214 for the period 4 February 1983 through 11 September 1986, by adding the following: Nuclear, Biological and Chemical (NBC) Officer / Noncommissioned Officer Course, 1-week, September 1984 to item 14 (Military Education).

BOARD VOTE:

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:	:	:	GRANT FULL RELIEF
XXX	XXX	XXX	GRANT PARTIAL RELIEF
:	:	:	GRANT FORMAL HEARING
:	:	:	DENY APPLICATION

BOARD DETERMINATION/RECOMMENDATION:

1. The Board determined the evidence presented is sufficient to warrant amendment of the ABCMR's decision in Docket Number AR20180008138 on 16 January 2020. 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, for the period

ending 11 September 1986 to show he was awarded the National Defense Service Medal and the Army Service Ribbon.

2. The Board further determined that 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 the remaining awards, schools, promotions, or participation in Army operations.

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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.

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE(S):

1. Reference the enclosed request for correction of military records from the subject individual to correct his DD Form 214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty) for the period of service 4 February 1983 through 11 September 1986, by adding the following: Nuclear, Biological and Chemical (NBC) Officer / Noncommissioned Officer Course, 1-week, September 1984 to item 14 (Military Education).
2. Please correct the applicant's DD Form 214 by adding the item shown in paragraph 1 above. Provide the applicant a copy of the corrections, and as applicable the medals and citations. Please ensure that the corrections are recorded in the applicant's official military personnel record.

REFERENCES:

1. Army Regulation (AR) 15-185 (ABCMR) prescribes the policies and procedures for correction of military records by the Secretary of the Army, acting through the ABCMR.
 - a. Paragraph 2-9 contains guidance on the burden of proof. It states the ABCMR begins its consideration of each case with the presumption of administrative regularity, which is that what the Army did was correct.
 - b. The ABCMR is not an investigative body and decides cases based on the evidence that is presented in the military records provided and the independent

evidence submitted with the application. The applicant has the burden of proving an error or injustice by a preponderance of the evidence. The ABCMR is neither a records repository nor custodian of military records. The applicant has contacted AHRC previously and they have instructed him several times what to provide to update his records.

c. ABCMR members will review all applications that are properly before them to determine the existence of an error or injustice; direct or recommend changes in military records to correct the error or injustice, if persuaded that material error or injustice exists and that sufficient evidence exists on the record. The ABCMR will decide cases on the evidence of record. It is not an investigative body. The ABCMR may, in its discretion, hold a hearing. Applicants do not have a right to a hearing before the ABCMR. The Director or the ABCMR may grant a formal hearing whenever justice require.

2. AR 600-8-22 (Military Awards) currently in effect, prescribes Department of the Army (DA) policy, criteria, and procedures for individual and unit military awards and foreign decorations and badges.

a. The Foreign Expeditionary Medal is not shown as a valid award or decoration in this regulation.

b. Paragraph 2-10 (National Defense Service Medal), the NDSM may be awarded for both active and reserve service. b. It is awarded for honorable active service for any period between (dates inclusive): (1) 27 June 1950 and 27 July 1954 (Korea). (2) 1 January 1961 and 14 August 1974 (Vietnam). (3) 2 August 1990 and 30 November 1995 (Persian Gulf). (4) 11 September 2001 to 30 December 2022 (GWOT). c. During the periods listed in paragraphs 2-11b(1) and 2-11b(2) for Korea and Vietnam, Servicemembers in the following categories will not be eligible for the NDSM: (1) Members of the ARNG and USAR on short tours of duty to fulfill training obligations under an inactive duty training program. (2) Any Servicemember on temporary duty (TDY) or temporary active duty to serve on boards, courts, commissions, and like organizations. (3) Any servicemember on active duty for the sole purpose of undergoing a physical examination. d. During the period listed in paragraph 2-10b(3) for Persian Gulf, servicemembers on active duty, members of the Selected Reserve in good standing, and Servicemembers of other than the Selected Reserve who were called to active duty will also be eligible. Servicemembers in the following categories will not be eligible for the NDSM: (1) Any Servicemember on active duty for the sole purpose of undergoing a physical examination. (2) Any Soldier of the Individual Ready Reserve, Inactive National Guard, or the Standby or Retired Reserve whose active duty service was for training only or to serve on boards, courts, commissions, and like organizations. e. During the period listed in paragraph 2-10b(4) for GWOT,

servicemembers on active duty, which includes extended eligibility for award of the NDSM to the Selected Reserve in good standing will also be eligible.

c. Paragraph 2-12 (Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (AFEM)) is authorized for qualifying service after 1 July 1958 in military operations within a specific geographic area during specified time periods. An individual, who was not engaged in actual combat or equally hazardous activity, must have been a bona fide member of a unit participating in, or be engaged in the direct support of, the operation for 30 consecutive or 60 nonconsecutive days provided this support involved entering the area of operations. Operations for which the AFEM is authorized are listed in Tables 2-2, 2-3, and 2-4. Table C-3 does show authorization for the AFEM for military operations in Grenada Operation Urgent Fury -the qualifying criteria for non-unit direct support personnel in Grenada are 6 consecutive days or 12 nonconsecutive days.

d. Paragraph 3-20 (Army Achievement Medal), the AAM is awarded to any member of the Armed Forces of the United States, or to any member of the armed forces of a friendly foreign nation, who distinguished themselves by meritorious service or achievement of a lesser degree than required for award of the ARCOM. Effective 11 September 2001 to a date to be determined, the DCS, G -1 granted an exception to policy to award the AAM in a combat theater for noncombat meritorious achievement and service for the GWOT era.

e. Paragraph 4-12 (Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal), personnel eligible for the Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal The ARCAM is authorized for award to Army personnel in the rank of COL/O-6 and below. The individual must have been a member of an ARNG unit or USAR TPU. The medal is also awarded to USAR Soldiers serving as IMAs after completing qualifying service and on recommendation of the unit commander or HQDA official to which the IMA is assigned. AGR Soldiers and officers are not authorized award of the ARCAM. AGR Soldiers (enlisted) are eligible for the AGCM. It is awarded for exemplary behavior, efficiency, and fidelity while serving as a member of an ARNG unit or USAR TPU or as an IMA. Orders are not published for the award of this medal. ARCAM approval is announced using an official memorandum, pursuant to mandatory procedures prescribed in table E-3. The records custodian will annotate the Soldier's records and place the memorandum in the Soldier's AMHRR. The Soldier is responsible to ensure their personnel record reflects the award of the ARCAM.

f. Paragraph 8-6 (Combat Infantryman Badge), The definition of requirement to be "engaged in active ground combat" has generated much dialogue over the years as to the original intent of the CIB. The intent has been clarified over time as being personally present, under fire, and engaging in action against the enemy in ground forces combat. It is not awarded for battle participation credit. b. For award of the CIB, a Soldier must meet the following three requirements: (1) Be an infantry Soldier satisfactorily

performing infantry duties. Enlisted Soldier has satisfactorily performed duty while assigned or attached as a member of an infantry, ranger, or SF unit of either a brigade, regimental, or smaller size during any period such unit was engaged in active ground combat. Actively participate in such ground combat. Campaign or battle credit alone is not sufficient for award of the CIB. Table 8-2 (Qualifying Conflicts and Periods for Award of Combat Badges) lists Grenada during the period of 23 October through 21 November 1983 eligible for the Combat Infantryman Badge and the Combat Medical Badge. Honduras is not authorized.

g. Paragraph 9-26 (Foreign badges), qualification and special skill badges may be accepted if awarded in recognition of meeting the criteria, as established by the foreign government concerned, for the specific award. Only those badges that are awarded in recognition of military activities conducted by the military department of the host country are authorized for acceptance and permanent wear. Badges that do not meet these criteria may be authorized for acceptance but not for wear. Of particular importance are the criteria established by the military department of the host country. For example, if a particular badge is authorized for award only to enlisted personnel of host country, then the badge may be accepted and worn by U.S. Army enlisted personnel. d. Official records. Foreign badges are not annotated in an individual's Soldier's record brief or entered on DD Form 214. The approved memorandum for acceptance and wear of foreign badges endorsed by the approval authority, to include a copy of the certificate and its supporting documents, will be entered in the AMHRR of the recipient. e. Foreign airborne training. Soldiers not currently assigned to airborne duty but who have completed basic airborne training are prohibited from attending foreign airborne training courses, participating in foreign airborne operations, or wearing of foreign parachute badges. However, exceptions are permitted under the Army Permissive Parachuting and Training Program (see AR 350-1). Soldiers who are awarded a foreign airborne badge under this status may accept or wear the badge if authorized by this regulation.

3. AR 600-200 (Enlisted Personnel Management System) in effect at the time, prescribes the policies and procedures governing promotion, reduction, and lateral appointment of all enlisted personnel on active duty.

a. Paragraph 7-48, company, troop, battery, and separate detachment commanders may appoint qualified Soldiers as acting corporals, E-4, and sergeants, E-5. They will serve in vacant positions in their units at their present or higher grade. This includes those caused by temporary absences of assigned NCOs. For acting corporal, E-4, and sergeant, E-5, the Soldier may not be more than one grade lower than the one to which appointed.

b. Paragraph 7-52, acting NCOs are not entitled to pay and allowances for such higher grades. Services will not be credited as time in a higher grade for promotion or DOR purposes.

c. Paragraph 7-64 (Announcement and termination of appointment), appointment of acting NCO will be announced on DA Form 2496 (Disposition Form). (See procedure 7-10, DA Pun 600-8.) DA Form 2496 will be retained at unit or higher level headquarters until appointment to terminated. Appointment may be terminated at the discretion of the appointing unit commander. An acting NCO's status will automatically terminate as follows:

- On assignment of a regularly promoted NCO to the position
- When casual groups reach their destination
- On reassignment from Drill Sergeant duties
- On reassignment to another unit

4. AR 635-5 (Separation Documents) establishes the standardized policy for preparing and distributing the DD Form 214. The regulation directs that the purpose of the separation document is to provide the individual with documentary evidence of his or her military service. It is important that information entered on the form be complete and accurate.

a. Block 12f (Foreign Service) shows the total active duty performed outside the continental limits of the United States for the period covered by the DD Form 214. For a Soldier deployed with his or her unit during their continuous period of active service.

b. Block 13, "Self-explanatory."

c. Block 14, list all formal, in-service (full time attendance) training courses successfully completed during the period of service covered by the DD Form 214 of at least 1 week or 40 hours duration. Include course title, length in weeks, and year completed. This information is to assist the Soldier in job placement and counseling; therefore, do not list training courses for combat skills.

d. Item 18, use the remarks section for entries required by Headquarters, Department of the Army for which a separate item is not available on the form and for completing entries that are too long for their blocks. When completing a long entry, place the item number before the rest of the comment. [This version of the regulation did not provide for adding deployments to the DD Form 214].

4. AR 635-8 (Separation Processing and Documents), currently in effect, explains separation document preparation and outlines the type of entries that must be entered into each block of the DD Form 214. This regulation directs:

a. Block 12f: (Foreign Service), Enter the total amount of service performed outside the continental United States (OCONUS) during the period covered in block 12c to include deployments. Additionally, list periods of deployed service in block 18.

b. Block 13: (Decorations, Medals, Badges, Citations, and Campaign Ribbons Awarded or Authorized), List all federally recognized awards and decorations for all periods of service.

c. Block 14: (Military Education), List all formal, in-service (full-time attendance) training courses successfully completed during the period of service covered by the DD Form 214 of at least 1-week or 40-hours duration. Acceptable source documents include the enlisted record brief, DA Form 4037 (Officer Record Brief), DA Form 1059 (Service School Academic Evaluation Report), or other military issued certificate of completion with from and through dates or number of weeks.

c. Block 18, for active duty Soldiers deployed with their unit during their continuous period of active service, enter the statement "SERVICE IN (NAME OF COUNTRY DEPLOYED) FROM (inclusive dates)."

5. By law Title 38, U.S. Code, VA decisions and/or actions, including entitlements, benefits, and other actions are not within the purview of this Board and questions or concerns regarding entitlements and/or appeals should be referred to that Agency.

//NOTHING FOLLOWS//