

ARMY BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE CASE OF: [REDACTED]

BOARD DATE: 6 August 2025

DOCKET NUMBER: AR20250000924

APPLICANT REQUESTS: adding the military occupational specialty (MOS) 38B (Civil Affairs Specialist) to his DD Form 214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty), for the period ending 27 November 2008.

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

- DD Form 149 (Application for Correction of Military Record)
- Orders Number 291-104, 18 October 2007
- DA Form 1059 (Service School Academic Evaluation Report), period 22 October to 18 November 2007
- DD Form 214, for the period ending 27 November 2008

FACTS:

1. The applicant did not file within the 3-year time frame provided in Title 10, U.S. Code, 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 requests correction of his DD Form 214 to show his MOS as 38B, Civil Affairs Specialist. He completed the Civil Affairs Course.
3. The applicant provides:
  - a. Orders Number 291-14, 18 October 2007, that shows his primary MOS as 38B.
  - b. A DA Form 1059 (Service School Academic Evaluation Report) shows the applicant completed course title 38B, Civil Affairs Course, for the period 22 October 2007 to 18 November 2007.
  - c. A DD Form 214 for the period ending 27 November 2008, shows his MOS is listed as 11B.
4. A review of the applicant's record shows the following:

- a. Having had prior service in the U.S. Army Reserve (USAR), he enlisted in the Regular Army on 25 October 2001.
- b. His DA Form 2-1 (Personnel Qualification Record) shows in item 6 (MOS) his MOS as 11B, Infantryman with a completion year of 2002.
- c. He was honorably released on 24 October 2004. His DD Form 214 shows he completed 3 years of active-duty service. Block 11 (Primary Specialty) is listed as 11B, Infantryman, 2 years-8 months.
- d. He reenlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve and was ordered to a period of active duty service.
- e. His DD Form 214, for the period ending 27 November 2008, shows he entered active duty this period on 9 October 2007. He was honorably released after completion of 1 year, 1 month, and 19 days of active-duty service. His MOS is listed as 11B.

#### BOARD DISCUSSION:

After reviewing the application, all supporting documents, and the evidence found within the military record, the Board found that relief was 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. The Board determined there is sufficient evidence to support the applicant's contentions for correction of his DD Form 214 to reflect he was awarded the MOS 38B (Civil Affairs Specialist). Evidence shows the applicant was awarded the MOS of 38B on 18 November 2007. Based on this, the Board granted relief.



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 Documents) currently in effect, prescribes the separation documents prepared for Soldiers upon retirement, discharge, or release from active military service or control of the Army. Block 11: (Primary Specialty), state to enter the titles of all MOSs or areas of concentration (AOCs) awarded and held for at least 1 year during the current period of service and include for each MOS/AOC the number of years and months held. For time determinations, 16 or more days counts as a month. Do not count time in training (basic training, advanced individual training, Basic Officer's Leader Course, or MOS-producing school). Primary specialty MOS or AOC is awarded by Service school completion or by publication of orders awarding the MOS or AOC.

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