DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

Application for the Correction of the Coast Guard Record of:

FINAL DECISION BCMR Docket No. 2001-122

SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

The applicant asked the Board to correct his record to show that he reenlisted for 6 years on his 10th anniversary on active duty, March 5, 2001, instead of reenlisting on May 7, 2001. He alleged that he was never counseled about his eligibility to reenlist on that day to receive the selective reenlistment bonus (SRB) in effect for his rating under ALCOAST 488/00. He alleged that if he had been timely counseled, he would have reenlisted for 6 years to receive the SRB. He submitted a letter from his commanding officer confirming his allegation that he had not been counseled. There is no documentation of 10th anniversary SRB counseling in his record.

On December 27, 2001, the Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard recommended that the Board grant the applicant's request. He argued that the record supports the applicant's allegation that he was not timely counseled about his eligibility to reenlist for the SRB.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Under COMDTINST 7220.33, the applicant was entitled to proper and timely counseling concerning ALCOAST 488/00 and his eligibility to reenlist for an SRB on his 10th anniversary. The record indicates that he was not counseled and that, if he had been, he would have reenlisted for 6 years on March 5, 2001. Accordingly, relief should be granted by correcting his record to show that he reenlisted for 6 years on March 5, 2001, and by voiding his subsequent contract.

ORDER

The military record of xxxxxxxxxxxxx, USCG, shall be corrected to show that he reenlisted for 6 years on his 10th active duty anniversary, March 5, 2001, to receive an SRB under ALCOAST 488/00. The reenlistment contract he signed on May 7, 2001, shall be null and void. The Coast Guard shall pay him the amount due as a result of this correction.

June 20, 2002 Date

