DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

Application for Correction of Coast Guard Record of:

BCMR Docket No. 2002-010

FINAL DECISION

The applicant asked the Board to correct his record to show that he reenlisted for six years on October 7, 2001, his tenth anniversary on active duty, so that he would be eligible for a Zone B selective reenlistment bonus (SRB), pursuant to ALCOAST 127/01. There are no counseling entries in the applicant's record advising him of his right to reenlist, within three months of his tenth active duty anniversary for an SRB, as required by regulation.

The Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard stated that the applicant was not counseled about his eligibility to reenlist for a Zone B SRB on his tenth anniversary on active duty. Therefore, he recommended that the Board grant the requested relief by correcting the applicant's record to show that he reenlisted on October 7, 2001 for six years so that he would be eligible for a Zone B SRB with a multiple of 1, pursuant to ALCOAST 127/01.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The Coast Guard committed an error by not counseling the applicant about his opportunity to receive a Zone B SRB on his tenth anniversary on active duty, as required by regulation. COMDTINST 7220.33 gives enlisted members the right to reenlist on their tenth active duty anniversary to obtain an SRB. Accordingly, the applicant's request for relief should be granted.

ORDER

<u>July 22, 2002</u> Date



