DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

Application for the Correction of the Coast Guard Record of:

FINAL DECISION BCMR Docket No. 2002-030

XXXXXX, XXXXXX X. XXX XX XXXX, XXX

SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

The applicant asked the Board to correct his record to show that he reenlisted for four years on July 9, 2001, his tenth-year anniversary on active duty, to obtain a Zone B selective reenlistment bonus (SRB). He alleged that he was never counseled about his eligibility under ALCOAST 127/01 to receive an SRB by reenlisting on that date, and provided a statement from his executive officer (XO) stating the same. He further alleged that if he had been properly counseled, he would have reenlisted on his tenth service anniversary for four years to receive the SRB. There is no documentation of tenth anniversary SRB counseling in the applicant's record.

On May 31, 2002, the Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard recommended that the Board grant the applicant's request for relief. He stated that the record supports the applicant's allegation that he was not counseled.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Under COMDTINST 7220.33, the applicant was entitled to proper counseling concerning his eligibility to reenlist to receive a Zone B SRB. The applicant has proved that Coast Guard failed to counsel him with respect to reenlisting on his tenth active duty anniversary for the purpose of receiving an SRB. The Coast Guard also failed to document its counseling on a page 7, as required by regulation. Accordingly, the applicant should be granted relief.

ORDER

The application of XXX XXXXXX X. XXXXXX, USCG, for the correction of his military record is granted. His record shall be corrected to show that on October 31, 2001, he reenlisted for four years to receive a Zone B SRB, in accordance with the special provisions in ALCOASTs 127/01 and 198/01. The Coast Guard shall pay the applicant the amount due as a result of this correction.

<u>September 26, 2002</u> Date

