DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

Application for the Correction of
the Coast Guard Record of:

FINAL DECISION
BCMR Docket No. 2002-063

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SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

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The applicant asked the Board to correct his record to show that he reenlisted on his 6th active duty anniversary to receive a Zone A selective reenlistment bonus (SRB) in accordance with ALCOAST 127/01. He alleged that he was never counseled about his eligibility for the SRB and that, if he had been, he would have reenlisted. His record does not contain documentation of SRB counseling prior to his 6th anniversary. Letters signed by his commanding officer and a yeoman at his unit state that he was not timely counseled about his eligibility on his 6th anniversary because of a miscalculation of his prior service and that, when the error was later discovered, the applicant promptly stated that he wanted to reenlist for the bonus.

The Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard recommended that the Board grant the applicant's request because the record supports his allegation that he was not timely counseled.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Under COMDTINST 7220.33, the applicant was entitled to timely counseling concerning his eligibility for an SRB on his 6th anniversary. Under COMDTINST 7220.33 and ALCOAST 127/01, he was eligible to reenlist for 3, 4, 5, or 6 years to receive a Zone A SRB on the anniversary. The Board finds that he was not timely counseled and that, if he had been, he would have reenlisted to receive the SRB. Accordingly, relief should be granted.

ORDER

The military record of xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, USCG, shall be corrected to show that he reenlisted on his 6th active duty anniversary for 3, 4, 5, or 6 years, at his discretion, to receive a Zone A SRB as provided under ALCOAST 127/01. Any other reenlistment or extension contract he may have signed since his 6th anniversary shall be null and void. The Coast Guard shall pay him the amount due as a result of this correction.

December 31, 2002
Date

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