## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

Application for Correction of Coast Guard Record of:

BCMR Docket No. 2002-100

## FINAL DECISION

The applicant asked the Board to correct his record to show that he reenlisted on May 22, 2001, his sixth active duty anniversary, for a Zone A SRB (selective reenlistment bonus). The applicant stated that the Coast Guard did not counsel him that he could reenlist on his sixth active duty anniversary to obtain a Zone A SRB.

The Chief Counsel stated that the applicant was not counseled about his eligibility to reenlist for a Zone A SRB on his sixth 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 May 22, 2001 for the purpose of obtaining a Zone A SRB with a multiple of .5, pursuant to ALDIST 127/01. The applicant agreed with the Chief Counsel's recommendation for relief.

## FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The Board agrees with the comments and recommendation of the Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard and finds that the Coast Guard committed an error by not counseling the applicant about the opportunity for an SRB on his sixth anniversary on active duty, which occurred on May 22, 2001. Although the applicant's sixth-year active duty anniversary date occurred on May 22, 2001, he should be reenlisted on October 31, 2001, under the special provision contained in ALCOAST 198/01 and receive the SRB multiple listed in ALCOAST 127/01. Accordingly, the applicant should be granted relief.

## ORDER

The application of USCG, for correction of his military record is granted. His record shall be corrected to show that pursuant to ALCOASTs 198/01 and 127/01, he reenlisted for four years on October 31, 2001, and is entitled a Zone A SRB with the appropriate multiple for his sixth active duty anniversary that occurred on May 22, 2001. The applicant's four-year reenlistment contract dated January 31, 2002 shall be null and void. The Coast Guard shall pay the applicant the amount due him because of this correction.

<u>February 4, 2003</u> Date