DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

Application for the Correction of
the Coast Guard Record of:

FINAL DECISION
BCMR Docket No. 2002-125

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SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

███████████ **Deputy Chair:**

The applicant asked the Board to correct his record to show that he reenlisted for 6 years on his 6th active duty anniversary, October 4, 2000, to receive a Zone A selective reenlistment bonus (SRB) in accordance with ALCOAST 218/00. He alleged that he was not timely counseled about his eligibility for the SRB and that, if he had been, he would have reenlisted for 6 years. In addition, he alleged that, if he had reenlisted for 6 years on his 6th anniversary, he would not have been required to sign a 9-month extension contract on March 7, 2001. His record does not contain any documentation of SRB counseling prior to his 6th anniversary.

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 218/00, he was eligible to reenlist for 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 for 6 years to receive the SRB. Moreover, he would not have needed to sign the 9-month extension contract in his record. Accordingly, relief should be granted.

ORDER

The military record of ████████████████████████ USCG, shall be corrected to show that he reenlisted on his 6th active duty anniversary, October 4, 2000, for 6 years to receive a Zone A SRB under ALCOAST 218/00. 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.

February 27, 2003
Date