DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

Application for the Correction of the Coast Guard Record of:

FINAL DECISION BCMR Docket No. 2003-014

SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

The applicant asked the Board to correct his record to show that he reenlisted for 6 years on November 3, 2001, at the end of his original 4-year enlistment, and that the short-term extension contracts he signed before and after that date are canceled. He alleged that, prior to the end of his original enlistment, he was never counseled that he could cancel the 9-month extension he had signed in March 2000 to attend school and reenlist for 6 years to receive an SRB under ALCOAST 127/01. In addition, he alleged that if he had reenlisted for 6 years on November 3, 2001, he would not have been required to sign a 2-year extension contract on July 31, 2002. His record contains no documentation of proper SRB counseling.

The Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard stated that the "Coast Guard does not object to granting the Applicant the relief he seeks."

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Under COMDTINST 7220.33, each member is entitled to SRB counseling, documented on a "page 7" in his record, whenever he reenlists or extends his enlistment. The applicant's record has no such page 7s. Therefore, the Board finds that he has proved by a preponderance of the evidence that he was not properly counseled. The Board also finds that, if he had been counseled, he likely would have chosen to reenlist for 6 years on November 3, 2001, and cancel his 9-month extension. Moreover, if he had reenlisted, he would not have been required to sign a 2-year extension contract last July. Accordingly, relief should be granted.

ORDER

June 13, 2002	
Date	



