

**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. 2008-006**

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SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

The applicant asked that his 17-month extension contract dated March 3, 2006, be corrected to show that it was executed by reason of "school/ training requirement." rather than by reason of "request of individual." He alleged that because the Coast Guard marked the incorrect reason for the extension, the 17 months were deducted as previously obligated service from the selective reenlistment bonus (SRB) he received for reenlisting on October 22, 2007. The requested correction would increase his SRB from his October 22, 2007, reenlistment, because under the SRB regulation, an extension executed to attend school or training can be canceled without penalty if it is 2 years or less in length.

The Judge Advocate General (JAG) of the Coast Guard recommended that the Board grant the applicant's request because his record supports his claim that the extension was not at his request but was required to obligate service to attend food specialist "A" school. Moreover, the JAG noted that the Coast Guard failed to provide the applicant for any SRB counseling when he extended his enlistment on March 3, 2006, in violation of the Personnel Manual.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The JAG admitted, and the Board finds, that the Coast Guard committed errors by not counseling the applicant about his SRB opportunities when he extended his enlistment on March 3, 2006, and by improperly completing the enlistment contract to show that it was at the request of the applicant rather than for "school/training requirement." Accordingly, the applicant is entitled to relief.

ORDER

The application of XXXXXXXXXX, USCG, for correction of his military record is granted. His March 3, 2006, extension contract shall be corrected to show that that he extended by reason of "school/training requirement," instead of "request of individual," so that the term of the extension shall not count as previously obligated service or reduce his SRB for reenlisting on October 22, 2007. The Coast Guard shall pay him the amount due as a result of this correction.

June 24, 2008
Date

