

**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. 2014-114**

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SN

SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

The applicant asked the Board to correct his record by changing his home of record (HOR)¹ from [REDACTED], to [REDACTED]. He stated that when he enlisted in the Coast Guard he mistakenly listed his parents' address in [REDACTED] as his HOR, but that he had been living in [REDACTED] for over a year when he enlisted and continues to be a resident of [REDACTED]. In support of his application, he submitted a copy of a lease for an apartment in [REDACTED] from January 1, 2010, through March 31, 2011. The applicant enlisted in the Coast Guard on January 31, 2011, and his enlistment documents indicate that his HOR is [REDACTED].

The Judge Advocate General of the Coast Guard recommended that the Board grant relief because the Joint Federal Travel Regulations (JFTR) state that a HOR may be corrected in the instance of a bona fide error where "the place originally named at the time of current entry into the Service was not in fact the actual home." PSC argued that a bona fide error was made when the applicant listed [REDACTED] as his HOR because his apartment lease in [REDACTED] proves that he was living in [REDACTED], and not [REDACTED], at the time of his enlistment.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Under the JFTR, an enlisted member's HOR is the place recorded as the home of the individual when enlisted into a tour of active duty, and the HOR may be corrected when it is not the place the member was living when the member enlisted. The applicant's apartment lease shows that he was living in [REDACTED], not [REDACTED], when he enlisted in the Coast Guard. Accordingly, the applicant has proven by a preponderance of the evidence that his HOR should be corrected to [REDACTED].

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¹ Home of record (HOR) is the city, state, or complete address where the member originally entered active duty without a break in service. COMDTINST M1900.4D. Appendix A, Part 1 of the Joint Federal Travel Regulations (JFTR) defines a member's HOR as "[t]he place recorded as the individual's home when commissioned, appointed, enlisted, inducted, or ordered into a tour of active duty."

ORDER

The application of SN [REDACTED] USCG, for correction of his military record is granted. His record shall be corrected to show that his home of record is [REDACTED].

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