

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NO: 98-01977

DEC 10 1998

COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING DESIRED: NO

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Applicant requests that his rank at the time of his entry on active duty be changed to captain. Applicant's submission is at Exhibit A.

The appropriate Air Force office evaluated applicant's request and provided an advisory opinion to the Board recommending the application be denied (Exhibit C). The advisory opinion was forwarded to the applicant for review and response (Exhibit D). As of this date, no response has been received by this office.

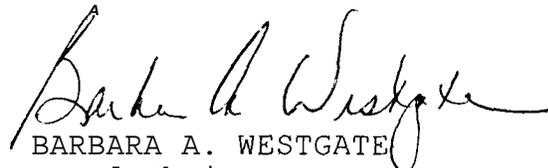
After careful consideration of applicant's request and the available evidence of record, we find insufficient evidence of error or injustice to warrant corrective action. The facts and opinions stated in the advisory opinion appear to be based on the evidence of record and have not been rebutted by applicant or counsel. Absent persuasive evidence applicant was denied rights to which entitled, appropriate regulations were not followed, or appropriate standards were not applied, we find no basis to disturb the existing record.

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Accordingly, applicant's request is denied.

The Board staff is directed to inform applicant of this decision. Applicant should also be informed that this decision is final and will only be reconsidered upon the presentation of new relevant evidence which was not reasonably available at the time the application was filed.

Members of the Board, Mrs. Barbara A. Westgate, Mr. Kenneth L. Reinertson, and Ms. Ann L. Heidig considered this application on 19 November 1998, in accordance with the provisions of Air Force Instruction 36-2603, and the governing statute, 10 U.S.C. 1552.


BARBARA A. WESTGATE
Panel Chair

Exhibits:

- A. Applicant's DD Form 149
- B. Available Master Personnel Records
- C. Advisory Opinion
- D. SAF/MIBR Ltr Forwarding Advisory Opini n



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER
RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE TEXAS

18 AUG 1998

MEMORANDUM FOR AFBCMR

FROM: HQ AFPC/DPAH
550 C St West Ste 28
Randolph AFB TX 78150-4730

SUBJECT: Application for Correction of Military Records (DD Form 149) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is requesting one year of service credit be granted for his professional ministry experience prior to commissioning.

[REDACTED] bases his request on the fact that his ministry experience exceeds the 7 years required for one year of service credit. The problem is that his experience does not meet the requirements of AFI 36-2005.

To receive the year of service credit, an applicant must have "7 or more years of extensive practical experience in a ministry following completion of qualifying graduate educational credit or ordination, whichever is later." (See attached AFI) Much of [REDACTED] experience was *prior* to the completion of his graduate educational credit.

[REDACTED] ministry experience is commendable, and may have played a part in his being selected for the Air Force chaplaincy. His experience does not, however, meet the requirements for the awarding of service credit.

Recommend request be denied. Record should remain as it is. However, if the decision is to grant the relief sought, the records should be corrected to show the granting of one year of service credit for ministry experience prior to commissioning, and entry to active duty at the grade of captain.

[REDACTED], USAF
Chief, Chaplain Personnel Management Division
Directorate of Assignments

Attachment:
Extract of Copies of AFI 36-2005, Table 2.6

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Table 2.6. Service Credit For Line Of The Air Force, Chaplain, Judge Advocate, And Air Force General Counsel's Honors Program Officers.

R	A	B	C
1	If individual is	and has completed	then the amount of service credit awarded is (see note 1).
2	designated as a chaplain	a Master of Divinity or equivalent degree as approved by HQ AFRS/RSOCC	3 years.
3		7 or more years of extensive practical experience in a ministry following completion of qualifying graduate educational credit or ordination, whichever is later	1 year.
4		special experience or unique qualifications (EXAMPLE: Dean of Seminary, or has national prominence)	1/2 year for each year up to a maximum of 3 years as determined by HQ AFPC/DPAH
5		AD commissioned service as a chaplain	1 year for each year.
6		commissioned service as a chaplain, in an active status, other than on EAD	1 year for each year (maximum 1 year (see note 2)).
7	designated as a chaplain	AD commissioned service, other than as a chaplain	1/2 year for each year.
8		commissioned service, other than as a chaplain, in an active status, other than on EAD	1/2 year for each year (maximum 1 year).
9	designated as a judge advocate (JA) or assigned as an attorney in the AF General Counsel's Honors Program	Bachelor of Laws or Juris Doctor degree	3 years (see note 3).
10		special experience or unique qualifications	1/2 year for each year up to a maximum of 3 years as determined by the AF General Counsel or The Judge Advocate General, as appropriate.
11		commissioned service in an active status while participating in an education program that would qualify for credit under rule 8	1 year for each year (or school year) (see note 3).
12		AD commissioned service	1 year for each year.
13	designated as a judge advocate (JA) or assigned as an attorney in the AF General Counsel's Honors Program	commissioned service as a JA in an active status, other than on EAD	1/2 year for each year.
14	assigned to LAF	commissioned service other than as a JA in an active status, other than on EAD	1/4 year for each year.
15	assigned to LAF	AD commissioned service	1 year for each year.

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