

clearance. In responding to the SOR, Applicant admitted the SOR allegations. The Judge found against Applicant on all of the allegations.

In his appeal brief, Applicant stated, “I do not claim that the presiding Judge made an error in my case.” Appeal Brief at 1. Instead, he contends that he is trustworthy and requests “a reduction in the penalty.” *Id* at 2. The record, however, does not support the application of any of the exceptions listed under Appendix C of the Directive.

The Appeal Board is tasked to address material issues raised by the parties to determine whether the Judge committed harmful error. Directive ¶ E3.1.32. Because Applicant has not made such an allegation of error, the decision of the Judge denying him a security clearance is sustainable.

Order

The decision is **AFFIRMED**.

Signed: James F. Duffy
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Chairperson, Appeal Board

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