



**DEFENSE LEGAL SERVICES AGENCY
DEFENSE OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS
APPEAL BOARD**



Date: July 8, 2026

In the matter of:

Applicant for Security Clearance

ISCR Case No. 25-01450

APPEAL BOARD DECISION

APPEARANCES

FOR GOVERNMENT

Andrea M. Corrales, Esq., Deputy Chief Department Counsel

FOR APPLICANT

Pro se

The Department of Defense (DoD) declined to grant Applicant a security clearance. On November 25, 2025, DoD issued a Statement of Reasons (SOR) advising Applicant of the basis of that decision – security concerns raised under Guideline F (Financial Considerations) of the National Security Adjudicative Guidelines (AG) in Appendix A of Security Executive Agent Directive 4 (effective June 8, 2017) and DoD Directive 5220.6 (Jan. 2, 1992, as amended) (Directive). On May 5, 2026, Defense Office of Hearings and Appeals Administrative Judge A. M. Driskill denied Applicant national security eligibility. Applicant appealed pursuant to Directive ¶¶ E3.1.28 and E3.1.30.

Discussion

The SOR alleged that Applicant carried approximately \$53,500 in delinquent consumer and child support debt. In response to the SOR, Applicant denied the two child support accounts and a consumer account without explanation, admitted the remaining four allegations that totaled about \$36,600, and requested that his case be decided based on the written record. He received a complete copy of the Government's File of Relevant Material (FORM) on February 2, 2026, and was notified of his ability to respond with any objections or additional information for the Judge

to consider. Applicant did not respond to the FORM and the Judge resolved all allegations adversely.

There is no presumption of error below and the appealing party has the burden of raising claims of error with specificity. Directive ¶ E3.1.30. On appeal, Applicant makes no assertion of error, and he instead requests reconsideration of his case and provides narrative responses to the SOR and FORM with supporting documentation. The Appeal Board does not review cases *de novo* and is prohibited from considering new evidence on appeal. Directive ¶ E3.1.29. Accordingly, the Judge's decision is affirmed.

Order

The decision in ISCR Case No. 25-01450 is **AFFIRMED**.

Signed: Moira Modzelewski

Moira Modzelewski
Administrative Judge
Chair, Appeal Board

Signed: Allison Marie

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Administrative Judge
Member, Appeal Board

Signed: Eric H. Borgstrom

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