

KEYWORD: Guideline F

DIGEST: Applicant’s brief raises no allegation of harmful error by the Judge. Adverse decision affirmed.

CASENO: 15-00404.a1

DATE: 09/29/2017

DATE: September 29, 2017

In Re:)	
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Applicant for Security Clearance)	

APPEAL BOARD SUMMARY DISPOSITION

APPEARANCES

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The Department of Defense (DoD) declined to grant Applicant a security clearance. On October 26, 2015, DoD issued a statement of reasons (SOR) advising Applicant of the basis for that decision—security concerns raised under Guideline F (Financial Considerations) of Department of Defense Directive 5220.6 (Jan. 2, 1992, as amended) (Directive). Applicant requested a decision on the written record. On July 27, 2017, after considering the record, Defense Office of Hearings and Appeals (DOHA) Administrative Judge Robert J. Kilmartin denied Applicant’s request for a security clearance. Applicant appealed pursuant to Directive ¶¶ E3.1.28 and E3.1.30.

Applicant’s brief raises no allegation of harmful error by the Judge. Rather, it contains new evidence, which we cannot consider. Directive ¶ E3.1.29. Applicant’s brief also cites to his having hired a law firm to assist him with debt resolution. The Judge addressed this matter in the Decision,

and Applicant's brief does not assert that the Judge mis-weighed this evidence. Our scope of review is limited to cases in which the appealing party raises an allegation of harmful error. Directive ¶ E3.1.32. Insofar as Applicant has raised no such allegation, the Judge's Decision is AFFIRMED.

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