KEYWORD: Guideline H; Guideline E

DIGEST: Applicant asserts that he submitted documents which never reached the Judge. Department counsel does not contest the matter. Adverse decision remanded.

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In Re:)
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)
Applicant for Security Clearance)

DATE: May 11, 2009

APPEAL BOARD DECISION

APPEARANCES

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The Defense Office of Hearings and Appeals (DOHA) declined to grant Applicant a security clearance. On December 31, 2008, DOHA issued a statement of reasons (SOR) advising Applicant of the basis for that decision—security concerns raised under Guideline H (Drug Involvement) and Guideline E (Personal Conduct) of Department of Defense Directive 5220.6 (Jan. 2, 1992, as amended) (Directive). Applicant requested a decision on the written record. On April 10, 2009, after considering the record, Administrative Judge Henry Lazarro denied Applicant's request for a security clearance. Applicant appealed pursuant to Directive ¶¶ E3.1.28 and E3.1.30.

Applicant's appeal consists solely of his claim that he had submitted documents in response to the File of Relevant Material (FORM) that did not reach the Judge and which were not included in the record. He requests an expedited remand of his case to enable the Judge to consider his response to the FORM. By reply brief, Department Counsel does not oppose this course of action.

Accordingly, the case is hereby remanded to the Judge for further processing. Nothing about this action shall prejudice the appeal rights of the parties.

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