

court other than a court-martial or other military court” are substituted for the words “by the civil authorities”.

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Prior sections 8375 to 8378 were repealed by Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title XVI, §1629(c)(1), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2963, effective Oct. 1, 1996.

Section 8375, added Pub. L. 85-861, §1(178)(C), Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1528; amended Pub. L. 86-559, §1(59), June 30, 1960, 74 Stat. 277; Pub. L. 96-513, title V, §514(3), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2935, related to transfer or discharge of officers promoted to reserve grade of brigadier general or major general ceasing to occupy those positions. See section 14314(a), (c) of this title.

Section 8376, added Pub. L. 85-861, §1(178)(C), Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1528; amended Pub. L. 86-559, §1(60), June 30, 1960, 74 Stat. 277, related to promotion of commissioned officers of Air Force Reserve or Air National Guard of United States to higher reserve grades after temporary appointments. See section 14301 et seq. of this title.

Section 8377, added Pub. L. 85-861, §1(178)(C), Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1529; amended Pub. L. 86-559, §1(61), June 30, 1960, 74 Stat. 277, related to effect of removal of reserve commissioned officer from recommended promotion list by President. See section 14301 et seq. of this title.

Section 8378, added Pub. L. 85-861, §1(178)(C), Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1530, related to promotion of reserve commissioned officers removed from active status. See section 14317(a) of this title.

A prior section 8379, added Pub. L. 85-861, §1(178)(C), Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1530, provided that appointing commissioned officers of Air National Guard was function of governors, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title XVI, §1636(c), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2968, effective Feb. 10, 1996.

Prior sections 8380 and 8381 were repealed by Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title XVI, §1629(c)(1), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 2963, effective Oct. 1, 1996.

Section 8380, added Pub. L. 85-861, §1(178)(C), Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1530; amended Pub. L. 86-559, §1(62), June 30, 1960, 74 Stat. 277; Pub. L. 98-94, title X, §1015(b)(1), Sept. 24, 1983, 97 Stat. 667; Pub. L. 99-145, title V, §521(b), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 631; Pub. L. 100-180, div. A, title V, §502(b)(1), Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1085; Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title V, §503(b)(1), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1437; Pub. L. 102-484, div. A, title V, §519(b), Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2408; Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title V, §514(b), Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1649; Pub. L. 104-106, div. A, title V, §511(b), title XV, §1501(c)(31), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 298, 500, related to promotion of reserve commissioned officers on active duty and not on the active duty list. See section 14311(e) of this title.

Section 8381, added Pub. L. 85-861, §1(178)(C), Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1531; amended Pub. L. 100-456, div. A, title XII, §1234(a)(1), Sept. 29, 1988, 102 Stat. 2059, related to transfer, discharge, or withdrawal of Federal recognition of reserve officers ceasing to occupy position of adjutant general or assistant adjutant general. See section 14314(b), (c) of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-232 renumbered section 6408 of this title as this section.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 115-232 effective Feb. 1, 2019, with provision for the coordination of amendments and special rule for certain redesignations, see section 800 of Pub. L. 115-232, set out as a note preceding section 3001 of this title.

CHAPTER 845—RECALL TO ACTIVE DUTY

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8386. Members of the Fleet Reserve and Fleet Marine Corps Reserve: release from active duty.

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior chapter 845, consisting of sections 8571 to 8583, related to rank and command within the Air Force, prior to renumbering as chapter 925 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, §807(e)(2)(A), (f)(1), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1837, 1838, redesignated chapter 575 of this title as this chapter and items 6483 to 6486 as 8383 to 8386, respectively.

1984—Pub. L. 98-525, title V, §533(f)(2), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2528, struck out item 6482 “Retired enlisted members of the Regular Navy and Regular Marine Corps: authority to recall.”

1980—Pub. L. 96-513, title V, §503(51), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2915, struck out items 6481 “Retired officers of the Regular Navy and Regular Marine Corps: authority to recall”, 6487 “Retired rear admirals: retired pay after two years of active duty”, and 6488 “Wartime appointments or promotions: retention of grade upon release from active duty”.

§ 8383. Retired members: grade

An officer who has been advanced on the retired list or in the Retired Reserve under former section 6150 of this title to a grade above captain in the Navy or above colonel in the Marine Corps, when recalled to active duty, may, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Navy, be recalled either in the grade he holds on the retired list or in the Retired Reserve or in the grade from which he was advanced.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 417, §6483; Pub. L. 85-422, §6(5), May 20, 1958, 72 Stat. 129; Pub. L. 88-132, §5(m), Oct. 2, 1963, 77 Stat. 215; Pub. L. 90-623, §2(10), Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1314; Pub. L. 96-513, title III, §363, Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2903; renumbered §8383, Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, §807(b)(17), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1836.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
6483	34 U.S.C. 410n (1st proviso).	Aug. 7, 1947, ch. 512, §412(a) (1st proviso), 61 Stat. 874; Oct. 12, 1949, ch. 681, §522(a), 63 Stat. 835.
	50 U.S.C. 1052(c) (2d sentence).	July 9, 1952, ch. 608, §413(c) (2d sentence), 66 Stat. 500.

Subsection (a) states the general rule that a retired officer, when recalled to active duty, shall be recalled in the grade he holds on the retired list. The rule is derived, not from a specific provision of law, but from the fact that special legislative authority is required to recall a retired officer in any other grade.

The desirability of including a positive statement of the rule is pointed up by the legislative history of the Act of February 21, 1946, ch. 34, §8(a), 60 Stat. 28, amending the Act of July 24, 1941, ch. 320, §10(d), 55 Stat. 605 (34 U.S.C. 350i(d)). The 1946 amendment states the rule, but only as to a limited class of retired personnel, namely persons temporarily appointed or pro-

moted under the 1941 Act while on the retired list. The amendment provided that such persons, when released to inactive duty, should be given the highest grade in which they had served satisfactorily and, if subsequently recalled to active duty, should be recalled in the grade so accorded them. The legislative history shows that the bill (S. 1405, 79th Cong., 1st sess.), originally was written so as to provide that retired personnel should be recalled in their prior permanent grades or ratings instead of in the higher grades accorded them on the retired list while on inactive duty. When a member of the Naval Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives suggested an amendment to allow retired personnel to be recalled in the higher grades, the Navy spokesman pointed out that no law was required to permit this; in fact, retired personnel would be *required* to be recalled in the grades they hold on the retired list in the absence of any law to the contrary. Thus the result desired by the committee member could be achieved, simply by deleting the provision instead of amending it. After some discussion, however, it was decided to adopt the suggested amendment in order not to “leave things to inference” (H. Rept. No. 158, December 6, 1945, pp. 2290-2292).

Section 412(a) of the Officer Personnel Act of 1947 (34 U.S.C. 410n) (codified, except for the first proviso, in §6150 of this title), supplies a further reason why a positive statement of the rule is desirable. That section provides that an officer who has been specially commended for the performance of duty in actual combat shall, when retired, be placed on the retired list in the grade next higher than that in which serving at the time of retirement. The first proviso, codified in subsection (b) of this section, provided further that an officer advanced under §412(a) to a flag or general officer grade could be recalled either in the advanced grade or in the grade from which advanced. The law was silent as to the grade in which other officers advanced under §412(a) should be recalled. It was understood that they would be recalled in the advanced grade accorded them on the retired list, because there was no authority to recall them in any other grade. However, the Comptroller General raised a question as to their right to the pay of the higher grade when recalled. Although the final decision of the Comptroller General was in favor of the higher pay (30 Comp. Gen. 242, December 20, 1950), the fact that the question was raised indicates the confusion that results from leaving the rule to inference.

It appears that the rule was never in doubt until after the enactment of the two recent laws cited above, one applying the rule to a limited class, and one stating a discretionary exception without stating the rule itself. These two laws make it more difficult than it was formerly to derive the correct conclusion by inference alone.

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-232 renumbered section 6483 of this title as this section.

1980—Pub. L. 96-513 struck out provisions formerly set out as subsec. (a) which authorized each retired member of the naval service, when called to active duty, to be recalled in the grade held by him on the retired list and deleted subsec. (b) designation from remaining provisions.

1968—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 90-623 inserted “former” before “section 6150”.

1963—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 88-132 repealed subsec. (c) which provided for recomputation of retired pay of retired members of the naval service, recalled to active duty in the higher grade for officers specially commended and released from such duty, on basis of the then monthly basic pay of the grade held on the retired list after continuous 2-year period of service. See section 1402 of this title.

1958—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 85-422 added subsec. (c).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 115-232 effective Feb. 1, 2019, with provision for the coordination of amendments and special rule for certain redesignations, see section 800 of Pub. L. 115-232, set out as a note preceding section 3001 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96-513 effective Sept. 15, 1981, but the authority to prescribe regulations under the amendment by Pub. L. 96-513 effective on Dec. 12, 1980, see section 701 of Pub. L. 96-513, set out as a note under section 101 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1968 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 90-623 intended to restate without substantive change the law in effect on Oct. 22, 1968, see section 6 of Pub. L. 90-623, set out as a note under section 5334 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1963 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 88-132 effective Oct. 1, 1963, see section 14 of Pub. L. 88-132, set out as a note under section 201 of Title 37, Pay and Allowances of the Uniformed Services.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1958 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 85-422 effective June 1, 1958, see section 9 of Pub. L. 85-422, May 20, 1958, 72 Stat. 130.

§ 8384. Promotion of retired members to higher enlisted grades: retention of grade upon release from active duty

When on active duty, retired enlisted members of the Navy or the Marine Corps are eligible for promotion to higher enlisted grades or ratings. When released from active duty, they shall, unless entitled to a higher grade under another provision of law, retain the grades or ratings they hold at the time of their release.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 417, §6484, renumbered §8384, Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, §807(b)(17), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1836.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
6484	34 U.S.C. 434.	July 1, 1918, ch. 114, 40 Stat. 719 (1st 9 lines of 2d par.).

The words “who has been ordered into active service since April 6, 1917” are omitted as executed. The words “to higher enlisted grades or ratings” are inserted for clarity. The eligibility of retired enlisted men for appointments to warrant and commissioned grades is covered by chapter 539 of this title where the requirements for these appointments are set forth. The words “unless entitled to a higher grade under another provision of law” are inserted to make it clear that retired enlisted members are not precluded by this section from obtaining the benefits of other provisions of law that may give a higher grade to them on their release from active duty.

The provision relating to pay, allowances, and benefits is omitted because it was superseded by §§514 and 516 of the Career Compensation Act of 1949 (37 U.S.C. 314 and 316).

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-232 renumbered section 6484 of this title as this section.