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MEMORANDUM FOR The Military Personnel Management Officers of All States, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and the District of Columbia

SUBJECT: Promotion Eligibility for Soldiers Undergoing or Pending Medical Board Action (NGB-ARH Memo # 05-043)

1. References:

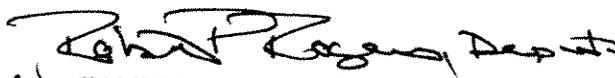
- a. Army National Guard Promotion Policy dated 1 February 2005
- b. AR 600-8-19, Enlisted Promotions and Reductions dated 25 January 2005
- c. MILPER Message number 05-084 dated 4 April 2005

2. Effective 30 April 2005, Soldiers in all ranks undergoing or pending referral to MOS/Medical Retention Board (MMRB), Medical Evaluation Board (MEB) or Physical Evaluation Board (PEB) will not be denied promotion based on medical disqualification, if they are otherwise qualified for promotion.

3. Soldiers who were conditionally promoted to the rank of Sergeant Major after the effective date of this policy, but were unable to complete the requisite NCOES course solely due to a medical condition, will not be subject to administrative reduction if otherwise qualified to retain the promotion. The findings of unfit by the Physical Disability Evaluation System must be presented to the promotion authority. This policy is not retroactive and will have no impact on reductions previously issued prior to this policy

4. This policy will remain in effect until superseded or rescinded. This new change will be incorporated in the first rapid revision of AR 600-8-19.

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