KEYWORD: Guideline F

DIGEST: In his appeal brief, Applicant makes assertions that are not contained in the record. The Appeal Board is prohibited from considering new evidence. Directive ¶ E3.1.29. His brief raises no allegation of error that is based on evidence that we can consider. Adverse decision affirmed.

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Applicant for Security Clearance	)
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APPEAL BOARD DECISION

<u>**APPEARANCES**</u>

FOR GOVERNMENT
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FOR APPLICANT
Pro se

The Department of Defense (DoD) declined to grant Applicant a security clearance. On November 27, 2017, 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 hearing. On June 19, 2019, after the hearing, Administrative Judge Gregg A. Cervi denied Applicant's request for a security clearance. Applicant appealed pursuant to Directive ¶¶ E3.1.28 and E3.1.30.

In his appeal brief, Applicant makes assertions that are not contained in the record. The Appeal Board is prohibited from considering new evidence. Directive ¶ E3.1.29. His brief raises no allegation of error that is based on evidence that we can consider.

The Board does not review cases *de novo*. The Appeal Board's authority to review a case is limited to cases in which the appealing party has alleged the Judge committed harmful error. Because Applicant has not made an allegation of error that we can consider, the decision of the Judge denying Applicant a security clearance is affirmed.

Order

The Decision is **AFFIRMED**.

Signed: Michael Ra'anan
Michael Ra'anan
Administrative Judge
Chairperson, Appeal Board

Signed: James E. Moody
James E. Moody
Administrative Judge
Member, Appeal Board

Signed: James F. Duffy
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