

Captain Jamison interview

My name is Captain Will Jamison and I'm stationed at Ellsworth Air Force Base in South Dakota.

I'm a Judge Advocate with the United States Air Force. That means I'm an attorney for the Air Force.

We provide legal assistance to airmen and their families and we also administer justice.

Serving in the military means a lot to me. I'm able to serve my country and in my job as a JAG I'm able to serve the members who serve in the military.

The case that led me to reach out to the CFPB involved a servicemember who received change of station orders. Those orders are non-negotiable. He had a home at his old station and it was underwater.

He was upside down, he owed more than the house was worth and because of his orders, he had to leave that area. He had to obtain a new house here in South Dakota. Based on his salary and family, he couldn't afford to have two homes at once.

He applied for a short sale and was denied over and over again for nine months. He came to me, I reached out to the CFPB and after reaching out in about two weeks the bank responded and said the short sale was approved.

The servicemember is doing great since his move. He and his family have a new place and are doing well. He told me specifically that if he hadn't had the CFPB on his side the bank would have steamrolled him.

It was great that a member from the CFPB came to Ellsworth Air Force Base because it allowed us to know the services the CFPB can provide to military members. And it allowed me as an attorney to know the resources I could use to help my clients out with their issues.

The CFPB absolutely helps servicemembers take charge of their financial future. If you know a servicemember, reach out and tell them how the CFPB can help them.