

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

NOV 13 1998

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: 97-03814

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
COUNSEL: None

HEARING DESIRED: No

Applicant requests that his DD Form 214 (Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer or Discharge) be corrected to show overseas service in [REDACTED] from January 1957 to December 1958 during his four-year enlistment in the Air Force. Applicant's submission is at Exhibit A.

Applicant's military personnel records were destroyed by fire in 1973. Therefore, the facts surrounding his specific departure and arrival dates of his tour of duty in [REDACTED] cannot be verified. However, on 18 May 1998, officials at the Air Force Personnel Center (AFPC) prepared a DD Form 215 (Correction to DD Form 214) administratively correcting applicant's Foreign and/or SEA Service to reflect 10 months and 16 days based on available documents reviewed.

After careful consideration of applicant's request, we note that applicant has not provided documentation such as temporary duty (TDY) travel vouchers, permanent change of station (PCS) orders that sent him to and from [REDACTED], or Airman Performance Reports (APRs). Therefore, based on the presumption of regularity in the conduct of government affairs and without evidence to the contrary, we must assume that the applicant's DD Form 214 and corrected DD Form 215 were proper and in compliance with appropriate directives.

The appropriate Air Force office evaluated applicant's request and provided an advisory opinion to the Board recommending the application be denied (Exhibit C). The advisory opinion was forwarded to the applicant for review and response (Exhibit D). As of this date, no response has been received by this office.

After careful consideration of applicant's request and the available evidence of record, we find insufficient evidence of error or injustice to warrant corrective action. The facts and opinions stated in the advisory opinion appear to be based on the available evidence of record and have not been rebutted by applicant. Absent persuasive evidence applicant was denied rights to which entitled, appropriate regulations were not followed, or appropriate standards were not applied, we find no basis to disturb the existing record.

Accordingly, applicant's request is denied.

The Board staff is directed to inform applicant of this decision, Applicant should also be informed that this decision is final and will only be reconsidered upon the presentation of new relevant evidence which was not reasonably available at the time the application was filed.

Members of the Board Mr. David C. Van Gasbeck, Ms. Patricia D. Vestal, and Mr. Edward H. Parker considered this application on 5 November 1998 in accordance with the provisions of Air Force Instruction 36-2603, and the governing statute, 10, U.S.C. 1552.



DAVID C. VAN GASBECK
Panel Chair

Exhibits:

- A. Applicant's DD Form 149
- B. Available Master Personnel Records
- C. Advisory Opinion
- D. AFBCMR Ltr Forwarding Advisory Opinion



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER
RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE TEXAS

8 April 1998

MEMORANDUM FOR AFBCMR

FROM: HQ AFPC/DPAIP1
550 C Street West, Ste 32
Randolph AFB TX 78150-4734

SUBJECT: Application for Correction of Military Records [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Requested Action : To have his DD Form 214 corrected to show overseas service in [REDACTED] from January 1957 to December 1958 during his 4 year enlistment in Air Force.

Discussion: [REDACTED] military records were destroyed in the fire that occurred at the National Personnel Records Center in July 1973. Therefore, we are unable to verify any exact arrival and departure dates of overseas service.

Recommendation: In conclusion, without source documents such as travel vouchers, PCS orders, and APRs which are normally used to confirm arrival and departure dates for overseas service the request should be disapproved. However, the following documents are forwarded for your review with the recommendation that his DD Form 214 be corrected to reflect 316 days Foreign Service:

- a. Issued Certf of Tng (AC Fire Control Systems), date issued 3 May57 at [REDACTED]
- b. Tested at APO 157 on 12Jul57 - Source doc (PAM # 164, 22Aug57).
- c. Primary AFSC change 1Sep57 at **APO** 157, - Source doc (PAM # 170, 1Sep57).
- d. Issued Certf of Tng (AC Fire Control - #FM32270D at APO 959, [REDACTED] date issued 14Mar58


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