



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2021-01429

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COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING REQUESTED: NO

APPLICANT'S REQUEST

His DD Form 214, *Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty*, dated 31 Jan 21, be changed to reflect the award of the Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters (AFOAE w/ 2 BOLC).

APPLICANT'S CONTENTIONS

He recently transferred to the Space Force from the Air Force and in doing so was issued an incorrect DD Form 214 as Block 13 reflects he was awarded the Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster. However, his record reflects that he was awarded the AFOEA w/2 BOLC and he would like his DD Form 214 to reflect the same.

The applicant's complete submission is at Exhibit A.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The applicant is a Space Force captain (O-3).

On 31 Jan 21, according to DD Form 214, he honorably resigned from the Air Force for the purpose of an Interdepartmental Transfer. Item 13, *Decorations, Medals, Badges, Citations and Campaign Ribbons Awarded or Authorized (All periods of service)*, reflects: Air Force Achievement Medal with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster, National Defense Service Medal, Global War of Terrorism Service Medal, Air Force Longevity Service Medal, and Air Force Training Ribbon.

On 1 Feb 21, according to *Addendum to AF Form 133, Oath of Office (Military Personnel)*, he was appointed a captain in the Regular Space Force.

For more information, see the excerpt of the applicant's record at Exhibit B and the advisory at Exhibit C.

AIR FORCE EVALUATION

AFPC/DP3SP recommends denying the request. According to Department of the Air Force Manual (DAFMAN) 36-2806, *Military Awards: Criteria and Procedures*, paragraph A9.5, the Air and Space Organizational Excellence Award (ASOEA) was established by SecAF in Aug 69, to recognize the achievements and accomplishments of DAF organizations or activities. On 16 Nov

20, SecAF approved the renaming of the Air Force Organizational Excellence Award to the Air and Space Organizational Excellence Award. The ASOEA is awarded to internal DAF organizations that are entities within larger organizations. The organizations are unique, unnumbered organizations or activities that perform functions normally performed by numbered wings, deltas, groups, squadrons, etc. The following types of organizations are eligible for consideration: unnumbered organizations, such as MAJCOM or FLDCOM headquarters, FOAs, DRUs, centers, and any other unnumbered organization; offices of SecAF, CSAF, CSO, and HAF Secretariat and Assistant Chiefs of Staff (i.e., all two-digit office symbol organizations at HAF); each Air Force level school, academy college, and Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps detachments; and similar U.S. Armed Forces services organizations or activities (except DoD and joint activities). Authorized Device is the Oak Leaf Cluster.

After a thorough review of the documentation provided by the applicant and the applicant's official military personnel record in order to possibly provide administrative relief, there is no evidence of an error or injustice as they were unable to verify the award of the Air and Space Organizational Excellence Award with two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters. To grant relief would be contrary to the criteria established by DAFMAN 36-2806.

The complete advisory opinion is at Exhibit C.

APPLICANT'S REVIEW OF AIR FORCE EVALUATION

The Board sent a copy of the advisory opinion to the applicant on 25 Apr 23 for comment (Exhibit D), but has received no response.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION

1. The application was timely filed.
2. The applicant exhausted all available non-judicial relief before applying to the Board.
3. After reviewing all Exhibits, the Board concludes the applicant is not the victim of an error or injustice. The Board concurs with the rationale and recommendation of AFPC/DP3SP and finds a preponderance of the evidence does not substantiate the applicant's contentions. While the applicant contends that he was awarded of the Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters, the Board finds that neither his official military record reflects, nor did the applicant provide evidence, that he met the specified award criteria. Therefore, the Board recommends against correcting the applicant's records.

RECOMMENDATION

The Board recommends informing the applicant the evidence did not demonstrate material error or injustice, and the Board will reconsider the application only upon receipt of relevant evidence not already presented.

CERTIFICATION

The following quorum of the Board, as defined in Department of the Air Force Instruction (DAFI) 36-2603, *Air Force Board for Correction of Military Records (AFBCMR)*, paragraph 2.1, considered Docket Number BC-2021-01429 in Executive Session on 7 Nov 23:

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All members voted against correcting the record. The panel considered the following:

Exhibit A: Application, DD Form 149, dated 16 Mar 21.

Exhibit B: Documentary evidence, including relevant excerpts from official records.

Exhibit C: Advisory Opinion, AFPC/DP3SP, dated 6 Jan 23.

Exhibit D: Notification of Advisory, SAF/MRBC to Applicant, dated 25 Apr 23.

Taken together with all Exhibits, this document constitutes the true and complete Record of Proceedings, as required by DAFI 36-2603, paragraph 4.12.9.

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