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**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS**

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

**DOCKET NUMBER:** BC-2022-03099

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**COUNSEL:** NONE

**HEARING REQUESTED:** YES

**APPLICANT'S REQUEST**

The date of birth (DOB) on his WD AGO Form 53, *Enlisted Record and Report of Separation Honorable Discharge*, be corrected.

**APPLICANT'S CONTENTIONS**

His service record reflects an incorrect DOB. He is unable to receive veterans benefits due to the discrepancy.

The applicant's complete submission is at Exhibit A.

**STATEMENT OF FACTS**

The applicant is an honorably discharged Air Force staff sergeant (E-5).

The applicant served in the Air Force from 10 Aug 46 to 25 Jul 49, with a DOB recorded differently than the DOB on his WD AGO Form 53.

On 29 Nov 07, the applicant was issued a certified birth certificate, which indicates a different DOB from the DOB on the applicant's WD AGO Form 53.

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

**APPLICABLE AUTHORITY/GUIDANCE**

AFI 36-2608, *Military Personnel Records System*, Table A7.5 (Correction to Date of Birth), Note 3, provides as follows: Do not correct records of former members unless evidence proves the date of birth used while serving with the Air Force was erroneously recorded. Required proof is an unaltered original document from the jurisdiction of the applicant's birth, showing the applicant's name and date of birth.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION**

1. The application was not timely filed, but it is in the interest of justice to excuse the delay.
2. The applicant exhausted all available non-judicial relief before applying to the Board.

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3. After reviewing all Exhibits, the Board concludes the applicant is the victim of an error. The Board finds the applicant’s date of birth used while serving with the Air Force was erroneously recorded. Therefore, the Board recommends correcting the applicant’s records as indicated below.

4. The applicant has not shown a personal appearance, with or without counsel, would materially add to the Board’s understanding of the issues involved.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The pertinent military records of the Department of the Air Force relating to APPLICANT be corrected to show WD AGO Form 53, issued in conjunction with the 25 Jul 49 discharge, be changed to reflect the correct DOB in Block 10.

**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-2022-03099 in Executive Session on 20 Jul 23:

- Work-Product**, Panel Chair
- Work-Product**, Panel Member
- Work-Product**, Panel Member

All members voted to correct the record. The panel considered the following:

- Exhibit A: Application, DD Form 149, w/atchs, dated 12 Nov 22.
- Exhibit B: Documentary Evidence, including relevant excerpts from official records.

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.

