

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: 98-00984

COUNSEL: NONE

SEP 03 1998

HEARING DESIRED: NO

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Applicant requests that her DD Form 214 be corrected to reflect the award of the Meritorious Service Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters (vice 1), and the award of the Armed Force Service Medal. Applicant's submission is at Exhibit A.


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 opinions appear to be based on the 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 W. Mulgrew, Mr. Jackson A. Hauslein, and Mr. Terry A. Yonkers considered this application on 27 August 1998, in accordance with the provisions of Air Force Instruction 36-2603 and the governing statute, 10 U.S.C. 1552.


DAVID W. MULGREW
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

MEMORANDUM FOR AFBCMR

12 May 1998

FROM: HQ AFPC/DPPPRA
550 C Street West Ste 12
Randolph AFB TX 78150-4714

SUBJECT: Application for Correction of Military Records (DD Form 149)
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1. REQUESTED ACTION. Applicant requests correction of her DD Form 214 to reflect:

- a. Award of the Meritorious Service Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters (vice 1).
- b. Award of the Armed Forces Service Medal.

2. BASIS FOR REQUEST.

a. Applicant provided a copy of the orders for the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Meritorious Service Medal.

b. Applicant provided an unsigned Memorandum, Subject: Armed Forces Service Medal Submission, dated 1 May 96; however, it lists the Attachment as "Personnel Submitted for HSM," and the Memorandum is not signed. She also provided a news article regarding eligibility criteria for the Armed Forces Service Medal.

3. FACTS.

a. Applicant is entitled to the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Meritorious Service Medal, and her DD Form 214 has been corrected to reflect this.

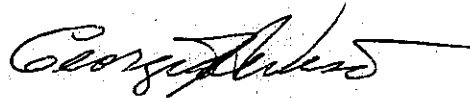
b. Applicant's records did not indicate that she was assigned to any of the designated operations subsequent to 1 Jun 92 for which the Armed Forces Service Medal was awarded. On 9 Apr 98, this office requested the applicant furnish TDY orders reflecting her participation in one of the operations and a copy of her Travel Voucher(s) showing the inclusive dates she was in one of the designated Areas of Responsibility. The applicant provided copies of Flight Authorization for 15 Jul 93-30 Jul 93 and for 27 Nov 94-9 Dec 94. None of the documents provided reflect her participation in any operation, much less one of the operations designated for award of the Armed Forces Services Medal.

4. DISCUSSION. The applicant has not provided sufficient documentation to verify that she participated in any of the designated operations, as required. Had the Memorandum been signed and submitted in 1996, her Military Personnel Flight (MPF) would have added an AF Form 104 to her records and entered the Armed Forces Service Medal to her computer file. Since the applicant did not retire until 31 Mar 97, there was sufficient time for her to submit the necessary documentation to her MPF so they could verify this award. By not doing so, and by not submitting the necessary documents at this time, we can not verify her eligibility for the Armed Forces Service Medal.

5. RECOMMENDATION.

We recommend disapproval of the applicant's request to be awarded the Armed Forces Service Medal.

FOR THE COMMANDER



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