RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NO: 98-01068

YES

COUNSEL: NONE

AUG 1 4 1998

HEARING DESIRED:

Applicant requests that his general discharge be upgraded to honorable Applicant's submission is at Exhibit A.

The Air Force Discharge Review Board (AFDRB) denied applicant's request on 31 March 1998. In accordance with policy, the application was forwarded to this Board for further consideration (Exhibit C). The AFDRB brief 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 AFDRB brief 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 applicant's case is adequately documented and it has not been shown that a personal appearance with or without counsel will materially add to our understanding of the issue(s) involved. Therefore, the request for a hearing **is** not favorably considered.

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. Michael P. Higgins, Dr. Gerald B. Kauvar, and Mr. Allen Beckett considered this application on 28 July 1998, in accordance with the provisions of Air Force Instruction 36-2603 and the governing statute, 10 U.S.C. 1552.

MICHAEL P. HIGGINS

Panel Chair

Exhibits:

- A. Applicant's DD Form 149
- B. Available Master Personnel Records
- C. AFDRB Brief
- D. SAF/MIBR Ltr Forwarding AFDRB Brief