

RECORC OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: 98-01440

DEC 10 1998

COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING DESIRED: NO

Applicant requests his 8 May 1956 undesirable discharge be upgraded to honorable. Applicant's submission is at Exhibit A.

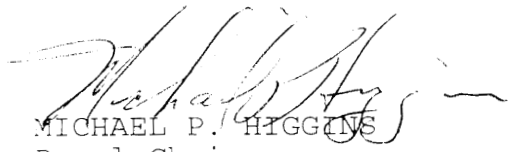
Applicant's military personnel records were destroyed by fire in 1973. Therefore, the facts surrounding his separation from the Air Force cannot be verified. In attempting to reconstruct the record, a 4 May 1956 order directing applicant's undesirable discharge was the only document located (Exhibit B).

After careful consideration of applicant's request, we found insufficient relevant evidence has been presented to demonstrate the existence of probable error or injustice. Based upon the presumption of regularity in the conduct of governmental affairs and without evidence to the contrary, we must assume that the applicant's discharge was proper and in compliance with appropriate directives. Therefore, we find no basis upon which to favorably consider this application.

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, Messrs. Michael F. Higgins, William E. Edwards, and Patrick R. Wheeler, considered this application on 1 December 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. Special Order dtd 4 May 56