

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2011-05037
COUNSEL: NONE
HEARING DESIRED: NO

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT:

His DD Form 214, *Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active duty*, reflect award of the Basic Aircrew Member Badge (Wings).

APPLICANT CONTENDS THAT:

He flew as an enlisted aircrew member while assigned to the 7th Air Force Flight Operations in 1971.

In support of his appeal, the applicant provides a personal statement and a copy of his DD Form 214.

The applicant's complete submission, with attachments, is at Exhibit A.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

The applicant enlisted in the Regular Air Force on 15 July 1982.

On 31 May 1986, the applicant was relieved from active duty and on 1 June 1986, he retired in the grade of technical sergeant under the provisions of AFR 35-7, Voluntary Retirement for Years of Service Established By Law. He served 20 years and 19 days on active duty.

AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

USAF/A30-AI recommends denial. A30-AI states in accordance with Air Force Manual 35-13; to qualify for permanent award of the Basic Aircrew Member Badge (Wings), personnel must be on flying status as a crew member, medically qualified, and hold a crew member Air Force Specialty Code (AFSC) as a principal duty assignment for a minimum of 36 months.

A review of the applicant's records revealed he held the AFSC 43171 (Tactical Aircraft Maintenance Technician) during his

entire twenty year career in the Air Force. The AFSC 43171 is not a crew member AFSC and does not entitle the member to the badge.

The A30-A1 complete evaluation is at Exhibit C.

APPLICANT'S REVIEW OF AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

On 24 February 2012, a copy of the Air Force evaluation was forwarded to the applicant for review and comment within 30 days (Exhibit D). As of this date, this office has received no response.

THE BOARD CONCLUDES THAT:

1. The applicant has exhausted all remedies provided by existing law or regulations.
2. The application was not timely filed; however, it is in the interest of justice to excuse the failure to timely file.
3. Insufficient relevant evidence has been presented to demonstrate the existence of an error or injustice. The applicant's contentions are duly noted; however, we agree with the opinion and recommendation of the Air Force office of primary responsibility and adopt its rationale as the basis for our conclusion that the applicant has not been the victim of an error or injustice. Therefore, in the absence of evidence to the contrary, we find no basis to recommend granting the relief sought in this application.

THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT:

The applicant be notified the evidence presented did not demonstrate the existence of an error or injustice; the application was denied without a personal appearance; and the application will only be reconsidered upon the submission of newly discovered relevant evidence not considered with this application.

The following members of the Board considered AFBCMR Docket Number BC-2011-05037 in Executive Session on 7 June 2012, under the provisions of AFI 36-2603:

The following documentary evidence pertaining to AFBCMR Docket Number BC-2011-05037 was considered:

Exhibit A. DD Form 149, dated 21 December 2011, w/atchs.

Exhibit B. Applicant's Master Personnel Records.

Exhibit C. Letter, USAF/A30-AI, dated 15 February 2012.

Exhibit D. Letter, SAF/MRBR, dated 24 February 2012.