

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: BC-2012-02413
COUNSEL: NONE
HEARING DESIRED: YES

APPLICANT REQUESTS THAT:

1. His records be corrected to reflect his service in Vietnam.
 2. His records be corrected to reflect his service in Japan.
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APPLICANT CONTENDS THAT:

While stationed in Korea he went on a temporary duty (TDY) assignment to Vietnam, Japan and all ports in Korea.

Omissions of his foreign service will harm his future.

The applicant provides no documents in support of his request.

His complete submission is at Exhibit A.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

The applicant served on active duty in the Regular Air Force from 7 Jun 1960 to 3 Mar 1964. His DD Form 214 reflects 1 year and 1 month of Foreign Service.

AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

AFPC/DPAPP recommends denial. DPAPP states they were able to verify and confirm the applicant was assigned to Kunsan Air Base, Korea from 5 May 1961 through 4 Jun 1962. However, they were unable to confirm service time in Vietnam or Japan.

The complete DPAPP evaluation is at Exhibit C.

APPLICANT'S REVIEW OF AIR FORCE EVALUATION:

He asserts that he traveled to various locations in Korea, Vietnam and Japan. He has been communicating with the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) for over 15 years and it appears no one can find his medical records, which include information regarding his hearing loss, a knee injury and hypertension he suffered while in the Air Force. He finally located a document which reflects his hearing loss.

His complete response, with attachment, is at Exhibit E.

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 error or injustice. We took notice of the applicant's complete submission in judging the merits of the case; 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. Should the applicant provide documentation that establishes he served in Vietnam or Japan, we would be willing to reconsider his request. In the absence of evidence to the contrary, we find no basis to recommend granting the relief sought in this application.
4. 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 DETERMINES THAT:

The applicant be notified that the evidence presented did not demonstrate the existence of material error or injustice; that the application was denied without a personal appearance; and that 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 BC-2012-02413 in Executive Session on 24 Jan 2013, under the provisions of AFI 36-2603:

, Panel Chair
, Member
, Member

The following documentary evidence was considered in AFBCMR BC-2012-02413:

- Exhibit A. DD Form 149, dated 1 June 2012.
- Exhibit B. Applicant's Master Personnel Records.
- Exhibit C. Letter, AFPC/DPAPP, dated 24 Jul 2012.
- Exhibit D. Letter, SAF/MRBR, dated 7 Aug 2012.
- Exhibit E. Letter, Applicant, undated, w/atc.

Panel Chair