

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

DOCKET NO: 98-01852

COUNSEL: [REDACTED]

HEARING DESIRED: NO

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Applicant requests that his DD Form 214 be amended to reflect the country at the end of each overseas tour ribbon. Applicant's submission is at Exhibit A.

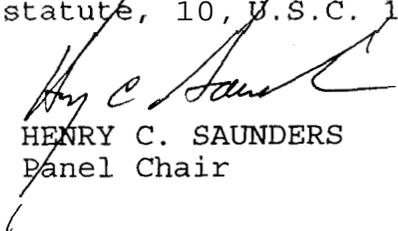
The appropriate Air Force office evaluated applicant's request and provided an advisory opinion to the Board recommending the application be denied (Exhibit C). The advisory opinion was forwarded to the applicant and his counsel for review and response (Exhibit D). As of this date, no response has been 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 opinion appear to be based on the evidence of record and have not been rebutted by applicant or counsel. 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. Henry C. Saunders, Ms. Ann L. Heidig, and Ms. Sophie A. Clark considered this application on 10 December 1998 in accordance with the provisions of Air Force Instruction 36-2603, and the governing statute, 10, U.S.C. 1552.


HENRY C. SAUNDERS
Panel Chair

Exhibits:

- A. Applicant's DD Form 149
- B. Available Master Personnel Records
- C. Advisory Opinion
- D. SAF/MIBR Ltrs Forwarding Advisory Opinion



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER
RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE TEXAS

MEMORANDUM FOR AFBCMR

22 July 1998

FROM: HQAFPC/DPPRA
550 C Street West Ste 12
Randolph AFB TX 78150-4714

SUBJECT: Application for Correction of Military Records (DD Form 149)

- [REDACTED]
1. REQUESTED ACTION. Applicant requests his DD Form 214 be amended to reflect the country at the end of each overseas tour ribbon.
 2. BASIS FOR REQUEST. Applicant states "showing the Area of Operation would help in the proof of Service where served. This would also help when applying to veterans organizations (i.e., Veterans of Foreign Wars)."
 3. FACTS.
 - a. Applicant served on Active Duty 16 Aug 74-31 Aug 94, with two overseas tours. He served 3 Jun 81-2 Jun 82 in Korea, for which he received the Air Force Overseas Short Tour Ribbon; and in Japan 10 Oct 88-11 Jun 93, for which he received the Air Force Overseas Long Tour Ribbon.
 - b. The Air Force Overseas (Long/Short) Tour Ribbon does not reflect the country in which an individual served, only that he/she served overseas and the number of long or short tours. The Army of Occupation Medal does reflect (when warranted) the country (Germany or Japan) for which it was received.
 4. DISCUSSION. The Air Force Overseas (Long/Short) Tour Ribbon was not established to enable individuals to join veterans organizations such as the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW). The individual can request a complete copy of his personnel records from the National Personnel Records Center, thus enabling him to provide documentation showing where he served and for how long. A DD Form 214 should not be amended for one individual's convenience.

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5. RECOMMENDATION.

We recommend disapproval of the applicant's request to amend his DD Form 214 to reflect the country at the end of each overseas tour ribbon.

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