November 4, 2013

RE:

Veteran's Name:
SN:
Request Number:

Dear Sir or Madam:

Thank you for contacting the National Personnel Records Center. The military record needed to answer your inquiry was located in the area that suffered the most damage in the fire that occurred at this Center on July 12, 1973. Fortunately, a portion of the record was among those recovered; however, it was damaged in the fire.

We are providing the releasable military service information based on restrictions imposed by the military services consistent with Department of Defense regulations and the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act and the Privacy Act of 1974. Releasable information has been transcribed, photocopied, or a combination of both, in order to comply with your request. We regret the poor quality of the documents; however, these are the best available copies.

If additional information is needed, the Privacy Act of 1974 requires the <u>written consent</u> (signature) of the individual to whom the record pertains. If the individual is deceased, we must have the written consent of the next of kin and proof of death. The next of kin is defined as: unremarried widow or widower, son, daughter, father, mother, brother or sister. The following are acceptable forms of proof of death:

- Death certificate
- Newspaper article (obituary) or death notice
- Coroner's report of death
- Funeral director's signed statement of death
- Verdict of coroner's jury
- If death occurred outside the United States, any document similar to one of the preceding five, or a report of death signed by a United States consul or other agent of the State Department.

Finally, the veteran's entire file will become archival and available for purchase from our office on May 22, 2014.

If you have questions or comments regarding this response, you may contact us at 314-801-0800 or by mail at the address shown in the letterhead above. If you contact us, please reference the Request Number listed above. If you are a veteran, or a deceased veteran's next of kin, please consider submitting your future requests online by visiting us at <a href="http://vetrecs.archives.gov">http://vetrecs.archives.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

RANDOLPH GEARY Archives Technician (2A)

Enclosure(s)

We Value Our Veterans' Privacy et us know if we have

failed to protect it.