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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH TEXAS

19 May 15

HQ AFPC/DS1 550 C Street W JBSA-Randolph AFB TX 78150

Mr. John Greenewald

Dear Mr. Greenewald

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated 13 Apr 15, Electronic Public Access Linked (E-PAL) to HQ Air Force (HAF). Your request was received at AFPC/DS1F on 27 Apr 15 and assigned case 2015-03519-F. On 13 May 15, you clarified your request by email and seek releasable information and statistical data regarding the Air Force's policy on Conscientious Objection (CO) as follows:

- 1. Policy documents on Conscientious Objector (CO) applications
- 2. Statistical data sorted by:
  - Years (2010-2014)
  - Officer vs Enlisted
  - Approved vs disapproved

Item 1. Department of Defense Instruction (DoDI) 1300.06, 31 May 2007 and Air Force Instruction (AFI) 36-3204, 15 Jul 94, are the CO policy references currently used. They can be viewed at: <u>http://dcmo.defense.gov/products-and-services/business-enterprise-</u> <u>architecture/10.0/lrp/products/HTML\_source/DoDI\_1300.06.htm</u>. and <u>http://static.e-</u> publishing.af.mil/production/1/af\_a1/publication/afi36-3204/afi36-3204.pdf.

Item 2. Statistical data is provided (atch) as agreed in your e-mail clarification response to narrow the scope.

A thorough review of the responsive documents for "...a copy of all Conscientious Objection Applicants and their applications in the Air Force, for the years 2010-2014." was conducted within our Agency. These documents would be exempt from release to third parties under the FOIA, **Title 5**, **USC**, **Section 552** (b)(6). Exemption (b)(6) permits the withholding of all information in personnel and medical files, as well as similar personal information in other files, that, if disclosed to a requester, other than the person about whom the information is about, would result in a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. There is no discretion on release.

This response is considered a full release for records you requested. If you interpret this response as not fully complying with your request, you may contact the undersigned to help you resolve your concerns.

You may also formally appeal this response if you consider it an adverse action by writing the Secretary of the Air Force within 60 calendar days from date of this letter. If no appeal is received, or if appeal is postmarked after conclusion of 60-day period, appeal may be considered closed. Include your reasons for reconsideration along with a copy of this letter and mail to:

Secretary of the Air Force THRU: HQ AFPC/DS1F (FOIA) 550 C Street W JBSA-Randolph AFB TX 78150

Department of Defense 5400.7-R\_AFMAN 33-302, indicates that fees be assessed for processing this request; however, the fees are not assessed in this instance.

Direct questions to AFPC/DS1F (FOIA/PA) at <u>afpc.ds1f.foia.pa@us.af.mil</u> or call 210-565-2751 and reference case number above.

Sincerely

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CRYSTAL F. DELK, GS-12, DAF AFPC FOIA/PA Policy Officer

Attachment: CO Statistics, PDF format, 1 page

## FOIA Case 2015-03519-F

	A	В	С	E	F	G	н
1	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	TOTAL FROM 2010 - 2014	GRAND TOTAL FROM 2010 - 2014
2	TOTAL: 8	TOTAL: 8	TOTAL: 12	TOTAL: 17	TOTAL: 11		
3	OFFICER: 1	OFFICER: 0	OFFICER: 3	OFFICER: 2	OFFICER: 4	OFFICER APPLICATIONS: 10	
4	APPROVED: 0	APPROVED: N/A	APPROVED: 2	APPROVED: 2	APPROVED: 2	APPROVED: 6	
5	DISAPPROVED: 1	DISAPPROVED: N/A	DISAPPROVED: 1	DISAPPROVED: 0	DISAPPROVED: 2	DISAPPROVED: 4	
6							
7	ENLISTED: 7	ENLISTED: 8	ENLISTED: 9	ENLISTED: 15	ENLSITED: 7	ENLISTED APPLICATIONS: 46	
8	APPROVED: 5	APPROVED: 8	APPROVED: 4	APPROVED: 9	APPROVED: 3	APPROVED: 29	
9	DISAPPROVED: 2	DISAPPROVED: 0	DISAPPROVED: 5	DISAPROVED: 6	DISAPPROVED: 4	DISAPPROVED: 17	
10							GRAND TOTAL APPLICATIONS: 56
11	TOTAL APPROVED: 5	TOTAL APPROVED: 8	TOTAL APPROVED: 6	TOTAL APPROVED: 11	TOTAL APPROVED: 5		GRAND TOTAL APPROVED: 35
12	TOTAL DISAPPROVED: 3	TOTAL DISAPPROVED: 0	TOTAL DISAPPROVED: 6	TOTAL DISAPPROVED: 6	TOTAL DISAPPROVED: 6		GRAND TOTAL DISAPPROVED: 21
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