

AGTEX-A

25 September 1969

Honorable George Bush
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Bush:

This will acknowledge receipt of your note dated 22 September 1969, attached to a letter from Mr. [REDACTED]. I wish my reply could be more favorable than it is.

Mr. [REDACTED] son [REDACTED] is in category III for enlistment in the Air National Guard. That means he does not have prior service and is not under 18-1/2 years old.

I am sorry but he is correct in that there are approximately 700 people who applied for enlistment in the Air National Guard at Hensley Field; so as you can see, a lot of young men had the idea sooner than Mr. [REDACTED] son and, as you are aware, the regulations and law both prohibit us giving any favorite treatment to an individual applicant. Of course, we do have the possibility of vacancies in the Army National Guard in Houston; however, this is an airborne unit that Mr. [REDACTED] states his son does not care to join.

The National Guard unit in Victoria was correct in deleting Mr. [REDACTED] son from the waiting list when he moved from the immediate vicinity. We arbitrarily take a 50 mile radius as being the immediate vicinity of a town.

Thank you very kindly for your interest in the National Guard and if at any time we can be of service to you, please call on us.

Sincerely,

ROSS AYERS
Major General, AGC, TexARNG
The Adjutant General

They keep telling him it will take 11 years