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Ms. Mary Schantag
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Dear Ms. Schantag:

SUBJECT: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request in which you seek a copy of Navy Official Military File (OMPF) information pertaining to John Wesley Byer. Your request was received in this office (PERS-00J) on March 26, 2018, and has been assigned correspondence number CNPC20180319 by this command.

A check of the Navy Electronic Military Personnel System (EMPRS) does not reflect a record for John Wesley Byer as described with identifying information in your request as being maintained by this command. Please contact the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) at http://www.archives.gov/st-louis/military-personnel/ if you believe this individual was discharged from the U.S. Navy prior to 1998. NPRC processes requests for older records.

If you believe an adequate search of this command's records was not conducted, you have the right to appeal this "No Records" determination, in writing, to the Office of the Judge Advocate General, OJAG Code 14, 1322 Patterson Avenue SE Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066.

Should you believe the submission of an appeal necessary, it must be received in that office within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter in order to be considered. Please attach a copy of this letter and the original request. Include a statement regarding why you believe this command may possess records responsive to your request. Please mark both the envelope and your appeal letter "FOIA/PA APPEAL."

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No assessable FOIA fees were associated with the processing of your request. I am the official responsible for this "No Records" response regarding records maintained by this command. Should you wish to discuss this matter, you may contact the undersigned at (901) 874-3165. You may also contact the DON FOIA Public Liaison, Christopher Julka, at Christopher.a.julka@navy.mil or at (703) 697-0031. In addition, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) provides a voluntary mediation process for resolving disputes between persons making FOIA requests and the Department of the Navy (DON). Their website is below: https://www.archives.gov/ogis/about-ogis/contact-information.

Sincerely,

D. P. GERMAN
FOIA/PA Officer
By direction