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February 11, 2020

Mr. Anthony Crawley
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Army Records Management Division
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Dear Mr. Crawley:

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has been notified of a potential unauthorized disposition at the Department of the Army. We have received an allegation that several training and award records relating to SSG Kevin John Parrish of 553rd CCCB, HHC, SPO Trans., Foot Hood, TX were prematurely destroyed and could not be provided to SSG Parrish upon his multiple requests. To date, one award, a Juliette, has been recovered but five or more other records may be missing from the agency's ATTRS, DTMS, and IPERM systems, including blue force trackers, and multiple hours of instruction. There is concern that the missing documentation could have an adverse impact on SSG Parrish's promotion considerations.

NARA requests that the Army investigate this matter to determine if the files can be obtained and if not, whether any of the documents were destroyed in accordance with the agency's records disposition schedule. Please note, that per 36 CFR 1230.14, if records have been destroyed without NARA's proper authorization, destruction must cease and the agencies must report these incidents promptly to NARA.

In accordance with 36 CFR 1230.16, NARA also requests that your agency provide NARA with a response within 30 days that includes a description of the records, the records schedule disposition citation that covers the records; details regarding the records destruction incident and recovery efforts; and a statement of the safeguards that have been or will be implemented to prevent future unauthorized disposals of such records. If you have any questions, please contact me at laurence.brewer@nara.gov.

Sincerely,

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April 10, 2020

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Dear Mr. Crawley:

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) received the Army's response regarding NARA's request for further information about the allegation of lost training and award records of SSG Kevin John Parrish. The Army's investigation of the matter has resulted in the verification of the loss, the recovery of a number of documents, and continued efforts to retrieve and reproduce the remaining missing records. These efforts are ongoing as the Army awaits required information from SSG Parrish who is currently deployed and for which communication is very limited at this time. The agency will continue its efforts and investigation in order to restore and input the missing files into SSG Parrish's OMPF file.

Based on the information that you provided, the reporting requirements of 36 CFR 1230.14(a) have been met. NARA is satisfied with the corrective measures and the Army's continuing efforts to resolve the issue. This matter is considered closed. If you have any questions, please contact me at laurence.brewer@nara.gov.

Sincerely,

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