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FILE TITLE: 1st U.S. Crew Chief of a MIG-15 Aircraft - MSgt Curtis L. Jackson

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GARY R. AKIN, CMSgt, USAF
Director
Air Force Enlisted Heritage Research Institute

By direction of the Secretary of the Air Force,
Technical Sergeant Curtis L. JACKSON, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], United States Air Force, has been awarded
the Commendation Ribbon.

C I T A T I O N

Technical Sergeant Curtis L. JACKSON distinguished himself by outstanding meritorious service in the performance of duties as Maintenance Flight Chief on F-94 type aircraft assigned to the 4th Fighter Interceptor Squadron, 6351st Air Base Wing, Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, from 1 March 1953 through 30 June 1953. During this period, the Squadron was operating from a location seventeen miles from its source of logistic support, yet Sergeant JACKSON consistently maintained a high aircraft in-commission rate and attained exceptionally good aircraft utilization. He, at the same time, supervised an on-the-job training program for newly assigned personnel who possessed no previous experience on F-94 type aircraft. The manner in which Sergeant JACKSON overcame supply and maintenance difficulties, the example of resourcefulness and sense of responsibility he displayed, are in the best traditions of the service and reflect great credit upon himself, his organization, and the United States Air Force.

Incl #2

ADHIS

1st Ind

18 December 1957

Headquarters Air Defense Command, Ent AFB, Colorado Springs,
Colorado

TO: Commander, 497th Fighter Interceptor Squadron, ATTN: Master
Sergeant Curtis L. Jackson, Geiger Field, Spokane, Washington

Forwarded for delivery to Master Sergeant Jackson.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

Incl:
n/c

BROUN H. MAYALL
Colonel, USAF
Command Information Services
Officer



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

DEC 4 1957

SUBJECT: Memento Book for Master Sergeant Curtis L. Jackson

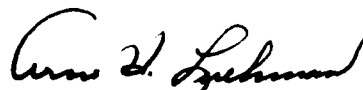
TO: Commander
Air Defense Command
Ent Air Force Base
Colorado Springs, Colorado

1. Master Sergeant Curtis L. Jackson, 497th Fighter Interceptor Squadron, Geiger Field, Spokane, Washington, represented your command as its outstanding airman for 1957 during the Air Force Association Convention in Washington, D. C., 30 July to 4 August, 1957.

2. The attached souvenir book is forwarded for presentation to Master Sergeant Jackson. Your attention is invited to the letter from the Chief of Staff on page 5 of the book.

FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

Inclosure
a/s


ARNO H. LUEHMAN
Major General, USAF
Director of Information Services

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18 December 1957

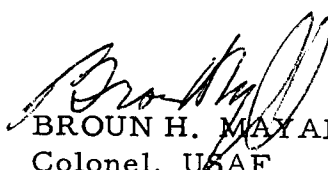
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BROUN H. MAYALL
Colonel, USAF
Command Information Services
Officer

ADHIS, Hq ADC, Subject: Outstanding ADC Airman

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10 JUL 1957

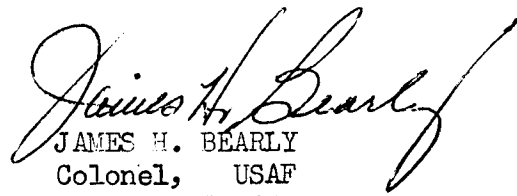
Hq Western Air Defense Force, Hamilton Air Force Base, California

TO: Commander, 9th Air Division (Defense), Geiger Field, Washington

1. Your attention is directed to basic letter.
2. Lt. Col. Corrigan in a telephone conversation with Major Locker of this headquarters on 5 July stated that Headquarters ADC will publish the TDY Orders for MSgt Jackson in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 4, ADC Letter 190-18, 29 April 1957.
3. This headquarters is pleased that MSgt Jackson was selected to represent the Air Defense Command at the Air Force Association Convention. The Commander desires that his congratulations be extended to MSgt Jackson.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

1 Incl
n/c


JAMES H. BEARLY
Colonel, USAF
Chief of Staff

ADHIS, Hq ADC, 25 Jun 57 Subj: Outstanding ADC WAF

e. It was believed that she would be an excellent choice to represent the Air Force as the WAF invited to the AFA Convention.

3. The Airman selected to represent the Air Defense Command is M/Sgt. Curtis L. Jackson, 497th Fighter-Interceptor Squadron, (ADC), Geiger Field, Spokane, Washington. Sgt. Jackson is an outstanding young career technician who will be an excellent representative for the Air Defense Command at the Air Force Association Convention, (photos and biographical data attached).

FOR THE COMMANDER:

4 Incls

1. LO 190-18
2. Photos
3. Biographical Data
4. Photo of Gen. Atkinson

THOMAS F. CORRIGAN

Lt. Colonel, USAF

Command, Information Svcs Officer

C O P Y

ADHIS

SUBJECT: Outstanding ADC Airman and WAF

TO: Director of Information Services
Office of the Secretary of the Air Force
ATTN: SAFIS-5C
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Reference your message SAFIS-5 45613, and 47044. A board of officers met on 20 June 1957 at Headquarters ADC, Ent AFB, Colorado to consider nominees from the field for outstanding ADC Airman and WAF (copy of letter order attached).

2. The WAF selected was A/2C Marcia R. Tietzel, an information specialist, assigned to Hq 26th Air Division (Defense), Roslyn Air Force Station, Roslyn, New York (photos and biographical data attached). Airman Tietzel was selected for the following reasons:

a. She is a very personable young WAF with considerable poise. For any purposes she makes a creditable appearance reflecting credit to the Air Force and the Air Defense Command.

b. In her short (18 months) career in the Air Force she has already made an enviable record. After basic training she moved into an apprentice information specialist job taking over the editor's position for the 26th Air Division newspaper when the former editor was re-assigned. In this position, her paper "The Command Post" won the 1956 ADC Award as the outstanding Commercial Class I newspaper (picture inclosed of Lt. Gen. Joseph H. Atkinson, Commander, ADC presenting the trophy).

c. She has represented her organization, ADC, and the Air Force on numerous T.V., radio and other personal appearances. In all instances her conduct has reflected considerable credit on the Air Force.

d. She is career-minded, planning to apply for OCS training.

497TH FIGHTER INTERCEPTOR SQUADRON (ADC)
United States Air Force
Geiger Field
Spokane, Washington

22 July 1957

Mr Roy Hanney
President
Spokane Chapter, Air Force Association
N 3525 Rebecca
Spokane, Washington

Dear Mr Hanney,

As you no doubt are aware, the airmen chosen to represent ADC at the AFA Convention in Washington this year is M/Sgt Curtis L. Jackson, a member of this organization. We are very proud of this honor, especially in view of the fact that it is the second consecutive year that a man from this unit has been selected. We believe that this is an Air Force first. I am enclosing some material which may be of interest to you. Perhaps arrangements can be made through yourself and Mr Henebry to recognize this fact at your convention. Colonel Bennett intends to be in Washington for the convention if at all possible and I am sure that he would be glad to participate.

If I can provide any additional information or be of further assistance, please call on me.

6 Incls

VAL R. PEMBERTON

1. Ltr to AF Times w/2 ind Captain, USAF
2. Ltr of Nomination, M/Sgt Adjutant Jackson
3. Ltr to Bob Petty
4. Ltr of Appr to AFA President
5. Ltr to M/Sgt Jackson from AFA
6. Cy of 497th Squadron Album

HEADQUARTERS
AIR DEFENSE COMMAND
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
ENT AIR FORCE BASE, COLORADO

ADC LETTER)
NO. 190 -18)

29 April 1957
- (Expires 1 September 1957)

SUBJECT: Outstanding ADC Airman and WAF

TO: Commander, each ADC Unit

1. The following USAF messages are quoted for your information.

"From SAFIS-5 45613. Subject is AFA Convention. Last year the Air Force Association sponsored a program to honor outstanding airmen from the major commands during their annual convention. The program was an outstanding success and AFA will repeat it this year. This message is to inform you to begin action to select an outstanding airman to represent your command at the AFA Convention in Washington, D. C., July 30 through August 4. The following factors apply: (1) Criteria for selection will be a command prerogative. (2) Commands will provide transportation to and from Washington, D. C. (3) Airman selected will be honored guest of AFA at all convention activities. AFA will provide hotel accommodations and tickets to banquets, official luncheons, and other convention activities. Other expenses will be borne by the individual. Commands are encouraged to provide airman with at least \$50 from contingency or other available funds. (4) Names of airmen, photos, and biographical data complete with command basis for selection must be forwarded so as to reach this Headquarters: ATTN: SAFIS-5C, not later than 1 July. (5) Letters of invitation from AFA including full details will be forwarded directly to individuals selected as soon as names are received by this Headquarters. (6) AFA will be unable to accommodate wives of selectees."

"From SAFIS-5 47044. Reference our message SAFIS-5 45613. Subject is AFA Convention. As an additional feature of the outstanding airman project, AFA desires to include an outstanding WAF. Request your command nominate an outstanding WAF airman and submit photo, biographical data and basis for selection to this Headquarters, ATTN: SAFIS-5C, not later than 24 June. A committee in this Headquarters will make final selection of WAF to be honored with outstanding airmen from major commands at AFA Convention, 30 July through 4 August."


2. Office of Information Services, Headquarters Air Defense Command, is the project office for command selection.

(ADC-3010-7)

3. It is requested that each air defense force, the 5th Air Division, 64th Air Division, 4750th Air Defense Wing (Weapons), and the 4600th Air Base Group establish a selection board to nominate representatives selected from nominations submitted by their subordinate units. Both an outstanding male airman and a WAF airman will be nominated by the organizations specified above.

4. Nominations will be forwarded so as to reach this headquarters on 10 June 1957 for command selection. Orders and contingency fund allocation will be made by this headquarters for the personnel selected. (ADHIS)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:


WALTER W. ROBINSON
Colonel, USAF
Command Adjutant

Headquarters
9TH AIR DIVISION (DEFENSE)
United States Air Force
Geiger Field, Spokane, Washington

9ISO

17 May 1957

SUBJECT: Outstanding ADC Airman

TO: See Distribution

1. Reference inclosed ADC Letter 190-18, 29 April 1957. As stated in the letter, last year's program was an outstanding success. An airman of this command was selected as ADC's outstanding airman of the year and, from the many fine airmen and noncommissioned officers within 9th Air Division, we hope that last year's record will be duplicated in 1957.

2. Due to the suspense dates being imposed by higher headquarters, prompt action is necessary. Request you select an outstanding airman to appear before the final selection board at this headquarters 28 May 1957. Nominees should report to the Office of Information Services, building 201, Geiger Field, no later than 1200, Tuesday, 28 May.

3. Each nominee should report with his 8x10 photo and complete biographical data.

4. Negative reports are required.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:



ROBERT L. STEWART
WO USAF
Assistant Adjutant

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1 Comdr, 84th FGRU
Comdr, 4721st AIRDEFGRU
Comdr, Each ACWRON

HEADQUARTERS
TWENTIETH AIR FORCE
Office of the Commanding General
APO 239

COMDR

7 DEC 1953

SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation

TO: Commander, 19th Bombardment Wing (M), APO 239
Commander, 6332nd Air Base Wing, APO 239
✓ Commander, 6351st Air Base Wing, APO 235
Commander, 307th Bombardment Wing (M), APO 239

1. I wish to add my appreciation to that of General Weyland, as expressed in his attached letter, for the excellent job performed by our organizations and personnel in connection with the recent MIG-15 project. The skill and ingenuity demonstrated by our people reflect the determination of the Air Force to accomplish its fundamental mission with dispatch and efficiency.

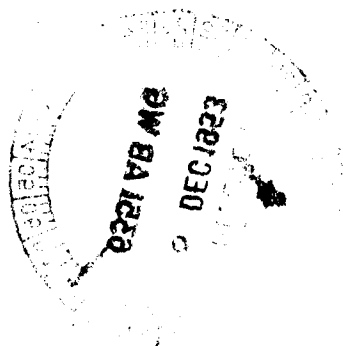
2. I also desire that this matter be brought to the attention of the organizations and individuals concerned.

1 Incl
Ltr, Comdr, FEAF,
subj as above

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FAY R. UPTEGROVE
Major General, USAF
Commander

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497TH FIGHTER INTERCEPTOR SQUADRON (ADC)
United States Air Force
Geiger Field
Spokane, Washington

24 May 1957

SUBJECT: Nomination of Outstanding ADC Airman

TO: Commander
84th Fighter Group (AD)
Geiger Field, Washington

1. M/Sgt Curtis L. Jackson, [REDACTED], is proudly nominated as the outstanding airman in ADC, in accordance with USAF message SAFIS-5 45613, Subject: AFA Convention; ADC Letter 190-18, 29 April 1957, Subject: Outstanding ADC Airman and WAF; and letter, 9ISO, Headquarters 9th Air Division, 17 May 1957, Subject: Outstanding ADC Airman. This technically skilled airman is an outstanding individual both in his ability and performance as an Air Force supervisor and in the exemplary manner in which he conducts himself under all circumstances. His personal appearance is commanding and his character and integrity are beyond reproach. He has a far reaching background of technical experience and is presently being utilized as Flight Chief (PAFSC 43171C, additional AFSC 43270) in this F86D organization. His responsibilities in this capacity include supervision of approximately twenty-five airmen and maintenance responsibility for seven combat ready F86D aircraft. He is called upon daily to draw upon his abundant knowledge of all components and sections of the aircraft and electronics equipment. His performance during his three years service as a member of this organization has been exceptional and his record before joining this unit is exceedingly noteworthy.

2. M/Sgt Jackson has been associated primarily with interceptor type aircraft throughout his Air Force career. His military career, all of it devoted to the application of technical knowledge to the aircraft maintenance problem, began in June 1943, and is summarized below:

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ADC Airman

a. United States Marine Corps: June 1943 - April 1946: Assigned as an aircraft mechanic and Crew Chief in the first Marine Corps night fighter squadron (VMF(N)533), which saw action in the battle of Okinawa (35 kills). Spent 30 days of operational training on the aircraft carrier Shangri-La (Oct 1945). Participated in photo reconnaissance modification and testing of the F6F Hellcat early in 1946.

b. United States Marine Corps Active Reserve: April 1946 - January 1948: After honorable discharge from active duty with the Marines in April 1946, worked for the Shell Oil Company, Long Beach, California.

c. United States Air Force: January 1948 - Present:

(1) Served with the 318th Fighter Interceptor Squadron at Hamilton Air Force Base, California and McChord Air Force Base, Washington as Crew Chief and Flight Chief (January 1948 - January 1952).

(2) Served with the 4th Fighter Interceptor Squadron, Naha, Okinawa, as Flight Chief (January 1952 - April 1954).

(3) Served with the 497th Fighter Interceptor Squadron (formerly the 445th Fighter Interceptor Squadron) from April 1954 to the present, in primary duty of Flight Chief.

3. M/Sgt Jackson has served with devotion and enthusiasm in each of his military assignments. His career is marked with several highlights which, together with his continuous excellence of performance, are believed ample justification for his selection as ADC's outstanding airman. These highlights are listed below:

a. Assignment to MIG-15 Testing Project: Perhaps the most interesting and outstanding single achievement in M/Sgt Jackson's impressive career was his assignment to the MIG-15 project at Kadena, Okinawa in November of 1953. When a North Korean pilot accepted General Mark Clark's offer of \$100,000 reward and delivered a MIG-15 to American hands,

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the problem of immediate analysis and flight testing was most urgent. This aircraft was disassembled and shipped from South Korea to Okinawa. Sgt Jackson, because of his technical qualifications and management ability was assigned responsibility for supervising and directing the assembly of the MIG-15 for flight test purposes. The task was particularly difficult since no plans, technical orders or diagrams were available. Many instruments and parts required modification both for initial installation and in order to provide valuable information from flight tests. After 32 hours of round-the-clock labor, the MIG-15 was ready for flight. General Al Boyd, Major Charles Yeager and Captain Thomas Collins performed all flight test work, with Sgt Jackson assigned as Crew Chief, authorized on orders to start and taxi the MIG-15. For his excellent performance in the project Sgt Jackson received written commendations from General O. P. Weyland and Major General Fay R. Upthegrove (See Inclosure #1) and was commended verbally by General Boyd.

b. First J-33-33 Engine to Fly 1000 Hours: In February 1954, M/Sgt Jackson's flight produced the first J-33-33 engine to reach 1000 hours flight time. (F94A aircraft, 4th Fighter Interceptor Squadron, Okinawa).

c. Awarded the Commendation Ribbon: For outstanding meritorious service as maintenance Flight Chief in the 4th Fighter Interceptor Squadron, during the period 1 March 1953 through 30 June 1953, M/Sgt Jackson was awarded the Commendation Ribbon (February 1954). A copy of the Citation is attached (Inclosure #2).

d. Flying Safety Record: M/Sgt Jackson's flight has completed thirty-eight months of operational flying in this organization without an aircraft accident. This represents approximately 5700 hours of single engine jet time (F86D). His flight has never been charged with an aircraft accident. (The squadron received three citations for flying safety from ADC during this period).

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e. Rocketry Championship Aircraft: In 1955, when the 445th Fighter Interceptor Squadron won the Yuma Rocketry Championship, they did so using aircraft from M/Sgt Jackson's flight exclusively. One of these aircraft set a record for most hits for a single F86D aircraft, a record which still stands.

f. First F86D to Fly 1000 Hours: M/Sgt Jackson's flight produced the first F86D to fly a total of 1000 hours (March 1957). The aircraft, F86D #52-3646, was assigned to Sgt Jackson's flight exclusively while compiling this unique record.

4. During his military career Sgt Jackson has attended and completed the following courses of training:

a. Armament School - United States Marine Corps - An inclusive study of marine weapons (.45 calibre pistol to submarine and aircraft torpedoes).

b. F82F Aircraft Familiarization and Maintenance Training - Mobile Training Detachment, McChord Air Force Base, Tacoma, Washington,

c. Allison V-1710 Engine Maintenance Training - Mobile Training Detachment, McChord Air Force Base, Tacoma, Washington, F94A & F94B Interceptor

d. F94A & F94B Familiarization and Maintenance Training - Chanute Air Force Base, Illinois,

e. J-33-33 Engine Maintenance Training - Chanute Air Force Base, Illinois,

f. Personnel Management Training - A course conducted by the Central Civilian Personnel Office, 6332nd Air Base Wing, Okinawa.

g. F86D Familiarization and Maintenance Training - Amarillo Air Force Base, Texas,

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5. M/Sgt Jackson holds the following awards and decorations:

- a. Commendation Ribbon
- b. Good Conduct Medal with 3 loops
- c. American Campaign Medal
- d. Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal
- e. World War II Victory Medal
- f. National Defense Service Medal
- g. Korean Service Medal
- h. United Nations Service Medal

6. During his military career M/Sgt Jackson has performed extensive maintenance on the following types of aircraft:

- a. F4U4 Day Fighter (Corsair)
- b. F6F Day Fighter (Hellcat)
- c. SBD Divebomber
- d. TBF Torpedo Bomber
- e. P61 Night Fighter (Black Widow)
- f. F82F Interceptor (Twin Mustang)
- g. B-17
- h. C-47
- i. C-45
- j. T-33
- k. F94A & F94B Interceptor
- l. F86D Interceptor

7. M/Sgt Jackson has served faithfully, enthusiastically and effectively, throughout his military career, being guided solely by the mission of the unit to which he was currently assigned. He is well liked and respected by all of his associates as a man who speaks with authority and from experience. His quiet yet effective method of operation quickly earns him the confidence of both his subordinates and his superiors. He has the ability to demand and obtain the maximum from his men at the same time retaining their respect and admiration. Wherever he has been assigned he has rapidly proved through brilliant and persevering performance his exceptional technical and supervisory ability. The attached citation and letters of commendation attest to his continued exemplary performance. (See Inclosures #3, 4, 5, 6 and 7).

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ADC Airman

8. I believe that M/Sgt Curtis L. Jackson is exceptionally well qualified for the honor for which he is being nominated. On 8 May 1957, M/Sgt Jackson reenlisted for six years in the United States Air Force, confirming his career intentions. No finer airman could be selected as truly representative of the technical airman supervisor of today's Air Force. Married and the father of two fine sons, this youthful (31 years old) M/Sgt will reflect credit upon ADC and the USAF, and will bring added prestige to all technically trained airmen should he be selected to represent Air Defense Command at the Air Force Association Convention in August. I wholeheartedly endorse him as being professionally outstanding among his contemporaries and worthy of this high honor.



WARREN A. BENNETT
Lt Colonel, USAF
Commander

9 Incls:

1. Ltr of Appreciation,
Gen Upthegrove, w/incl
ltr, Gen Weyland and 1st
ind, Col Kincaid
2. Citation, Commendation Ribbon
3. Ltr of Commendation, Capt Saylor
4. Ltr of Appreciation, Col Mobbs
5. Ltr of Appreciation, Col Mobbs
6. Rec for Promotion, Lt Dziekan
7. Rec for Promotion, Lt Bookout
w/2 ind
8. Photo - MIG-15, Okinawa
9. Photo - M/Sgt Jackson & Family

497TH FIGHTER INTERCEPTOR SQUADRON (ADC)
United States Air Force
Geiger Field
Spokane, Washington

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 70)


19 July 1957

1. M/Sgt CURTIS L JACKSON, [REDACTED], this Sq, this sta, WP on or abt 27 JUL 57, to Washington, U. C., on TDY for approx twelve (12) days, for the purpose of attending the AFA Convention. Rept to MAJ ART MCCONNELL in AF Project Office, RM 106C, Sheraton Park Hotel at 1000 hrs, 30 JUL 57. DPUO & UCWR, this sta. A Fifty (50) dollar award is auth under 5783400-079-4000-P481-13-S05-604. WP. TDN. 5783400-079-4000-P481-02-S05-604. "For expense purpose, charge to ADHIS". Auth: ADC Ltr, Subj: Outstanding ADC Airman; message HEDUSAF WASHDC, SAFIS-5,48084, dtd 9 JUL 57, Subj: Outstanding Airmen for AFA Convention.

2. PARA 2, SO 68, this Sq, this sta, CS, as pertains to A/2C WALTER McPHILLIPS, [REDACTED], is hereby REVO.

3. ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND: UP of AFR 35-54, as amnd, the undersigned hereby assumes Comd of the 497TH FINEPTRON (ADC), during the temp abs of COL WARREN A BENNETT 10712A. Effective this date.

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CHARLES P STEWART
CAPT., USAF
Commander

SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation

24 NOV 1953

TO: Commander
Twentieth Air Force
APO 239

1. I wish to express my appreciation for the splendid assistance rendered by airmen assigned or attached to Kadena Air Force Base during the recent assembly and preparation for flight test of the MIG-15 Bis aircraft. The diligence, skill and ingenuity, in the face of such difficulties as having to fabricate tools and fittings as the work progressed, without Technical Orders for reference purposes, contributed significantly to the success of the exploitation of this aircraft.

2. The following named airmen, by their devotion to duty and application of technical knowledge, have brought credit to themselves, their organization and the Air Force:

a. 6332d Field Maintenance Squadron

T/Sgt Howard L. Finch	[REDACTED]
T/Sgt William S. Kingsley	[REDACTED]
S/Sgt Rondle C. Smith	[REDACTED]
S/Sgt Walter D. Rees	[REDACTED]
A/1C John E. Garau	[REDACTED]
A/1C Carl E. McCallister	[REDACTED]

b. 19th Field Maintenance Squadron

A/1C George L. Ciszewski	[REDACTED]
A/1C Lynn T. Dale	[REDACTED]
A/1C Marrice L. Doll	[REDACTED]
A/1C Harold L. Gregory	[REDACTED]
A/1C Raymond T. Riley	[REDACTED]
A/2C Thomas Shea	[REDACTED]
A/3C Garnett L. Bondreaux	[REDACTED]
A/3C R. E. Thompson	[REDACTED]

c. 4th Fighter Squadron

M/Sgt Orville A. McQuawn	[REDACTED]
T/Sgt Curtis L. Jackson	[REDACTED]

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16 Stanford St.
Concord, Calif.
November 19, 1957

Lt. Col. Warren A. Bennet
497 Fighter Interceptor Squadron - ADC
Geiger Field
Spokane, Washington

Dear Sir:

We have received the information which you sent on to us about M/Sgt. Curtis L. Jackson, and we appreciate your fine co-operation in this matter. However, in the FOYM program, as in the TOYM program, it is required that an 8" x 10", glossy print, formally posed photograph be included in the application. Therefore, we would appreciate it if you could supply us with this photograph. As stated in our last letter, we must meet a December 2 deadline, and this photo is the only thing holding us up on the matter.

Thank you for your co-operation and help in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Robert H. Lofgren
Robert H. Lofgren, Chairman
FOYM - TOYM, 1957

RHL;am

August 18, 1957

Commanding Officer,
497th Fighter Interceptor Squadron
Geiger Field, Seattle, Washington

Dear Sir:

Each year the California State Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsors a contest called FOYM. Its purpose is to find the Five Outstanding Young Men in the state. At the same time, the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsors a contest to find the Ten Outstanding Young Men in the nation. All candidates are sponsored by local Junior Chambers of Commerce on the basis of their contributions to their professions and dedication to the general welfare of the people.

To date, all the candidates ever submitted by the Concord Junior Chamber have been winners. During the past few weeks we have been doing research to find a young man from our town who would be a potential winner in both contests this year. Because, to the knowledge of our members, only one enlisted man has been a winner in these contests to date, we feel that M/Sgt C. L. Jackson of Concord who is presently assigned to your Squadron would make a very good candidate.

I would appreciate it very much if you would talk with Sgt Jackson about this matter and inform me as to your decision as soon as possible. We must have all the information compiled and in our national office by September 27th. Should your and Sgt Jackson's answers be affirmative, we would need the support of your Public Information Office and we would need letters of commendation, recommendations and appreciation and all other pertinent information that the Air Force could furnish.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce in Concord is enthusiastic in sponsoring Sgt Jackson for these high honors. Should he become a winner, there would be a great reflection upon your Squadron and the U. S. Air Force.

Sincerely,

Herbert Cooper
President

Hometown News Release

**Base Information
Services Officer**

Comdr, 497TH FIS

22 JUL 57

1. Request that a news release concerning M/Sgt Jackson's selection as Outstanding Airman of ADC for 1957 be forwarded to the following hometown newspaper.

a. Diablo News, Concord California. (M/Sgt Jackson's home is in Concord, California.)

b. Local newspaper, Enid Oklahoma. (Mrs Elisa Hastings, the grandmother of M/Sgt Jackson resides in Enid.)

FOR THE COMMANDER:

**VAL R PEMBERTON
CAPT., USAF
Adjutant**

JOHN F. BALDWIN
MEMBER OF CONGRESS
6TH DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA

COMMITTEE ON
PUBLIC WORKS

WASHINGTON ADDRESS:
ROOM 321
HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
PHONE: NATIONAL 8-3120
EXT. 759

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
REPRESENTATIVE:
JACK MERCHANT
447 TENTH STREET
RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA
PHONE: BEACON 3-6343

SOLANO COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE:
MRS. MELVIN W. GIPE
313 MARYLAND STREET
VALLEJO, CALIFORNIA
PHONE: VALLEJO 2-9923

August 9, 1957

Master Sergeant Curtis L. Jackson, USAF
Geiger Field
Spokane, Washington

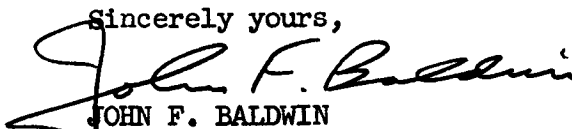
Dear Sergeant Jackson:

Enclosed is an autographed copy of the photograph which was taken when you visited my office on your trip to Washington.

May I congratulate you again for the outstanding achievement you have attained in being selected the "Outstanding Airman" of the United States Air Force Air Defense Command. This is certainly a remarkable recognition of the superior work you have done in the Air Force.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,



JOHN F. BALDWIN
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Enclosure



Left to right: Lt Colonel Warren A Bennett, Commander of 497th
Fighter Interceptor Squadron; M/Sgt Curtis L Jackson, 1957 Outstanding
Airman of ADC; M/Sgt Daniel Beeman, 1956 Outstanding Airman of ADC.



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Randy

This is not in order but you
can figure out what you want.

Cal. Bennett was my CO & Dan

Beeman was ADC man in 1956.

After being ADC Airman of the
year 1957 the Chamber of Commerce
recommended me for 5 most outstanding
man of the year for Calif. That was
nice but I was up against some
real smart people who deserved it more
except some BOXER - I forgot his name
now.

If Don can make it for your
graduation I'll be there.

Paul

Dad



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