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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

August 31, 2012

Freedom of Information Act Office

JAN NORTHRUP
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Dear Ms. Northrup,

This is in response to your FOIA request 12-6773 in which you requested a copy of the Individual Deceased Personnel File (IDPF) pertaining to Arthur D. Betker and Edward L. Retz. Your request is granted in full.

A copy of the IDPF has been forwarded via email thru the AMRDEC SAFE system. The email will include a link and a password for access to download the file. All relevant and available information are included in the file at the time it was created. There is no additional responsive information maintained by this Command. Please be advised that we do not specialize in historical information and cannot speculate, evaluate documents or circumstances, or draw conclusions in order to answer any questions you may have about the IDPF.

Other information on personnel-related records might be maintained by the National Personnel Records Center. If you have not already done so, you can make a written request for information to the National Personnel Records Center, Military Personnel Records, 1 Archives Drive, St. Louis, MO 63138. For more information on NPRC, call: 314-801-0800 or visit their site at: <http://www.archives.gov/st-louis/>.

Army historical records which contain unit histories may be on file at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center, Attn: Patron Services Division, 950 Soldiers Drive, Carlisle PA 17013-5021. Although unit histories do not normally include information about specific personnel, they will show the unit's activities and participation during the war. For more information on USAHEC, call: (717) 245-3971 or visit their site at <http://www.carlisle.army.mil/ahec/>.

Official Army unit records prior to 1939 may also be found at the Military Reference Branch National Archives and Records Administration, 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20408-0001. Tel: 1-866-272-6272/ <http://www.archives.gov/dc-metro/>. From 1939 onward, including units that served in Southeast Asia: Modern Military Records National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road College Park, MD 20740-6001. Tel: 301-837-3510/ <http://www.archives.gov/dc-metro/college-park/>.

The New York Public Library may also contain Army unit records. For more information call 917-275-6975, or visit their site at <http://www.nypl.org/>.

Thank you for your interest in the Army Human Resources Command's Freedom of Information Act program. If you have any questions regarding your request please contact our office at (502) 613-4203 or at aaron.a.alton.civ@mail.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Aaron A. Alton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Aaron A. Alton
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