

<b>REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY</b> <i>(See instructions on reverse)</i>		LEAVE BLANK (NARA use only)	
TO National Archives and Records Administration (NIR) 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001		JOB NUMBER <i>N1-AU-97-31</i>	DATE RECEIVED <i>8-27-97</i>
1 FROM (Agency or establishment) U.S. Army		NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY  In accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C. 3303a the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked "disposition not approved" or "withdrawn" in column 10	
2 MAJOR SUBDIVISION U.S. Total Army Personnel Command			
3 MINOR SUBDIVISION Records Management Program Division			
4 NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER	5 TELEPHONE	DATE <i>for</i> ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES <i>11/6/98</i> <i>Howard N. Greenhalgh</i>	

6 AGENCY CERTIFICATION  
I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached \_\_\_ page(s) are not now needed for the business of this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified; and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO Manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies,

is not required;     is attached, or     has been requested.

DATE <i>20 Aug 97</i>	SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE <i>Howard N. Greenhalgh</i> HOWARD N. GREENHALGH	TITLE Chief, Records Management Program Division
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7 ITEM NO.	8 DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION	9 GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10 ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)
1	<p>BACKGROUND: Department of Defense Directive number 5154.24 assigns responsibility for maintaining the Armed Forces Repository of Specimen Samples for the Identification of Remains. This includes DNA samples of service members. Previous directives have dictated maintaining these samples for 75 years. DoDD 5154.24 reduced that period to 50 years with the caveat that individuals could request earlier destruction upon separation from service.</p> <p>File Number. 40-57a Title: DNA Registry files Privacy Act: A0040-57aDASG Description: Information relating to Deoxyribonucleic Acid (DNA) specimen collections (oral swabs and dried blood stains, tubes of blood) and computer files on donors and potential donors containing accession number, specimen locator information, collection date, place of collection, individual's name, social security number, right index fingerprint, signature, branch of service, sex, race and ethnic origin, address, place of birth, and similar relevant information. Statistical data expunged of personal identifying information needed for research and educational projects. Disposition: a. Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Walter Reed Army Medical Center: (1) Destroy after 50 years or upon donor request following completion of military service or other applicable relationship to DoD. (2) Statistical data used for research and educational projects Destroy 1 year after end of project b. Other offices: Destroy when no longer need for reference purposes.</p>	N1-AU-93-4	

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