

Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Montgomery, Jr. (Class 49-43)

LTC (Ret) Charles W. Montgomery, Jr. was a research analyst in the Research and Analysis Section of the Tactics/Combined Arms Department, USAFAS at the time of his induction into the Artillery OCS Hall of Fame.

The only document contained in his Artillery OCS Hall of Fame File was the following memorandum noting that his induction was approved by Major General Crosby and Brigadier General Jones and he was induced into the Hall of Fame on January 27, 1984.



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MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL HAGWOOD

SUBJECT: OCS Hall of Fame Induction of LTC(R) Charles W. Montgomery

1. On 24 January 1984, this command was notified of the AC's desire to induct LTC(R) Charles W. Montgomery into the OCS Hall of Fame during his civilian awards ceremony in the Combined Arms Room of Snow Hall on 27 January 1984.
2. LTC(R) Montgomery did not meet any of the three prerequisites necessary for induction (para 1, Encl 1). General Order Number 115, USAAMC (Encl 2) which established the OCS Hall of Fame was reviewed for guidance. The General Order does not spell out the criteria for induction but only states that the Hall of Fame will "honor distinguished graduates". Additionally, the Board of Governors for the OCS Hall of Fame as outlined in the General Order does not now exist since the dissolution of the OCS Brigade.
3. An older copy of the OCS rules was found in the files. According to the more elaborate description of eligibility it contained (Encl 3), LTC(R) Montgomery could be nominated for induction by the Commandant and/or the Assistant Commandant because of his outstanding service to his profession. This information was relayed to the AC and afterwards the School Secretary called MAJ Velten on 25 January and said that MG Crosby and BG Jones had approved Mr. Montgomery's induction and directed that necessary paperwork be accomplished to enable the ceremony to occur on 27 January. The paperwork was assembled, processing conducted and Mr. Montgomery was inducted into the OCS Hall of Fame by BG Jones during his Snow Hall awards ceremony on 27 January.
4. After subsequent discussions with the post AG, we propose to draft an amendment to General Order #115. In the Amendment we would update section III for the designation of the Board of Governors, which we feel should consist of the Post Chief of Staff and the Custodian and Executor of the OCS Hall of Fame. If possible, one of these individuals should be an OCS graduate. We would also add a Section IV to the General Order which officially delineates the criteria for selection to include special cases like that of Mr. Montgomery.
5. We await further guidance before proceeding with this action.

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