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EX LIEUTENANT COMMANDER GERALD RUDOLPH FORD, JUNIOR, U.S. NAVAL RESERVE
TRANSCRIPT OF NAVAL SERVICE

14 Jul 1913 Born in Omaha, Nebraska
 13 Apr 1942 Ensign, U.S. Naval Reserve
 20 Apr 1942 Reported for active duty
 2 Jun 1942 Lieutenant (junior grade)
 1 Mar 1943 Lieutenant
 3 Oct 1945 Lieutenant Commander
 23 Feb 1946 Released from active duty under honorable conditions
 28 Jun 1963 Honorably discharged from U.S. Naval Reserve

<u>SHIPS AND STATIONS</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md. (Instruction)	Apr 1942	May 1942
U.S. Navy Pro-Flight School, Chapel Hill, N.C. (Student)	May 1942	May 1943
New York Shipbuilding Corporation, Camden, N.J. (CFO USS MONTEREY (CVL-26))	May 1943	Jun 1943
USS MONTEREY (CVL-26) (Assistant Navigator)	Jun 1943	Dec 1944
Navy Pre-Flight School, St. Mary's College, Calif. (Athletic Department)	Dec 1944	Apr 1945
Staff, Naval Reserve Training Command, NAS Glenview, Illinois. (Staff, Physical and Military Training Off.)	Apr 1945	Jan 1946
U.S. Naval Officer, Separation Center, Great Lakes, Illinois. (Separation processing)	Jan 1946	Feb 1946

PERSONAL DECORATIONS

NONE

RESERVE AFFILIATION

NONE (Discharged 28 June 1963)



[Signature]

The following is additional information concerning LCDR Gerald R. Ford, Jr., USNR.

16 May 42 to 28 Nov 42 - Under instruction in connection with Aviation Pre-Flight Program at U.S. Naval Academy Annapolis, Md. (Reported for active duty 20 Apr 42.) Duties: Under Instruction

27 May 42 to 28 Nov 42 - Platoon Officer and Athletic Instructor at U.S. Navy Preflight School, Chapel Hill, N. C.

28 Nov 42 to 25 May 43 - Military Department, Special Details at U.S. Navy Pre-Flight School, Chapel Hill, N. C. Cdr John P. Graff, USN (Ret.), his Commanding Officer, at Chapel Hill rated LT Ford as a most outstanding officer. He said LT Ford was most capable, most loyal and absolutely dependable. He also indicated that LT Ford was a distinct credit to the service who could be trusted with responsibilities. CDR Graff recommended him for promotion. (Cannot find CDR Graff on current retired list or deceased lists - whereabouts unknown.)

LT Ford's duty preference was an aircraft carrier in the Pacific Ocean Area. He was ordered to the commissioning detail of the Light Aircraft Carrier USS MONTEREY (CVL-26) which was being fitted out in New Jersey in preparation for duty with the Pacific Fleet. In May 1943 he reported aboard and was assigned as Second Division Officer and was on the Welfare Board, Assistant Athletic Officer and Deck Watch Officer.

Captain L. T. Hundt, USN, now a retired Rear Admiral of Berwyn, Pa., rated LT Ford as a great leader. He has qualified, acted as watch officer and as a 40 mm battery officer. His commanding officer noted that he had a remarkable personality and an exceptional military character. Again he was certified as qualified, and heartily recommended for promotion. From 28 June 1943 to 10 April 1944 his ship went through initial trials and shakedown runs and later joined task forces in the Pacific Ocean area. USS Monterey took part in battles for the Gilbert Islands, New Ireland, Marshalls, Truk, Tinian-Saipan (Marianas Islands) and Palau.



From 11 April 1944 through 24 December 1944, LT Ford's Commanding Officer, Captain Stuart H. Ingersoll, USN, (Retired as VADM Ingersoll at Newport, R.I.), highly rated LT Ford when the latter served as Assistant Navigator, Historical Officer and Athletic Officer of the MONTEREY. CAPT Ingersoll said Lieutenant Ford was an outstanding officer, most valuable to the ship as Assistant Navigator and Officer of the Deck. He had a thorough knowledge and ready grasp of seamanship and tactics; was steady, reliable and resourceful. His judgment and well considered recommendations were reliable. He was rated an excellent navigator and all around ship's officer. His unfailing good humor, pleasing personality and natural ability as a leader made him well liked and respected by the officers and men. He was an excellent organizer who could be relied upon for the successful conclusion of any operation. His moral and military character were considered outstanding. Admiral Ingersoll said he was well fitted and strongly recommended for promotion.

During the above period the MONTEREY was employed in the Occupation of Hollandia, New Guinea, Second Raid on Truk Islands, Occupation of Marianas Island, First Battle of Philippine Sea, Third Raid on Bonin Islands, Raid on Wake Island, Raid on Okinawa Jima, Raid on Formosa, Occupation of Philippines and Second Battle of Philippine Sea.

From December 1944 to 29 January 1945 LT Ford was on leave prior to reporting to the U.S. Navy pre-flight School at St. Marys College, Calif. where he was assigned to the Athletic Department until April 1945. On 1 May 1945 he was assigned to the Staff, Chief of Naval Aviation Primary Training Command at the Naval Air Station, Glenview, Ill. for duty as Assistant Staff Physical and Military Training Officer. At that time Rear Admiral O. B. Hardison, (now deceased), was Chief of Naval Aviation Primary Training Command. When he was detached from this command on 12 January 1946 he was a Lieutenant-Commander, Deputy Chief of Naval Air Reserve Training, Captain Harry E. Sears (Now retired as RADM at Chevy Chase, Md.), said that in his last active duty tour Lieutenant Commander Ford fulfilled his assigned duties in a highly satisfactory manner and in addition demonstrated initiative and a willingness to accept added responsibilities. He constantly sought opportunities to broaden and improve his naval background. In situations requiring tact and diplomacy he was unusually adept. LCDR Ford, Captain Sears noted, was at his best in situations dealing directly with people because he commanded the respect of all with whom he came in contact.



LT Gerald R. Ford, Jr. -3-3-3

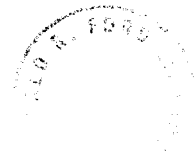
While in the Navy during WWII, LT Ford earned the following:

American Campaign Medal
Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal with 8 bronze battle stars
World War II Victory Medal
Philippine Liberation Ribbon with two bronze stars

While serving in the light aircraft carrier USS MONTEREY he participated in the following actions:

Gilbert Islands Operation
Bismarck Archipelago Operation
Marshall Islands Operation
Asiatic Pacific Raids in 1944
Hollandia Operations, Aitape and Humboldt Bay
Marianas Islands Operations
Western Carolines Operations
Western New Guina Operations (21 Apr 44, 9 June 1945)
Leyte Gulf Operations

Note: Nine operations but is entitled to 8 battle stars or one Silver & 3 Bronze.



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U. S. NAVAL RESERVE EDUCATIONAL CENTER
Room 133 Custom House
New Orleans, La.
26 May 1943

From: Officer in Charge.
To : Lieut. Gerald R. FORD, Jr., D-V(S), USNR.
Supervisor of Shipbuilding
New York Shipbuilding Corporation
Camden, New Jersey

Subject: Correspondence Course in
NAVY REGULATIONS & CUSTOMS,
Completion of.

1. On 25 May 1943 you successfully completed the correspondence course in the above subject with a mark of 3.95.

2. This Center, on behalf of the Chief of Naval Personnel, wishes to congratulate you on this evidence of your initiative and interest in increasing your efficiency as an officer of the Naval Reserve.

3. A copy of this letter will be placed on file with your official record.

J. B. Goldman
J. B. GOLDMAN



Copy to:
Bureau of Naval Personnel
Card to:
Bureau of Naval Personnel

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE MEMBER AND SUBMITTED WITH HIS REPORTS ON A REPORT OF PART 3

1. NAME (LAST) **FORD** (FIRST) **Gerald** (MIDDLE) **Rudolph, Jr.** RANK AND CLASSIFICATION **Lt. Comdr. AD**

MEMBER OF: DEPT. RESERVE VOL. RESERVE RES. RET.

DATE OF FIRST COMMISSION **Apr. 16, 1942** DATE OF PRESENT RANK **Oct. 5, 1945**

BRANCH (REGIONS ONLY) USN USNR USNRC USNRCB USNRCR USNRCF USNRCM USNRCN USNRCO USNRCR USNRCF USNRCM USNRCN USNRCO

DATE OF BIRTH **July 14, 1913** MARRIED SINGLE

NO. OF DEPENDENTS: _____

PRESENT ADDRESS (STREET AND NO.) (CITY) (STATE) Naval District **9**

1011 Santa Cruz Dr., Grand Rapids, Michigan

OFFICIAL RESIDENCE (STREET AND NO.) (CITY) (STATE) Naval District _____

Same Michigan

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN **Mrs. Dorothy G. Ford, 1011 Santa Cruz Dr., Grand Rapids, Michigan**

OTHER (SPECIFY): _____

3. FOREIGN LANGUAGE ABILITY

	TRANSLATE			INTERPRET		
	Good	Fair	Poor	Good	Fair	Poor

4. SPECIAL SKILLS, HOBBIES, ETC.

5. CIVILIAN EDUCATION

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY	DATES ATTENDED		TYPE		DEGREES CONFERRED		SEMESTER HOURS
	FROM	TO	DAY	NIGHT	TITLE	DATE	
University of Michigan	1931	1935	X		BA	JUNE 1935	UNDERGRAD. GRADUATE
Yale University Law School	1938	1941	X		LLB	JUNE 1941	

UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR _____ GRADUATE MAJOR _____

TRADE OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL ATTENDED _____ COURSE _____ HOURS OF INSTRUCTION _____

6. FOREIGN RESIDENCE AND TRAVEL

NAVAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES	(Check either column)		WEEKS
	COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS	

7. LIST LICENSES NOW IN EFFECT IN TRADES OR PROFESSIONS

	DATE OF FIRST LICENSE	DATE OF MOST RECENT LICENSE
Attorney at Law	May 1941	

8. CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT

PLACE (CITY) (STATE) **Grand Rapids, Michigan**

EXACT TITLE OF YOUR POSITION **Attorney at law**

FROM: **Jan. 1946** TO: _____

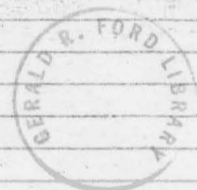
DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES **Associate in firm**

NAME OF EMPLOYER **Butterfield, Amberg, Law & Buchen**

KIND OF BUSINESS **Attorneys**

NO. AND CLASS OF EMPLOYEES YOU SUPERVISE _____

ANNUAL SALARY (Optional): BELOW \$2,500 \$2,500 TO \$4,000 ABOVE \$4,000



9. PUBLICATIONS, INVENTIONS, SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS

10. IN VIEW OF YOUR TOTAL NAVAL AND CIVILIAN EXPERIENCE, FOR WHAT ASSIGNMENT DO YOU CONSIDER YOU ARE MOST SUITED IN EVENT OF A NATIONAL MOBILIZATION?

AFLAG: ASHORE: _____

ARE YOU PHYS. QUAL. FOR SEA DUTY? YES NO DON'T KNOW

DATE OF LAST NAVY PHYS. EXAMINATION **Jan. 1945**

11. PEACETIME ASSIGNMENT IN NAVAL RESERVE Attachment to or association with any unit of the ORGANIZED or VOLUNTEER Reserve

BILLET _____ UNIT _____ LOCATION _____

12. MY PRESENT OCCUPATION WILL WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH MY MOBILIZATION IN THE EVENT OF A NATIONAL EMERGENCY

13. NAVY FLIGHT EXPERIENCE (TOTAL—See instructions) Place an "X" in the squares which represent the degrees of TOTAL experience you have had in the various squadrons and show the approximate TOTAL number of flight hours in each.

TIME SPENT	VF	VSB	VTB	VOS/VSO	VN/VSN	Land-plane	Sea-plane	Land-plane	Sea-plane	VJ	VG	ZNN/ZNP	ZR	OTHER (Specify)
						VPB	VPB	VR	VR					
1 TO 9 MONTHS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9 TO 18 MONTHS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MORE THAN 18 MONTHS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NUMBER OF HOURS														

TOTAL NUMBER OF NAVY FLIGHT HOURS TO DATE: _____ TYPES QUALIFIED TO INSTRUCT IN: _____ CARRIER QUALIFIED LAST DATE: _____ PPC QUAL LAST DATE: _____

14. GENERAL REMARKS (Include information concerning any change in health which might prevent service in time of National Emergency)

Possibility that eyes are not as good as they were.

15. WHAT IS THE HIGHEST NAVAL ASSIGNMENT AT SEA WHICH YOU ARE FULLY QUALIFIED TO PERFORM WITHOUT FURTHER TRAINING? **Aircraft carrier. Gunnery division officer or assistant navigator.**

DATE **July 28, 1947** SIGNATURE **Gerald R. Ford Jr.**

To be submitted by all officers on inactive duty. COMPLY WITH INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE OF PAGE 3

1. NAME (LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE) RANK OR CLASSIFICATION
 Ford Gerald R. Jr. Lt. Condr.

2. MEMBER OF (CHECK ONE)
 ORG. RESERVE VOL. RESERVE JCN.
 DATE OF FIRST COMMISSION DATE OF PRESENT RANK
 April 20, 1942 - Oct. 3, 1945

BRANCH (CHECK ONE) *Members Organized *Members Reorganized DATE OF BIRTH (CHECK ONE)
 USNR-ON USNR OFF-DUTY July 14, 1913 MARRIED SINGLE No. OF DEPENDENTS: to be

PRESENT ADDRESS (STREET AND NO.) (CITY) (STATE) Naval District
 500 Michigan Trust Bldg, Grand Rapids 2, Michigan 9th

OFFICIAL RESIDENCE (STREET AND NO.) (CITY) (STATE) Naval District
 1011 Santa Cruz Dr., Grand Rapids, Michigan 9th

NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
 1011 Santa Cruz Dr., Grand Rapids, Michigan

3. FOREIGN LANGUAGE ABILITY

LANGUAGE	TRANSLATE			INTERPRET		
	Good	Fair	Poor	Good	Fair	Poor
French			X			X

4. SPECIAL SKILLS, HOBBIES, ETC.

5. CIVILIAN EDUCATION

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY	DATES ATTENDED		TYPE		DEGREES CONFERRED		SEMESTER HOURS
	FROM	TO	DAY	NIGHT	TITLE	DATE	UNDERGRAD. / GRADUATE
University of Michigan	9/31	5/35			B.A.		GRADUATE
Economics					Yale Law School		GRADUATE

TRADE OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL ATTENDED COURSE HOURS OF INSTRUCTION

6. FOREIGN RESIDENCE AND TRAVEL

NAVAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES	(Check either column)		WEEKS
	COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS	

7. LIST LICENSES NOW IN EFFECT IN TRADES OR PROFESSIONS

LICENSE	DATE OF FIRST LICENSE	DATE OF MOST RECENT LICENSE
Attorney	May, 1941	

8. CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT

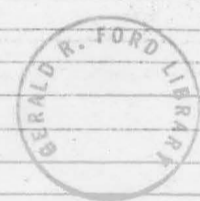
PLACE (CITY) (STATE) EXACT TITLE OF YOUR POSITION
 Grand Rapids, Michigan Attorney

FROM: Jan., 1946 TO: DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
 Butterfield, Amberg, Law & Buchen Attorneys

NAME OF EMPLOYER KING OF BUSINESS
 Attorneys

NO. AND CLASS OF EMPLOYEES YOU SUPERVISE

ANNUAL SALARY (Optional): BELOW \$2,500 \$2,500 TO \$4,000 ABOVE \$4,000



9. PUBLICATIONS, INVENTIONS, SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS

10. IN VIEW OF YOUR TOTAL NAVAL AND CIVILIAN EXPERIENCE, FOR WHAT ASSIGNMENT DO YOU CONSIDER YOU ARE MOST SUITED IN EVENT OF A NATIONAL MOBILIZATION?

AFLOAT: ASHORE:

ARE YOU PHYS. QUAL. FOR SEA DUTY? YES NO DON'T KNOW

DATE OF LAST NAVY PHYS. EXAMINATION: Jan., 1946

11. PEACETIME ASSIGNMENT IN NAVAL RESERVE Attachment to or association with any unit of the ORGANIZED or VOLUNTEER Reserve

BILLET UNIT LOCATION

NO. OF DRILLS ATTENDED (FISCAL YEAR): NO. OF DAYS TRAINING DUTY (FISCAL YEAR): LOCATION OF TRAINING DUTY: TOTAL DAYS TRAINING DUTY IN PRESENT RANK:

IF NOT ALREADY A MEMBER OF THE ORGANIZED RESERVE, DO YOU WISH TO ENROLL? YES NO

IF not a member of the Organized Reserve describes any activity in connection with the Naval Reserve during the fiscal year.

12. MY PRESENT OCCUPATION WILL WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH MY MOBILIZATION IN THE EVENT OF A NATIONAL EMERGENCY

13. NAVY FLIGHT EXPERIENCE (TOTAL—See Instructions) Place an "X" in the squares which represent the degrees of TOTAL experience you have had in the various squadrons and show the approximate TOTAL number of flight hours in each.

TIME SPENT	VF	VSB	VTB	VOS/VSO	VN/VSN	Land-plane VPB	Sea-plane VPB	Land-plane VR	Sea-plane VR	VJ	VG	ZNN/ZNP	ZR	OTHER (Specify)
1 TO 3 MONTHS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 TO 12 MONTHS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MORE THAN 12 MONTHS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NUMBER OF HOURS														
TOTAL NUMBER OF NAVY FLIGHT HOURS TO DATE:	TYPES QUALIFIED TO INSTRUCT IN:				CARRIER QUALIFIED LAST DATE				PPC QUAL. LAST DATE					

COMMERCIAL AND CIVILIAN FLIGHT EXPERIENCE

SINGLE ENGINE (Land)	(TYPE)	(H. P.)	(HRS. LAST 12 MONTHS)	SINGLE ENGINE (Sea)	(TYPE)	(H. P.)	(HRS. LAST 12 MONTHS)	TOTAL NUMBER OF CIVILIAN FLIGHT HOURS TO DATE
MULTI-ENGINE (Land)				MULTI-ENGINE (Sea)				

14. GENERAL REMARKS (Include information concerning any change in health which might prevent service in time of National Emergency)

15. WHAT IS THE HIGHEST NAVAL ASSIGNMENT AT SEA WHICH YOU ARE FULLY QUALIFIED TO PERFORM WITHOUT FURTHER TRAINING? (TYPE SHIP) (BILLET)
 Aircraft carrier (CVL) deck officer

DATE: September 28, 1948 SIGNATURE: Gerald R. Ford Jr.

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REPORT ON THE FITNESS OF OFFICERS

(To be submitted in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 2, U. S. Navy Regulations, 1920, and Bureau of Navigation Manual, Article C-1007)

(Before making out this report read latest Bureau of Navigation circular letter on the subject of fitness reports)

The following four questions to be made out by the officer reported on:

Ford, Gerald Rudolph Jr., Rank Ensign, U. S. N. R.
(Surname first)
Station USNA, Annapolis, Md. Period from April 2th to May 16th, 1942
(Aviation units enter naval station to which attached)

1. Regular duties Under instruction in connection with aviation pre-flight program.

Additional duties _____
(After each duty insert in parentheses number of months this reporting period)

2. Present address of { wife (if married) No
next of kin (if unmarried) 1011 Santa Cruz, Grand Rapids, Michigan

(Indicate above the best address at which the Bureau of Navigation may communicate with the wife or next of kin in an emergency. The above address does not relate to the usual residence (home) which is maintained in the Bureau. See Art. 135(2), U. S. N. R., 1920.)

3. Proficiency in foreign languages, stating which ones, and ability therein _____

French (mediocre) (two years of college)

4. My preference for next duty is—

(a) Sea Wherever required Fleet _____

(b) Shore North Carolina Location _____

Gerald Rudolph Ford Jr.
Gerald Rudolph (Signature) Ford, Jr.

Following to be made out by Reporting Officer:

5. Reporting Officer: Name M. S. TISDALE, Rank Captain, U. S. N.

6. Reporting officer's official status relative to officer reported on _____

7. Assign marks on scale of 0-4 in appropriate subdivisions given below, and any other qualification on which observation has been sufficient to justify marking.
(Staff officers to be marked with respect to required duties. Mark below 2.5 constitutes an unsatisfactory report)

Present assignment _____ Ability to command _____ As executive or division officer _____

As deck watch officer _____ In administration _____

8. Has the work of this officer been reported on either in a commendatory way or adversely during the period of this report? If so, state the subject, reference numbers, and substance of report. Clip copy to report. Comply with U. S. Navy Regulations, Article 137 (11) with respect to commendatory reports. Any adverse comment constitutes an unsatisfactory report.

UNDER INSTRUCTION

Satisfactorily completed
Indoctrination Course

Performance of

Duty and Conduct Satisfactory

9. Considering the possible requirements in war, indicate your attitude toward having this officer under your command. Would you—
(An affirmative entry in item (4) constitutes an unsatisfactory report)

(1) Particularly desire to have him? _____ (2) Be pleased to have him? _____ (3) Be satisfied to have him? _____

(4) Prefer not to have him? _____ SEP - 27 1950

10. Has he any weaknesses—mental, moral, physical, etc.—which adversely affect his efficiency? (If "Yes," give details.)
(An implied or stated defect constitutes an unsatisfactory report)



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(Before making out this report read latest Bureau of Navigation circular letter on the subject of fitness reports)

The following four questions to be made out by the officer reported on:

FORD, Gerald R., Jr. ^S DEF. 28 1942, Rank Lieut. (jg) D-V(1), U. S. N. R.

Station US Navy PreFlight School, Chapel Hill, N. C. Period from 5/27/42 to 11-28-42
(Aviation units enter naval station to which attached)

1. Regular duties Platoon Officer

Additional duties Athletic Instructor
(After each duty insert in parentheses number of months this reporting period)

2. Present address of { wife (if married) _____
next of kin (if unmarried) 1011 Santa Cruz Drive., Grand Rapids, Michigan
(Indicate above the best address at which the Bureau of Navigation may communicate with the wife or next of kin in an emergency. The above address does not relate to the usual residence (home) which is maintained in the Bureau. See Art. 135(2), U. S. N. R., 1920.)

3. Proficiency in foreign languages, stating which ones, and ability therein French - poor

4. My preference for next duty is—

(a) Sea X Fleet _____

(b) Shore _____ Location _____

Gerald Rudolph Ford Jr.
(Signature)

Following to be made out by Reporting Officer:

5. Reporting Officer: Name O. O. KESSING, Rank Commander, U. S. N.

6. Reporting officer's official status relative to officer reported on Commanding Officer



7. Assign marks on scale of 0-4 in appropriate subdivisions given below, and any other qualification on which observation has been sufficient to justify marking.
(Staff officers to be marked with respect to required duties. Mark below 2.5 constitutes an unsatisfactory report)

Present assignment 4.0 Ability to command 3.5 As executive or division officer _____
As deck watch officer _____ In administration 3.5

8. Has the work of this officer been reported on either in a commendatory way or adversely during the period of this report? If so, state the subject, reference numbers, and substance of report. Clip copy to report. Comply with U. S. Navy Regulations, Article 137 (11) with respect to commendatory reports. Any adverse comment constitutes an unsatisfactory report.
No

9. Considering the possible requirements in war, indicate your attitude toward having this officer under your command. Would you—
(An affirmative entry in item (4) constitutes an unsatisfactory report)

(1) Particularly desire to have him? X (2) Be pleased to have him? _____ (3) Be satisfied to have him? _____
(4) Prefer not to have him? _____
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10. Has he any weaknesses—mental, moral, physical, etc.—which adversely affect his efficiency? (If "Yes," give details.)
(An implied or stated defect constitutes an unsatisfactory report)
No

11. To what degree has he exhibited the following qualities? (See instructions in latest Bureau of Navigation circular letter on the subject of fitness reports.)

Intelligence (With reference to the faculty of comprehension; mental acuteness.)	Exceptionally quick-witted; keen in understanding.	Grasps essentials of a situation quickly.	Understands normal situations and conditions.	Slow of comprehension; unimaginative.
Judgment (With reference to a discriminating perception by which the values and relations of things are mentally asserted.)	Unusually keen in estimating situations and reaching sound decisions.	Can generally be depended on to make proper decisions.	Fair judgment in normal and routine things.	Frequently draws wrong conclusions.
Initiative (With reference to constructive thinking and resourcefulness; ability and intelligence to act on own responsibility.)	Exceptional in ability to think, plan, and do things without waiting to be told and instructed.	Able to plan and execute missions on his own responsibility.	Capable of performing routine duties on own responsibility.	Requires constant guidance and supervision in his work, or evades responsibilities.
Force (With reference to moral power possessed and exerted in producing results.)	Strong, dynamic.	Strong.	Effectual under normal and routine circumstances.	Less than normal.
Leadership (With reference to the faculty of directing, controlling, and influencing others in definite lines of action.)	Inspires others to a high degree by precept and example.	A very good leader.	Leads fairly well.	A poor leader.
Moral Courage (With reference to that mental quality which impels one to carry out the dictates of his conscience and convictions fearlessly.)	Exceptionally courageous.	Courageous to a high degree.	Fairly courageous.	Timid.
Cooperation (With reference to the faculty of working harmoniously with others toward the accomplishment of common duties.)	Exceptionally successful in working with others to a common end.	Works in harmony with others.	Cooperates fairly well.	Not cooperative.
Loyalty (Fidelity, faithfulness, allegiance, constancy — all with reference to a cause and to higher authority.)	Unswerving in allegiance; frank and honest in aiding and advising.	A high sense of loyalty.	Reasonably faithful in the execution of his duty.	Inclined to be disloyal.
Perseverance (With reference to maintenance of purpose or undertaking in spite of obstacles or discouragement.)	Determined, resolute.	Constant in purpose.	Fairly steady.	Inclined to vacillate.
Reactions in emergencies (With reference to the faculty of acting instinctively in a logical manner in difficult and unforeseen situations.)	Exceptionally cool-headed and logical in his actions under all conditions.	Composed and logical in his actions in difficult situations.	Fairly logical in his actions in general.	Inclined to be disconcerted.
Endurance (With reference to ability for carrying on under any and all conditions.)	Capable of standing an exceptional amount of physical hardships and strain.	Can perform well his duties under trying conditions.	Of normal endurance.	Less than normal.
Industry (With reference to performance of duties in an energetic manner.)	Extremely energetic and industrious.	Thorough and energetic.	Reasonably energetic and industrious.	Indolent; lazy.
Military bearing and neatness of person and dress (With reference to dignity of demeanor, correctness of uniform, and smartness of appearance.)	Exceptional.	Very good.	Fair.	Unmilitary and untidy.

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12. In comparison with other officers of his rank and approximate length of service, how would you designate this officer? Outstanding ✓ Above average _____ Average _____ Below average _____

REMARKS

13. Is this officer professionally qualified to perform ALL the duties of his grade? Yes ✓ No _____ If deficient in any particular, comment is required. Give in this space a clear, concise estimate of this officer's personal and military character, his fitness for promotion, and duty performed worthy of special mention, and any information which might be of value to the Department in making assignments to duty. A check opposite "No," except for inexperienced Ensigns, or a statement that performance of duty is clearly unsatisfactory constitutes an unsatisfactory report. A statement of minor deficiencies either in character or performance of duties constitutes an unfavorable report. (THIS SPACE IS NOT TO BE LEFT BLANK.)

An outstanding officer, one of the finest in the station and an excellent shipmate.

[Handwritten Signature]

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14. An unsatisfactory report must have statement of officer reported on attached; an unfavorable report requires that officer reported on has been informed of his deficiencies either verbally or in writing. Has this been done? _____ What improvement, if any, has been noted? _____

(Signature)

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REPORT ON THE FITNESS OF OFFICERS

(To be submitted in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 2, U. S. Navy Regulations, 1920, and Bureau of Navigation Manual, Article C-1007)

(Before making out this report read latest Bureau of Naval Personnel circular letter on the subject of fitness reports)

The following four questions to be made out by the officer reported on:

APR 14 1943

FORD, Gerald P., Jr., Rank Lieut. D-7(S), U. S. N. P.

(Surname first)

Station USN PFS, Chapel Hill, N.C. Period from 11-23-42 to 3-31-43

(Aviation units enter naval station to which attached)

1. Regular duties Military Dept., Special Details

Additional duties _____
(After each duty insert in parentheses number of months this reporting period)

2. Present address of
wife (if married) _____
next of kin (if unmarried) 1011 Santa Cruz Drive, Grand Rapids, Mich.

(Indicate above the best address at which the Bureau of Navigation may communicate with the wife or next of kin in an emergency. The above address does not relate to the usual residence (home) which is maintained in the Bureau. See Art. 185(2), U. S. N. R., 1920.)

3. Proficiency in foreign languages, stating which ones, and ability therein French - poor

4. My preference for next duty is—

(a) Sea _____ Fleet _____

(b) Shore _____ Location _____



Gerald Rudolph Ford Jr.
(Signature)

Following to be made out by Reporting Officer:

5. Reporting Officer: Name JOHN P. GRAFF, Rank Commander, U. S. N.

(Ret)

6. Reporting officer's official status relative to officer reported on Commanding Officer

7. Assign marks on scale of 0-4 in appropriate subdivisions given below, and any other qualification on which observation has been sufficient to justify marking.
(Staff officers to be marked with respect to required duties. Mark below 2.5 constitutes an unsatisfactory report)

Present assignment 4.0 Ability to command 4.0 As executive or division officer 3.9
As deck watch officer 3.9 In administration 4.0

8. Has the work of this officer been reported on either in a commendatory way or adversely during the period of this report? If so, state the subject, reference numbers, and substance of report. Clip copy to report. Comply with U. S. Navy Regulations, Article 137 (11) with respect to commendatory reports. Any adverse comment constitutes an unsatisfactory report.

No

9. Considering the possible requirements in war, indicate your attitude toward having this officer under your command. Would you—
(An affirmative entry in item (4) constitutes an unsatisfactory report)

(1) Particularly desire to have him? yes (2) Be pleased to have him? _____ (3) Be satisfied to have him? _____

(4) Prefer not to have him? _____

10. Has he any weaknesses—mental, moral, physical, etc.—which adversely affect his efficiency? (If "Yes," give details.)
(An implied or stated defect constitutes an unsatisfactory report)

No

11. To what degree has he exhibited the following qualities? (See instructions in latest Bureau of Naval Personnel circular letter on the subject of fitness reports.)

Intelligence (With reference to the faculty of comprehension; mental acuteness.)	Exceptionally quick-witted; keen in understanding.	Grasps essentials of a situation quickly.	Understands normal situations and conditions.	Slow of comprehension; unimaginative.
Judgment (With reference to a discriminating perception by which the values and relations of things are mentally ascertained.)	Unusually keen in estimating situations and reaching sound decisions.	Can generally be depended on to make proper decisions.	Fair judgment in normal and routine things.	Frequently draws wrong conclusions.
Initiative (With reference to constructive thinking and resourcefulness; ability and intelligence to act on own responsibility.)	Exceptional in ability to think, plan, and do things without waiting to be told and instructed.	Able to plan and execute missions on his own responsibility.	Capable of performing routine duties on own responsibility.	Requires constant guidance and supervision in his work, or evades responsibilities.
Force (With reference to moral power possessed and exerted in producing results.)	Strong, dynamic.	Strong.	Effectual under normal and routine circumstances.	Less than normal.
Leadership (With reference to the faculty of directing, controlling, and influencing others in definite lines of action.)	Inspires others to a high degree by precept and example.	A very good leader.	Leads fairly well.	A poor leader.
Moral Courage (With reference to that mental quality which impels one to carry out the dictates of his conscience and convictions fearlessly.)	Exceptionally courageous.	Courageous to a high degree.	Fairly courageous.	Timid.
Cooperation (With reference to the faculty of working harmoniously with others toward the accomplishment of common duties.)	Exceptionally successful in working with others to a common end.	Works in harmony with others.	Cooperates fairly well.	Not cooperative.
Loyalty (Fidelity, faithfulness, allegiance, constancy — all with reference to a cause and to higher authority.)	Unswerving in allegiance; frank and honest in aiding and advising.	A high sense of loyalty.	Reasonably faithful in the execution of his duty.	Inclined to be disloyal.
Perseverance (With reference to maintenance of purpose or undertaking in spite of obstacles or discouragement.)	Determined, resolute.	Constant in purpose.	Fairly steady.	Inclined to vacillate.
Reactions in emergencies (With reference to the faculty of acting instinctively in a logical manner in difficult and unforeseen situations.)	Exceptionally cool-headed and logical in his actions under all conditions.	Composed and logical in his actions in difficult situations.	Fairly logical in his actions in general.	Inclined to be disconcerted.
Endurance (With reference to ability for carrying on under any and all conditions.)	Capable of standing an exceptional amount of physical hardships and strain.	Can perform well his duties under trying conditions.	Of normal endurance.	Less than normal.
Industry (With reference to performance of duties in an energetic manner.)	Extremely energetic and industrious.	Thorough and energetic.	Reasonably energetic and industrious.	Indolent; lazy.
Military bearing and neatness of person and dress (With reference to dignity of demeanor, correctness of uniform, and smartness of appearance.)	Exceptional.	Very good.	Fair.	Unmilitary and untidy.

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12. In comparison with other officers of his rank and approximate length of service, how would you designate this officer? Outstanding 4 Above average ----- Average ----- Below average -----

REMARKS

13. Is this officer professionally qualified to perform ALL the duties of his grade? Yes ✓ No ----- If deficient in any particular, comment is required. Give in this space a clear, concise estimate of this officer's personal and military character, his fitness for promotion, and duty performed worthy of special mention, and any information which might be of value to the Department in making assignments to duty. A check opposite "No," except for inexperienced Ensigns, or a statement that performance of duty is clearly unsatisfactory constitutes an unsatisfactory report. A statement of minor deficiencies either in character or performance of duties constitutes an unfavorable report. (THIS SPACE IS NOT TO BE LEFT BLANK.)

An outstanding officer, most capable, loyal, and energetic. Has very high ideals, and a keen sense of duty. Courageous and a true leader by men. A distinct credit to the Service. A high recommendation for promotion.

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John H. King

14. An unsatisfactory report must have statement of officer reported on attached; an unfavorable report requires that officer reported on has been informed of his deficiencies either verbally or in writing. Has this been done? ----- What improvement, if any, has been noted? -----

(Signature)

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REPORT ON THE FITNESS OF OFFICERS

(To be submitted in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 2, U. S. Navy Regulations, 1929, and Bureau of Navigation Manual, Article C-1007)

(Before making out this report read latest Bureau of Naval Personnel circular letter on the subject of fitness reports)

The following four questions to be made out by MAY 30 1943 officer reported on: File No. 141329

FORD, Gerald Rudolph Jr., Rank Lieut. D-V(S), U. S. N. R.

(Surname first)

Station USN FTS, Chapel Hill, N.C. Period from 4-1-43 to 5-25-45
(Aviation units enter naval station to which attached)

1. Regular duties Military Dept., Special Details

Additional duties _____
(After each duty insert in parentheses number of months this reporting period)

2. Present address of { wife (if married) _____
next of kin (if unmarried) 1011 Santa Cruz Drive, Grand Rapids, Mich.

(Indicate above the best address at which the Bureau of Navigation may communicate with the wife or next of kin in an emergency. The above address does not relate to the usual residence (home) which is maintained in the Bureau. See Art. 135(2), U. S. N. R., 1929.)

3. Proficiency in foreign languages, stating which ones, and ability therein French - Conversation and Translation -
poor

4. My preference for next duty is—

(a) Sea X Fleet _____

(b) Shore _____ Location _____

Gerald R. Ford Jr.
(Signature)



Following to be made out by Reporting Officer:

5. Reporting Officer: Name JOHN P. GRAFF, Rank COMMANDER, U. S. N. (RET.)

6. Reporting officer's official status relative to officer reported on Commanding Officer

7. Assign marks on scale of 0-4 in appropriate subdivisions given below, and any other qualification on which observation has been sufficient to justify marking.
(Staff officers to be marked with respect to required duties. Mark below 2.5 constitutes an unsatisfactory report)

Present assignment 4.0 Ability to command 4.0 As executive or division officer 4.0
As deck watch officer 4.0 In administration 4.0

8. Has the work of this officer been reported on either in a commendatory way or adversely during the period of this report? If so, state the subject, reference numbers, and substance of report. Clip copy to report. Comply with U. S. Navy Regulations, Article 137 (11) with respect to commendatory reports. Any adverse comment constitutes an unsatisfactory report.

No

9. Considering the possible requirements in war, indicate your attitude toward having this officer under your command. Would you—
(An affirmative entry in item (4) constitutes an unsatisfactory report)

(1) Particularly desire to have him? yes (2) Be pleased to have him? _____ (3) Be satisfied to have him? _____

(4) Prefer not to have him? _____ SEP - 27 1950

10. Has he any weaknesses—mental, moral, physical, etc.—which adversely affect his efficiency? (If "Yes," give details.)
(An implied or stated defect constitutes an unsatisfactory report)

No

THIS REPORT COVERS REGULAR REPORTING PERIOD - ALSO REPORT SUBMITTED UPON DETACHMENT OF COMMANDING OFFICER.

REPORT ON THE FITNESS OF OFFICERS

(To be submitted in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 2, U. S. Navy Regulations, 1920, and Bureau of Naval Personnel Manual, Article C-16(7))

(Before making out this report read latest Bureau of Naval Personnel circular letter on the subject of fitness reports)

The following four questions to be made out by the officer reported on:

File No. 141320

FORD, Gerald Rudolph, Jr., Rank Lieut., D-V(S), U. S. N. R.

Ship or Station U.S.S. MONTEREY
(Ship aviation units enter ship to which attached)

Period from 6/28/43 to 10 APR 1944

1. Regular duties 2nd Division Officer (9).

Additional duties Welfare Board; Asst. Athletic Officer., S.C.M. #2; D.W.O. (2).
(State watch duties, both deck and engineering. After each duty insert in parenthesis number of months this reporting period)

2. Present address of { wife (if married) _____
next of kin (if unmarried) 1011 Santa Cruz Drive, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

(Indicate above the best address at which the Bureau of Naval Personnel may communicate with the wife or next of kin in an emergency. The above address does not relate to the usual residence (home) which is maintained in the Bureau. See Art. 135(3), U. S. N. R., 1920.)

3. Proficiency in foreign languages, stating which ones, and ability therein French 2.5.

4. My preference for next duty is—

(a) Sea CVL Fleet Pacific.

(b) Shore Floyd Bennett Field Location Long Island, New York.

Gerald Rudolph Ford, Jr.
(Signature)

Following to be made out by Reporting Officer:

5. Reporting Officer: Name L. T. HUNDT, Rank Captain, U. S. N.

6. Reporting officer's official status relative to officer reported on Commanding Officer.

7. Employment of ship during period of this report Shakedown and Task Forces, Pacific Ocean Area, including Gilberts, New Ireland, Marshalls, Truk, Tinian-Saipan, and Palau engagements.

8. Assign marks on scale of 0-4 in appropriate subdivisions given below, and any other qualification on which observation has been sufficient to justify marking.

(Staff officers to be marked with respect to required duties. Mark below 2.5 constitutes an unsatisfactory report)

Present assignment 3.9 Ability to command 3.8 As executive or division officer 3.7 As deck watch officer 3.7

In administration 3.6 Ship handling _____



9. Has the work of this officer been reported on either in a commendatory way or adversely during the period of this report? If so, state the subject, reference numbers, and substance of report. Clip copy to report. Comply with U. S. Navy Regulations, article 137 (11) with respect to commendatory reports. Any adverse comment constitutes an unsatisfactory report.

no

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10. Considering the possible requirements in war, indicate your attitude toward having this officer under your command. Would you—
(An affirmative entry in item (4) constitutes an unsatisfactory report)

(1) Particularly desire to have him? (2) Be pleased to have him? _____ (3) Be satisfied to have him? _____

(4) Prefer not to have him? _____

11. Has he any weaknesses—mental, moral, physical, etc.—which adversely affect his efficiency? (If "Yes," give details.)
(An implied or stated defect constitutes an unsatisfactory report)

none.

12. To what degree has he exhibited the following qualities? (See instructions in latest Bureau of Naval Personnel circular letter on the subject of fitness reports.)

Intelligence (With reference to the faculty of comprehension; mental alertness.)	Exceptionally quick-witted; keen in understanding.	Grasps essentials of a situation quickly.	Understands normal situations and conditions.	Slow of comprehension; unimaginative.
Judgment (With reference to a discriminating perception by which the values and relations of things are mentally ascertained.)	Unusually keen in estimating situations and reaching sound decisions.	Can generally be depended on to make proper decisions.	Fair judgment in normal and routine things.	Frequently draws wrong conclusions.
Initiative (With reference to constructive thinking and resourcefulness; ability and intelligence to act on own responsibility.)	Exceptional in ability to think, plan, and do things without waiting to be told and instructed.	Able to plan and execute missions on his own responsibility.	Capable of performing routine duties on own responsibility.	Requires constant guidance and supervision in his work, or evades responsibilities.
Force (With reference to moral power possessed and exerted in producing results.)	Strong, dynamic.	Strong.	Effectual under normal and routine circumstances.	Less than normal.
Leadership (With reference to the faculty of directing, controlling, and influencing others in definite lines of action.)	Inspires others to a high degree by precept and example.	A very good leader.	Leads fairly well.	A poor leader.
Moral Courage (With reference to that mental quality which impels one to carry out the dictates of his conscience and convictions fearlessly.)	Exceptionally courageous.	Courageous to a high degree.	Fairly courageous.	Timid.
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Perseverance (With reference to maintenance of purpose or undertaking in spite of obstacles or discouragement.)	Determined, resolute.	Constant in purpose.	Fairly steady.	Inclined to vacillate.
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Industry (With reference to performance of duties in an energetic manner.)	Extremely energetic and industrious.	Thorough and energetic.	Reasonably energetic and industrious.	Indolent; lazy.
Military bearing and neatness of person and dress (With reference to dignity of demeanor, correctness of uniform, and smartness of appearance.)	Exceptional.	Very good.	Fair.	Unmilitary and untidy.

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13. In comparison with other officers of his rank and approximate length of service, how would you designate this officer? Outstanding Above average _____ Average _____ Below average _____

Excellent _____

REMARKS

14. Is this officer professionally qualified to perform ALL the duties of his grade? Yes No _____ If deficient in any particular, comment is required. Give in this space a clear, concise estimate of this officer's personal and military character, his fitness for promotion, and duty performed worthy of special mention, and any information which might be of value to the Department in making assignments to duty. A check opposite "No," except for inexperienced Ensigns, or a statement that performance of duty is clearly unsatisfactory constitutes an unsatisfactory report. A statement of minor deficiencies either in character or performance of duties constitutes an unfavorable report. (THIS SPACE IS NOT TO BE LEFT BLANK.)

New York was commissioned as an athletic officer. He is a very leader in that specialty. In addition he has qualified and acts as watch officer, as sea underway information, as a division officer, and as a 4-man battery officer. He has a remarkable personality and an exceptional military character. Functional and healthy, recommended for promotion.

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15. An unsatisfactory report must have statement of officer reported on attached; an unfavorable report requires that officer reported on has been informed of his deficiencies either verbally or in writing. Has this been done? _____ What improvement, if any, has been noted? _____

(Signature)

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REPORT ON THE FITNESS OF OFFICERS

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(Before making out this report read latest Bureau of Naval Personnel circular letter on the subject of fitness reports)

The following four questions to be made out by the officer reported on:

File No. 141329

FORD, Gerald Rudolph, Jr., Rank Lieutenant (AD), U. S. N. R.

Ship or Station U.S.S. MONTEREY (CVL-26) Period from 4-10-44 to 12-24-44
(Ship aviation units enter ship to which attached)

1. Regular duties Assistant Navigator (9), Historical Officer (2)

Additional duties Athletic Officer (9)
(State watch duties, both deck and engineering. After each duty insert in parenthesis number of months this reporting period)

2. Present address of { wife (if married) _____
next of kin (if unmarried) 1011 Santa Cruz Drive, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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3. Proficiency in foreign languages, stating which ones, and ability therein French 2.5

4. My preference for next duty is—

(a) Sea CVL Fleet Pacific

(b) Shore Air Station Location East Coast or Florida

Gerald R. Ford Jr.
(Signature)



Following to be made out by Reporting Officer:

5. Reporting Officer: Name S. H. INGERSOLL, Rank Captain, U. S. N.

6. Reporting officer's official status relative to officer reported on Commanding Officer.

7. Employment of ship during period of this report Occupation of Hollandia, 2nd Raid on Truk, Occupation of Marianas, First Battle of Philippines Sea, 3rd Raid on Bonins, Raid on Wake, Raid on Okinawa Jima, Raid on Formosa, Occupation of Philippines, 2nd Battle of Phillipine Sea.

8. Assign marks on scale of 0-4 in appropriate subdivisions given below, and any other qualification on which observation has been sufficient to justify marking.

(Staff officers to be marked with respect to required duties. Mark below 2.5 constitutes an unsatisfactory report)

Present assignment 3.9 Ability to command 3.8 As executive or division officer 3.9 As deck watch officer 3.8

In administration 3.9 Ship handling 3.8

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No

10. Considering the possible requirements in war, indicate your attitude toward having this officer under your command. Would you—
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11. Has he any weaknesses—mental, moral, physical, etc.—which adversely affect his efficiency? (If "Yes," give details.)
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No

12. To what degree has he exhibited the following qualities? (See instructions in latest Bureau of Naval Personnel circular letter on the subject of fitness reports.)

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Military bearing and neatness of person and dress (With reference to dignity of demeanor, correctness of uniform, and smartness of appearance.)	Exceptional.	Very good.	Fair.	Unmilitary and untidy.

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13. In comparison with other officers of his rank and approximate length of service, how would you designate this officer? Outstanding Above average _____ Average _____ Below average _____

REMARKS

14. Is this officer professionally qualified to perform ALL the duties of his grade? Yes No _____ If deficient in any particular, comment is required. Give in this space a clear, concise estimate of this officer's personal and military character, his fitness for promotion, and duty performed worthy of special mention, and any information which might be of value to the Department in making assignments to duty. A check opposite "No," except for inexperienced Ensigns, or a statement that performance of duty is clearly unsatisfactory constitutes an unsatisfactory report. A statement of minor deficiencies either in character or performance of duties constitutes an unfavorable report. (THIS SPACE IS NOT TO BE LEFT BLANK.)

Lieutenant FORD is an outstanding officer in all respects. He reported to the ship as athletic and recreational officer and, though valuable in this assignment, his talents were such that he was most valuable to the ship as Assistant Navigator and Officer of the Deck. He has a thorough knowledge and ready grasp of seamanship and tactics. He is steady, reliable, and resourceful. His judgment and well considered recommendations are reliable. He is an excellent navigator and all around ship's officer. His unfailing good humor, pleasing personality and natural ability as a leader made him well liked and respected by the officers and men. He is an excellent organizer and can be relied upon for the successful conclusion of any operation which he may undertake. His moral and military character is outstanding. He is well fitted and strongly recommended for promotion when due.

15. An unsatisfactory report must have statement of officer reported on attached; an unfavorable report requires that officer reported on has been informed of his deficiencies either verbally or in writing. Has this been done? _____ What improvement, if any, has been noted? _____

[Signature]
(Signature)

MAR 23 1945

DATE 2-28-45

PLEASE TYPE THIS FORM

1. NAME (Last) (First) (Middle) RANK AND CLASSIFICATION TITLE NO. FORD, Jr. Gerald Rudolph Lieut. (AD) USNR 141239

SHIP OR STATION U.S. Navy Pre-Flight School, St. Mary's College, California. PERIOD OF REPORT DATE FROM 12-25-44 DATE TO 2-28-45

2. DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES SINCE LAST FITNESS REPORT (List most recent first and describe accurately) OCCASION FOR REPORT 29 Jan. 1945

3. IF COURSES OF INSTRUCTION WERE COMPLETED DURING PERIOD OF THIS REPORT, LIST TITLE OF COURSE, LOCATION OF SCHOOL, LENGTH OF COURSE AND DATE COMPLETED. none

4. IF AVIATOR, INDICATE NO. OF FLIGHT HOURS LAST TWO YEARS FOR EACH TYPE AIRCRAFT TYPE OF AIRCRAFT NO. OF HOURS

5. MY PREFERENCE FOR NEXT DUTY IS: SEA SHORE KIND OF DUTY CV, CVB, CVL LOCATION no preference

6. SECTIONS 6 THROUGH 12 TO BE FILLED IN BY REPORTING OFFICER NAME OF REPORTING OFFICER RANK OFFICIAL STATUS RELATIVE TO OFFICER REPORTED ON J. J. BLEWETT 133057 Lieut. Comdr. Director of Athletics

7. FOR EACH FACTOR OBSERVED CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX TO INDICATE HOW THE OFFICER COMPARES WITH ALL OTHERS OF THE SAME RANK WHOSE PROFESSIONAL ABILITIES ARE KNOWN TO YOU PERSONALLY.

8. INDICATE YOUR ATTITUDE TOWARD HAVING THIS OFFICER UNDER YOUR COMMAND, WOULD YOU: (Check one) DEFINITELY NOT WANT HIM? PREFER NOT TO HAVE HIM? BE SATISFIED TO HAVE HIM? BE PLEASED TO HAVE HIM? PARTICULARLY DESIRE HIM?

9. CONSIDERING ALL OFFICERS OF THE SAME RANK WHOSE PROFESSIONAL ABILITIES ARE KNOWN TO YOU PERSONALLY, WOULD YOU PROMOTE HIM: (Check one) UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES? IF 90% WERE TO BE PROMOTED? IF 70% WERE TO BE PROMOTED? IF 50% WERE TO BE PROMOTED? IF ONLY 10% WERE TO BE PROMOTED?

10. COMMENT IN SECTION 12 AND GIVE REFERENCE HERE TO ANY COMMENDABLE OR ADVERSE REPORTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE ON THE OFFICER DURING THIS PERIOD.

11. HAVE YOU ANY ADVERSE COMMENTS TO MAKE REGARDING THIS OFFICER'S QUALITIES OR PERFORMANCE? HAS HE ANY MENTAL OR MORAL WEAKNESS WHICH ADVERSELY AFFECTS HIS EFFICIENCY?

12. GIVE IN THIS SPACE A CLEAR, CONCISE APPRAISAL OF THE OFFICER REPORTED ON AND HIS PERFORMANCE OF DUTY, INCLUDING ANY WORTHY OF SPECIAL MENTION.

Check one of these boxes - I CONSIDER THIS REPORT TO BE SATISFACTORY UNSATISFACTORY

Table with 7 columns: Rating Factors, Not Observed, Within Bottom 10%, Within Next 20%, Within Middle 40%, Within Next Top 20%, Within Top 10%. Rows include Sea or Advance Base Duty, Initiative and Responsibility, Understanding and Skill, Leadership, Conduct and Work Habits.

11. HAVE YOU ANY ADVERSE COMMENTS TO MAKE REGARDING THIS OFFICER'S QUALITIES OR PERFORMANCE? HAS HE ANY MENTAL OR MORAL WEAKNESS WHICH ADVERSELY AFFECTS HIS EFFICIENCY?

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12. GIVE IN THIS SPACE A CLEAR, CONCISE APPRAISAL OF THE OFFICER REPORTED ON AND HIS PERFORMANCE OF DUTY, INCLUDING ANY WORTHY OF SPECIAL MENTION.

Check one of these boxes - I CONSIDER THIS REPORT TO BE SATISFACTORY UNSATISFACTORY

OFFICER'S FITNESS REPORT

NAVY FORM 105A (REV. 3-44)

PLEASE TYPE THIS FORM

IT IS IMPORTANT TO COMPLETE THIS REPORT ON THE DATE AND IN THE MANNER SPECIFIED

Date 11 September 1945

NAME: FORD, Gerald R. RADM, USNR
 RANK AND GRADE: Lt. JG USNR
 NUMBER: 141329

SHIP OR STATION: Staff, NASPC, NAS Glenview, Illinois
 PERIOD OF REPORT: 1 May 1945 to 11 Sept 1945

DATE OF ASSIGNMENT TO OCCASION FOR REPORT: 1 May 1945
 DEPARTMENT OF OFFICER REPORTED ON: [] DEPARTMENT OF REPORTING OFFICER [] REGULAR [] QUARTERLY [] SPECIAL

DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES SINCE LAST FITNESS REPORT: Assistant Staff Physical & Military Training Officer
 FROM: May TO: Sep

IF COURSES OF INSTRUCTION WERE COMPLETED DURING PERIOD OF THIS REPORT, LIST TITLE OF COURSE, LOCATION OF SCHOOL, LENGTH OF COURSE AND DATE COMPLETED. None

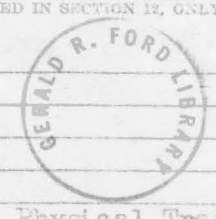
IF AVIATOR, INDICATE NO. OF FLIGHT HOURS LAST TWO YEARS FOR EACH TYPE AIRCRAFT. TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: None

BY PREFERENCE FOR NEXT DUTY: SEA: No preference, SHORE: No preference, KIND OF DUTY: Cvl, Cv, CVB, LOCATION: Pacific

SECTIONS 6 THROUGH 12 TO BE FILLED IN BY REPORTING OFFICER: NAME OF REPORTING OFFICER: O. B. HARDISON, RADM USN, OFFICIAL STATUS: CNAPrimTra

IS THIS OFFICER QUALIFIED TO PERFORM ALL HIS PRESENT DUTIES? YES [] NO []
 INDICATE MORE RESPONSIBLE DUTIES FOR WHICH HE IS IN TRAINING: Staff Physical & Military Training Officer, DATE OF EXPECTED QUALIFICATION: present

Comment on special or outstanding qualifications as well as any physical defects, which should be considered in determining the kinds of duty to which he should be detailed. Only comments of qualifications significant in detailing should be entered here. ANY COMMENTS REGARDING FITNESS FOR PROMOTION SHOULD BE ENTERED IN SECTION 12, ONLY.



FOR WHAT DUTIES IS HE RECOMMENDED? ASHORE: Staff Physical & Military Training Officer, OFFICER, OFFICER IN CHARGE OF GUNNERY DIVN

FOR EACH FACTOR OBSERVED CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX TO INDICATE HOW THE OFFICER COMPARES WITH ALL OTHERS OF THE SAME RANK WHOSE PROFESSIONAL ABILITIES ARE KNOWN TO YOU PERSONALLY. DO NOT LIMIT THIS COMPARISON ONLY TO THE OTHERS NOW UNDER YOUR COMMAND. DO NOT HESITATE TO MARK "NOT OBSERVED" ON ANY QUALITY WHEN APPROPRIATE. THIS ENTRY WILL BE CONSIDERED AN UNSATISFACTORY REPORT WHICH MUST BE REFERRED TO THE OFFICER FOR STATEMENT. ONLY ENTRIES DESIGNATED IN SECTIONS 8, 9, 11 AND 12 WILL BE SO CONSIDERED.

RATING FACTORS		Not Observed	Within Bottom 10%	Within Next 20%	Within Middle 40%	Within Next Top 20%	Within Top 10%
A. SEA OR ADVANCE BASE DUTY How does this officer compare in: NOTE: ITEM (A) TO BE CHECKED ONLY FOR OFFICERS ON SEA OR ADVANCE BASE DUTY DURING THE PERIOD OF THIS REPORT	1. STANDING DECK WATCHES UNDERWAY?						
	2. ABILITY TO COMMAND?						
	3. PERFORMANCE IN PRESENT DUTIES AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 2, ABOVE?						
	4. REACTIONS DURING EMERGENCIES?						
	5. PERFORMANCE AT BATTLE STATION OR IN BATTLE DUTIES?						
B. INITIATIVE AND RESPONSIBILITY How well does this officer:	1. ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY WHEN SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS ARE LACKING?					X	
	2. GIVE FRANK OPINIONS WHEN ASKED OR VOLUNTEER THEM WHEN NECESSARY TO AVOID MISTAKES?						X
	3. FOLLOW THROUGH DESPITE OBSTACLES IN CARRYING OUT RESPONSIBILITIES ASSIGNED OR ASSUMED?					X	
C. UNDERSTANDING AND SKILL How well does this officer:	1. GRASP INSTRUCTIONS AND PLANS GIVEN TO HIM?						X
	2. USE IDEAS AND SUGGESTIONS OF OTHERS?						X
	3. RATE IN TECHNICAL COMPETENCE IN HIS SPECIALTY, IF ANY? (Name Specialty: Physical & Military Trng)						X
D. LEADERSHIP How well does this officer:	1. INSPIRE SUBORDINATES TO WORK TO THE MAXIMUM OF THEIR CAPACITY?						X
	2. EFFECTIVELY DELEGATE RESPONSIBILITY?					X	
	3. TRANSMIT ORDERS, INSTRUCTIONS, AND PLANS?						X
	4. ORGANIZE HIS WORK AND THAT OF THOSE UNDER HIS COMMAND OR SUPERVISION?						X
	5. MAINTAIN DISCIPLINE AMONG THOSE UNDER HIS COMMAND OR DIRECTION?					X	
E. CONDUCT AND WORK HABITS How does this officer compare in:	1. ABILITY TO WORK WITH OTHERS?						X
	2. ABILITY TO ADAPT TO CHANGING NEEDS AND CONDITIONS?					X	
	3. MILITARY CONDUCT—BEARING, DRESS, COURTESY, ETC.?						X

8. INDICATE YOUR ATTITUDE TOWARD HAVING THIS OFFICER UNDER YOUR COMMAND. WOULD YOU: (Check one) DEFINITELY NOT WANT HIM? (UNSATISFACTORY) [] PREFER NOT TO HAVE HIM? (UNSATISFACTORY) [] BE SATISFIED TO HAVE HIM? [] BE PLEASED TO HAVE HIM? [] PARTICULARLY DESIRE HIM? [X]

9a. CONSIDERING ALL OFFICERS OF THE SAME RANK WHOSE PROFESSIONAL ABILITIES ARE KNOWN TO YOU PERSONALLY, WOULD YOU PROMOTE HIM? (Check one) UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES? (Unsatisfactory) [] IF 20% WERE TO BE PROMOTED? [] IF 70% WERE TO BE PROMOTED? [] IF 30% WERE TO BE PROMOTED? [] IF ONLY 10% WERE TO BE PROMOTED? [X]

9b. How many Officers are included in the group used for the comparison in 9a? 10 OR LESS [] 10 TO 50 [X] OVER 50 []

10. COMMENT IN SECTION 12 AND GIVE REFERENCE HERE TO ANY COMMENDABLE OR ADVERSE REPORTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE ON THE OFFICER DURING THIS PERIOD.

11. HAVE YOU ANY ADVERSE COMMENTS TO MAKE REGARDING THIS OFFICER'S QUALITIES OR PERFORMANCE? NO [X] YES []
 HAD HE ANY MENTAL OR MORAL WEAKNESS WHICH ADVERSELY AFFECTS HIS EFFICIENCY? NO [X] YES []

12. Give in this space a clear, concise appraisal of the officer reported on and his performance of duty, including any worthy of special mention. Include recommendations as to promotion. Any statement of unsatisfactory performance, quality, character, or conduct must be referred to the officer for statement. Statements of a constructive nature which refer to minor imperfections or lack of qualifications do not constitute an unsatisfactory report. For example: "This officer was a little slow in getting started but is now making good progress" or "This officer is well qualified in his present duties but has had no experience at sea" would not be unsatisfactory in nature.

Check one of these boxes — I CONSIDER THIS REPORT TO BE [X] SATISFACTORY [] UNSATISFACTORY

Lt. Ford is an industrious and extremely capable officer. He is tactful, loyal, and cooperative. This officer not only handles his routine duties in a very satisfactory manner, but seeks additional responsibilities. Since he has a legal as well as an athletic background he is particularly well suited for his present Staff assignment. In appearance, bearing, and courtesy he is well above average. He has the confidence and respect of all that know him. Recommended for promotion. He has seen this report.

SIGNATURE OF OFFICER REPORTED ON (Applies only to Sections 1 through 5): Gerald R. Ford, Jr.
 SIGNATURE OF REPORTING OFFICER: O. B. Hardison

HAVE YOU READ THE ATTACHED INSTRUCTION SHEET? [X]

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OFFICER'S FITNESS REPORT

NAVPERS-310A (REV. 2-44)

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If no additional information is available, the rank and class of the officer reported on should be typed in this space.

DATE 12 Jan 46

1. NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) RANK AND CLASSIFICATION FILE NO.
FORD, Gerald Rudolph Jr. Lt. Comdr., (AD), USNR 141329

SHIP OR STATION: Staff, NAResTraCon, NAS Glenview, Illinois
DATE FROM: 15 Dec. 45 DATE TO: 12 Jan 46

DATE OF ASSIGNMENT TO PRESENT DUTY: 20 Nov 45
OCCASION FOR REPORT: [X] DETACHMENT OF OFFICER REPORTED ON [] DETACHMENT OF REPORTING SENIOR [] REGULAR SEMI-ANNUAL [] QUARTERLY [] SPECIAL

2. DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES SINCE LAST FITNESS REPORT (List most recent first and describe as exactly)
Staff Physical and Military Training Officer
MO: 12, Y1: 45, MO: 1, Y2: 46

3. IF COURSES OF INSTRUCTION WERE COMPLETED DURING PERIOD OF THIS REPORT, LIST TITLE OF COURSE, LOCATION OF SCHOOL, LENGTH OF COURSE AND DATE COMPLETED.
None
Are you physically qualified for Sea Duty? [X] Yes [] No [] Don't Know

4. IF AVIATOR, INDICATE NO. OF FLIGHT HOURS LAST TWO YEARS FOR EACH TYPE AIRCRAFT
TYPE OF AIRCRAFT: [] NO. OF HOURS: [] TOTAL: []

5. MY PREFERENCE FOR NEXT DUTY IS: SEA: [] SHORE: [] KIND OF DUTY: CIVL, NAS LOCATION: No Preference

6. SECTIONS 6 THROUGH 12 TO BE FILLED IN BY REPORTING OFFICER
NAME OF REPORTING OFFICER: H. E. SEARS RANK: Captain, USN OFFICIAL STATUS: Deputy CNAResTra

IS THIS OFFICER QUALIFIED TO PERFORM ALL HIS PRESENT DUTIES? [] YES [] NO
INDICATE MORE RESPONSIBLE DUTIES FOR WHICH HE IS IN TRAINING. (If none, so state)
DATE OF EXPECTED QUALIFICATION

Comment on special or outstanding qualifications as well as any physical defects, which should be considered in determining the kinds of duty to which he should be detailed. Only comments on qualifications significant in detailing should be entered here. ANY COMMENTS REGARDING FITNESS FOR PROMOTION SHOULD BE ENTERED IN SECTION 12, ONLY.

FOR WHAT DUTIES IS HE RECOMMENDED?
ASHORE AFLOAT

7. FOR EACH FACTOR OBSERVED CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX TO INDICATE HOW THE OFFICER COMPARES WITH ALL OTHERS OF THE SAME RANK WHOSE PROFESSIONAL ABILITIES ARE KNOWN TO YOU PERSONALLY. DO NOT LIMIT THIS COMPARISON ONLY TO THE OTHERS NOW UNDER YOUR COMMAND. DO NOT HESITATE TO MARK "NOT OBSERVED" ON ANY QUALITY WHEN APPROPRIATE. NO ENTRY WHICH IS MADE IN THIS SECTION WILL BE CONSIDERED AN UNSATISFACTORY REPORT WHICH MUST BE REFERRED TO THE OFFICER FOR STATEMENT. ONLY ENTRIES DESIGNATED IN SECTIONS 8, 9, 11 AND 12 WILL BE SO CONSIDERED.

RATING FACTORS
Not Observed, Within Bottom 10%, Within Next 20%, Within Middle 40%, Within Next Top 20%, Within Top 10%

Table with 6 columns for rating factors and 5 rows of categories: A. SEA OR ADVANCE BASE DUTY, B. INITIATIVE AND RESPONSIBILITY, C. UNDERSTANDING AND SKILL, D. LEADERSHIP, E. CONDUCT AND WORK HABITS.

8. INDICATE YOUR ATTITUDE TOWARD HAVING THIS OFFICER UNDER YOUR COMMAND, WOULD YOU?
(Check one) DEFINITELY NOT WANT HIM? (UNSATISFACTORY) PREFER NOT TO HAVE HIM? (UNSATISFACTORY) BE SATISFIED TO HAVE HIM? BE PLEASED TO HAVE HIM? PARTICULARLY DESIRE HIM?

9a. CONSIDERING ALL OFFICERS OF THE SAME RANK WHOSE PROFESSIONAL ABILITIES ARE KNOWN TO YOU PERSONALLY, WOULD YOU PROMOTE HIM?
(Check one) UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES? IF 90% WERE TO BE PROMOTED? IF 70% WERE TO BE PROMOTED? IF 50% WERE TO BE PROMOTED? IF ONLY 10% WERE TO BE PROMOTED?
9b. How many Officers are included in the group used for the comparison in 9a? 10 OR LESS, 10 TO 50, OVER 50

10. COMMENT IN SECTION 12 AND GIVE REFERENCE HERE TO ANY COMMENDABLE OR ADVERSE REPORTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE ON THE OFFICER DURING THIS PERIOD.

11. HAVE YOU ANY ADVERSE COMMENTS TO MAKE REGARDING THIS OFFICER'S QUALITY OR PERFORMANCE?
HAS HE ANY MENTAL OR MORAL WEAKNESS WHICH ADVERSELY AFFECTS HIS EFFICIENCY?
[] YES [] NO If yes, explain in Section 12. UNSATISFACTORY. Yes in either item of Section 11 constitutes an unsatisfactory report and must be referred to the officer for statement.

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Check one of these boxes - I CONSIDER THIS REPORT TO BE [] SATISFACTORY [] UNSATISFACTORY

Due to the short period of time covered by this report no marks are being assigned. This report is submitted for continuity of record purposes only. He has not seen this report. Lt. Comdr. Ford has been detached for release to inactive duty.

DO NOT LEAVE BLANK
SIGNATURE OF OFFICER REPORTED ON: Gerald R. Ford Jr. SIGNATURE OF REPORTING OFFICER: H.E. Sears
HAVE YOU READ THE ATTACHED INSTRUCTION SHEET? []

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ANNEX A, QUALIFICATIONS QUESTIONNAIRE
 PREPARED FOR INACTIVE DUTY

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) **Ford, Gerald Rudolph, Jr.** RANK AND CLASSIFICATION **Lt. Cmdr (AU)** FILE NO. **101327** SEX **male**

HOME ADDRESS (Street and No.) (City) (State) **303 Washington St., S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan** Was address on this communication correct? YES NO NAVAL DISTRICT **9th** (Check one) SINGLE MARRIED NO. OF DEPENDENTS **0**

ORGANIZED USNR VOLUNTEER USNR USNR (Elect Reserve) USNR (Merchant Marine) RETIRED USNR DATE OF LAST PHYSICAL EXAMINATION (Civilian) **December, 1949**

LIST ONLY CHANGES SINCE LAST REPORT FOR FOLLOWING ITEMS

PERIOD	TYPE OF AIRCRAFT	FIRST SIX MONTHS		SECOND SIX MONTHS		TOTAL HRS.
		NO. OF HOURS	SERVICE GROUP	NO. OF HOURS	SERVICE GROUP	

FOREIGN LANGUAGE ABILITY	TRANSLATE			INTERPRET			FOREIGN RESIDENCE AND TRAVEL	WEEKS
	GOOD	FAIR	POOR	GOOD	FAIR	POOR		
French			X			X		

HOW WAS LANGUAGE ABILITY ACQUIRED? **University of Michigan**

CIVILIAN EDUCATION (College or University)	FROM	TO	DEGREE	DATE	MAJOR SUBJECT
University of Michigan	1931	1935	B.A.		Economics

TRADE OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL ATTENDED	COURSE	HOURS OF INSTRUCTION
Yale University Law School	Law	

7. NAVAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES (Title)	COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS

8. LIST LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND BOARD CERTIFICATIONS NOW IN EFFECT	DATE OF FIRST LICENSE OR REGISTRATION	DATE OF MOST RECENT LICENSE OR REGISTRATION
Michigan Bar	June, 1941	

9. CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT

PLACE (City) (State) **Washington, D.C.**

FROM: **Jan. 3, 1949** TO:

NAME OF EMPLOYER **U. S. Government**

KIND OF BUSINESS **U. S. Representative**

NO. AND CLASS OF EMPLOYEES YOU SUPERVISE

EXACT TITLE OF YOUR POSITION **U. S. Representative, 5th Dist., Mich.**

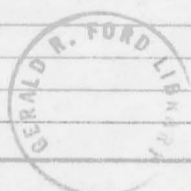
ANNUAL SALARY (Optional)

BELOW \$2000 \$2000 TO \$3000 \$3000 TO \$5000 ABOVE \$5000

MEDICAL, DENTAL OR LEGAL OFFICERS: CURRENT SPECIALTY PRACTISED **Corporation & estate work as lawyer.**

YEARS THIS SPECIALTY PRACTISED **four years** PERCENT OF SPECIALTY PRACTISED **80%**

10. If member of an Organization of the Naval Reserve, GIVE TITLE OF THE ORGANIZATION AND DUTIES THEREIN



11. IN VIEW OF YOUR TOTAL NAVAL AND CIVILIAN EXPERIENCE, FOR WHAT ASSIGNMENT DO YOU CONSIDER YOU ARE BEST SUITED IN THE EVENT OF A NATIONAL MOBILIZATION?

AFLOAT: **Deck duties aboard a combat aircraft carrier.**

ASHORE: **General administrative duties**

12. LIST ANY PHYSICAL DISQUALIFICATION OR LIMITATIONS WHICH YOU KNOW YOU HAVE

ARE YOU PHYSICALLY QUALIFIED FOR SEA DUTY?

YES NO DON'T KNOW

13. GENERAL REMARKS: (List Residences, Hospital and Teaching appointments, membership in professional and scientific societies, lecturing, publications, papers, inventions, special skills and hobbies, business and professional activities, and other information which might aid in evaluating your qualifications.)

While Congress is in session I reside at 2500 Que Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

DATE OF LAST REPORT **December, 1948**

DATE OF THIS REPORT **December, 1949**

SIGNATURE *Gerald R. Ford*

ANNUAL QUALIFICATIONS QUESTIONNAIRE
 OFFICERS ON ACTIVE DUTY

NAME (Last) **FORD** (First) **STANLEY** (Middle) **R. JR.** GRADE AND ASSIGNMENT **Lt. Comdr.** FILE NO. **14173** SER. **11**

PRESENT ADDRESS (Street and No.) (City) (State) **1624 Sherman, S.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan** Was address on this Communication Correct? YES NO NAVAL DISTRICT (Check one) SINGLE MARRIED (No. of Dependents) **2**

BRANCH (Check one) COAST GUARD VOLUNTEER USNR USNR (Fleet Reserve) USNR (Merchant Marine) RESERVE USNR DATE OF LAST PHYSICAL EXAMINATION (No. of Civilian) **1950**

LIST ONLY CHANGES SINCE LAST REPORT FOR FOLLOWING ITEMS

3. PILOT, indicate number of flight hours per year for each type aircraft. (P-51, TBM, P-47, etc.) <i>List first in last type first.</i>	PERIOD	FIRST SIX MONTHS		SECOND SIX MONTHS		TOTAL HRS.
		TYPE OF AIRCRAFT				

4. FOREIGN LANGUAGE ABILITY	TRANSLATE			INTERPRET			5. FOREIGN RESIDENCE AND TRAVEL	WEEKS
	GOOD	FAIR	POOR	GOOD	FAIR	POOR		
French			X			X		

HOW WAS LANGUAGE ABILITY ACQUIRED? **University of Michigan**

6. CIVILIAN EDUCATION (College or University)	FROM	TO	DEGREE	DATE	MAJOR SUBJECT
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7. TRADE OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL ATTENDED	COURSE	HOURS OF INSTRUCTION
Yale University Law School	Law	

7. NAVAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES (Title)	COMPLETED	IN PROGRESS

8. LIST LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND BOARD CERTIFICATIONS NOW IN EFFECT	DATE OF FIRST LICENSE OR REGISTRATION	DATE OF MOST RECENT LICENSE OR REGISTRATION
Michigan Bar		June 1941

9. CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT	DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES (Attach additional page if required)
PLACE (City) (State) Washington D.C.	
FROM: 1/1/49 TO:	
NAME OF EMPLOYER U. S. Government	
KIND OF BUSINESS U. S. Representative	
NO. AND CLASS OF EMPLOYEES YOU SUPERVISE	
EXACT TITLE OF YOUR POSITION U. S. Representative 5th District Michigan	
ANNUAL SALARY (Optional) <input type="checkbox"/> BELOW \$3000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$3000 TO \$5000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$5000 TO \$8000 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ABOVE \$8000	
MEDICAL, DENTAL OR LEGAL OFFICERS: CURRENT SPECIALTY PRACTISED Corporation and Estate Work as Lawyer	
YEARS THIS SPECIALTY PRACTISED 4 PERCENT OF SPECIALTY PRACTISED 100%	

10. If member of an Organization of the Naval Reserve, GIVE TITLE OF THE ORGANIZATION AND DUTIES THEREIN

11. IN VIEW OF YOUR TOTAL NAVAL AND CIVILIAN EXPERIENCE, FOR WHAT ASSIGNMENT DO YOU CONSIDER YOU ARE BEST SUITED IN THE EVENT OF A NATIONAL MOBILIZATION?

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DATE OF LAST REPORT **Dec. 1949**

DATE OF THIS REPORT **Mar. 1951**

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