

**INFORMATION RELEASABLE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT****Name**

Jerome Jay Ersland

**Branch of Service and Serial/Service Number(s)**

United States Army &amp; United States Air Force (No Service Number)

**Dates of Service**

U.S. Army: September 7, 1985 - February 8, 1989

(Active Duty: February 9, 1986 - February 8, 1989)

U.S. Air Force: March 24, 1989 - July 11, 2000

(Active Duty: April 19, 1989 - July 11, 2000)

**Duty Status**

Discharged (Army) / Retired (Air Force)

**Rank/Grade**

Captain (Army) / Lieutenant Colonel (Air Force)

**Salary**

N/A

**Source of Commission**

Medical Corps Reserve Officer Appointment

**Promotion Sequence Number**

N/A

**Assignments and Geographical Locations**

See Attached

**Military Education**

See Attached

**Decorations and Awards**

See Attached

**Transcript of Court-Martial Trial**

Not in File

**Photograph**

Not in File

**Place of Entry**

Ft. Sam Houston, Texas (Army) / Oklahoma City, Oklahoma (Air Force)

**Place of Separation**

Ft. Bragg, North Carolina (Army) / Langley AFB, Virginia (Air Force)

**FOR DECEASED VETERAN ONLY****Place of Birth****Date of Death****Location of Death****Place of Burial****NOTE:** N/A denotes information is not available in the veteran's records

## AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal (w/2 bronze oak leaf clusters)  
Air Force Commendation Medal  
Army Commendation Medal  
Army Achievement Medal  
Army Good Conduct Medal  
National Defense Service Medal  
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (w/4 bronze oak leaf clusters)  
Air Force Longevity Service Ribbon (w/2 bronze oak leaf clusters)  
Air Force Overseas Long Tour Ribbon  
Army Service Ribbon  
Air Force Training Ribbon  
Air Force Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon (Pistol)

## ASSIGNMENT HISTORY

Sep 1985: Inactive U.S. Army Reserve (St. Louis, MO)  
Feb 1986: Ft. Sam Houston, Texas  
Jun 1986: CO A, 1<sup>st</sup> BN, ACAD BDE, Academy of Health Service (Ft. Sam Houston)  
Oct 1986: USA MEDDAC; Ft. Bragg, North Carolina  
Jan 1989: Inactive Duty, U.S. Army Reserve Personnel Command (St. Louis, MO)  
Mar 1989: Inactive Duty, U.S. Air Force (Pending Active Duty Appointment)  
May 1989: USAF Hospital Altus (MAC); Altus AFB, Oklahoma  
Oct 1991: 443d Medical Group (AMC); Altus AFB, Oklahoma  
Jun 1992: 97<sup>th</sup> Medical Group (AMC); Altus AFB, Oklahoma  
May 1993: 341 Recruiting Squadron, OL X041 (AETC); San Antonio, Texas  
Dec 1995: 48<sup>th</sup> Medical Support Squadron (USAFE), RAF Lakenheath, England  
Sep 1998: 1<sup>st</sup> Medical Support Squadron (ACC), Langley AFB, Virginia  
Jul 2000: Retirement from U.S. Air Force with rank of Lieutenant Colonel

**MILITARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

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|---------------------------------|----------|
| AMEDD Officer Basic Course (MS) | May 1986 |
| Mimso Military Indoctrination   | May 1989 |
| Biomedical Officer Management   | Nov 1991 |
| Squadron Officer School         | Aug 1990 |
| Pharmacy Seminar                | Aug 1992 |
| SWK Course                      | Jul 1993 |
| Pharmacy Seminar                | Mar 1998 |
| All Services Pharmacy Seminar   | Apr 1999 |
| Air War College                 | May 1999 |



# DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY HAS AWARDED

## THE ARMY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL

TO

CAPTAIN JEROME J. ERLAND, MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS

FOR MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT WHILE ASSIGNED TO PHARMACY SERVICE, WOMACK ARMY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, FORT BRAGG, NORTH CAROLINA DURING THE PERIOD 25 JANUARY 1988 TO 29 JANUARY 1988. CAPTAIN ERLAND DISPLAYED INITIATIVE AND RESOURCEFULNESS IN PREPARATION FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL INSPECTION CONDUCTED BY HEALTH SERVICES COMMAND. THE TIME AND EFFORT SPENT IN PREPARATION FOR, AND DURING THE INSPECTION WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN MAINTAINING TROOP MEDICAL CLINIC OPERATIONS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AND HAVE NOT GONE UNNOTICED. HIS CONTINUED EFFORTS HAVE CONTRIBUTED GREATLY TO THE OVERALL RATING OF "NOTEWORTHY" RECEIVED BY THE PHARMACY. HIS PROFESSIONAL AND DEDICATED EFFORTS REFLECT GREAT CREDIT UPON HIMSELF, THE ARMY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY AND THE UNITED STATES ARMY.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON  
THIS 14TH DAY OF MARCH 1988

*Livio F. Pardi*

LIVIO F. PARDI, Colonel  
Medical Corps, Commanding



*John D. Marsh, Jr.*  
SECRETARY OF THE ARMY



# DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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## THE ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

CAPTAIN JEROME ERSLAND, MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS

FOR OUTSTANDING MERITORIOUS SERVICE AS STAFF PHARMACY OFFICER, WOMACK ARMY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, FORT BRAGG, NORTH CAROLINA FROM 16 JUNE 1986 TO 7 FEBRUARY 1989. CAPTAIN ERSLAND DEMONSTRATED EXCEPTIONAL PROFESSIONALISM, INITIATIVE AND DEVOTION TO DUTY. HIS MANY ACHIEVEMENTS AS OFFICER IN CHARGE OF TROOP MEDICAL CLINICAL PHARMACY, OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE KNOWLEDGE OF INPATIENT AND OUTPATIENT PATIENT CARE AND PROCEDURES WERE INSTRUMENTAL TO OVERALL OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY. HIS EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE REFLECTS GREAT CREDIT UPON HIMSELF, THE ARMY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY AND THE UNITED STATES ARMY.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON  
THIS 30TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1988

R. OGDEN DEWITT  
Colonel, Medical Corps  
Commanding



JOHN H. MARSH, JR.  
SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE AIR FORCE COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

JEROME J. ERSLAND [REDACTED]

Captain Jerome J. Ersland distinguished himself by meritorious service as Chief, Pharmacy Services, 443d Medical Group, 443d Airlift Wing, Altus Air Force Base, Oklahoma, from 10 May 1989 to 15 May 1992. He was a cost-conscious supervisor who authored a drug cost comparison booklet to help physicians utilize the most cost-efficient drugs. He also used the excess materiel distribution system offered by the Air Force Medical Logistics Office, saving 139,300 dollars during the last three years. Captain Ersland received a suggestion award (honorary) in 1990 for providing the Air Force 62,787 dollars in tangible savings, and the plan was adopted by two other bases. Not only a superb manager, he was also an outstanding officer, receiving Company Grade Officer of the Quarter for the 443d Medical Group in January 1992. During Operations DESERT SHIELD/STORM, he worked many nights and weekends coordinating the uninterrupted flow of medical supplies, nerve agent antidotes, and immunizations. Under strenuous working conditions, with low manning and high demand, his leadership enabled the pharmacy to keep their error rate at an all-time low of one error per 16,500 prescriptions, resulting in unequaled satisfaction. Although his section earns two pharmacists, he performed pharmacist duties by himself as well as serving as a wing total quality management facilitator. He taught total quality awareness for one year at the base level and has facilitated six process improvement efforts, each of which resulted in service improvements to customers. The distinctive accomplishments of Captain Ersland reflect credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF  
THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

TO

JEROME J. ERSLAND [REDACTED]

Major Jerome J. Ersland distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service to the United States as Chief, Pharmacy Services, 97th Medical Group, Altus Air Force Base, Oklahoma, from 16 May 1992 to 15 June 1993. During this period, Major Ersland proved to be a very cost-conscious, resourceful leader who was responsible for obtaining some \$291,630 in free pharmaceuticals through the Department of Defense Excess Materials Program and when budget cuts became necessary, he engineered the deletion of 93 drugs and provided lower-priced alternatives. Through these budget-trimming initiatives, the quality of service never suffered as his leadership propelled the pharmacy's quality assurance rating from "Marginal" to "Excellent." He kept the pharmacy's error rate at one error per 16,500 prescriptions, which is less than one third the Air Force standard. The singularly distinctive accomplishments of Major Ersland reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

**CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF**

**THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL  
(FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER)**

**TO**

**JEROME J. ERSLAND** 

Major Jerome J. Ersland distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service to the United States while assigned to the 341st Recruiting Squadron, San Antonio, Texas, from 24 June 1993 to 15 December 1995. During this period, Major Ersland exhibited outstanding leadership and management skills by molding an average performing medical recruiting flight into a high performance medical recruiting team. As Flight Commander, his extensive medical experience and knowledge of Air Force health care facilities, combined with his personal contact of over 2,000 potential applicants, were the catalysts which propelled the medical flight from 29th in Fiscal Year 1993 to first in Fiscal Year 1994. His continued team-building and perseverance maintained the flight's prominent standing with a repeat number one ranking in Fiscal Year 1995. These superior accomplishments in health professions recruiting elevated the squadron from 17th place nationwide to first in Fiscal Year 1994 and led to a repeat number one standing in Fiscal Year 1995. The singularly distinctive accomplishments of Major Ersland reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.