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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

[Docket ID: USA-2009-0022]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army, (OAA-RPA), DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of the Army announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by [INSERT 40-DAYS FROM DATE OF PUBLICATIO OF THIS NOTICE IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Mail: Federal Docket Management System Office, 4800 Mark Center Drive, 2nd Floor, East Tower, Suite 02G09, Alexandria, VA 22350-3100.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Director of Admissions, U.S. Military Academy, Official Mail & Distribution Center, ATTN: (Sue Hennen), 646 Swift Road, West Point, NY 10996-1905, or call Department of the Army Reports clearance officer at (703) 428-6440.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Candidate Procedures, USMA Forms 21-16, 21-23, 21-25, 21-26, 5-520, 5-518, 5-497, 481, 546, 5-2, 5-26, 5-515, 480-1, 520, 261, 21-14, 21-8; OMB Control Number 0702-0061.

Needs and Uses: West Point candidates provide personal background information that allows the West Point Admissions Committee to make subjective judgments on non-academic experiences. Data are also used by West Point's Office of Institutional Research for correlation with success in graduation and military careers.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Annual Burden Hours: 11,720.

Number of Respondents: 46,880.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 15 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

Title 10, U.S.C. 4346 provides requirements for admission of candidates to the U.S. Military Academy. The U.S. Military Academy (USMA) strives to motivate outstanding potential candidates to apply for admission to USMA. Once candidates are found, USMA collects information necessary to nurture them through successful completion of the application process.

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