



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF
THE AIR MEDAL
TO
TECHNICAL SERGEANT ROBERT L. LAPOINTE

Technical Sergeant Robert L. LaPointe distinguished himself by meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight as the rescue helicopter Pararescue Specialist in the Alaskan Mountain Range, Alaska, on 12 August 1979. On that date, Sergeant LaPointe was lowered via hoist from 90 feet into tall trees to reach, diagnose, treat, transport, and save the life of a young woman who had broken her back in the wilderness area of the Alaskan interior. The professional skill and airmanship displayed by Sergeant LaPointe reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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