



## CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF

## THE AIR FORCE COMMENDATION MEDAL (FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER)

TO

## STAFF SERGEANT JOHN T. RICHARDSON

Staff Sergeant John T. Richardson distinguished himself by outstanding achievement as a Pararescueman near the Republic of the Philippines on 24 October 1978. On that date, Sergeant Richardson made a parachute deployment in extremely hazardous conditions in order to render medical aid to the survivors of the sunken lumber ship, Apollo I. The outstanding ability displayed by Sergeant Richardson resulted in two lives being saved. The distinctive accomplishments of Sergeant Richardson reflect credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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