



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
AIR EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMAND



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MEMORANDUM FOR 81 FSS/FSMC

FROM: 81 MDG/SGP

SUBJECT: Medical Opinion – Larry K. McDonald

1. This memo is being furnished in response to the request from Aundra L. Moore, Human Resources Officer, for evaluation of ability of Mr Larry K. McDonald to perform duties as Sheet Metal Mechanic (Aircraft/Painter) at 403 MXS/MXMFS.

2. Documents provided by Human Resources were reviewed, as were medical records provided by Mr McDonald from his civilian medical providers dated September 2014 through May 2017, and shop survey information from Bioenvironmental Engineering. Additionally, expert consultation was obtained from the Air Force Environment, Safety, and Occupational Health (ESOH) Service Center. Finally, a medical interview and examination were conducted with Mr McDonald.

3. Mr McDonald does not appear to have any absolute medical contraindications to performing the duties required by his position or his workplace. He does report a number of chronic or recurring medical issues that may have been triggered and may also be exacerbated by exposures within the Structural Maintenance work center, although this is not definitively a causal relationship. However, it does appear that his symptoms are strongly associated with his physical presence in the Structural Maintenance work area. Additionally, his civilian providers have more than once recommended avoidance of industrial work areas, and I concur with these recommendations.

4. It is therefore my recommendation that Mr McDonald is medically unable to perform the following core duties:

- a. Duty 2: Develops patterns, cuts, forms, joins, assembles, and installs items and systems which have combined straight and curved edges or irregular curves, angles, and planes.
- b. Duty 3: Operates and maintains complex hand and power tools and equipment
- c. Duty 4: Prepares surfaces and applies protective coatings to a variety of materials

There is no medical restriction from performing the remainder of his duties so long as they occur in an office environment physically separate from the industrial work area.

5. In accordance with the Core Personnel Document statement that his position is an Air Reserve Technician position, any Medical Evaluation Board determination that imposes more restrictive requirements will supersede these recommendations.

6. I can be reached for questions at (228) 376-5348 or at [brett.nishikawa@us.af.mil](mailto:brett.nishikawa@us.af.mil).

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