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Annual Professional Excellence Awards

The following awards are presented annually at the Navy League's National Convention. Recipients of the Navy and Marine Corps awards are selected by an Awards Board appointed by the National President. Appointees are retired Navy and Marine Corps flag officers. For obvious reasons, the composition of the Board is unpublicized. Approximately 90 days prior to the deadline for submission of nominations (March 31), the Navy League requests that directives be issued by the Navy and the Marine Corps inviting nominations for those individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the naval service in specific fields of endeavor during the preceding year. The Awards Board meets in June or July to consider the nominations. The Awards Board Chairman may determine the voting procedure the Board is to follow, but all voting must be conducted at a single meeting. The Board shall select one recipient for each award.

Recipients of the Coast Guard awards are selected by an Awards Board appointed by the Commandant of the Coast Guard. The Coast Guard is contacted in January and provided with information regarding the schedule and presentation of the current year's awards and asked to provide the names of the recipients at least 90 days prior to presentation.

Recipients of the Merchant Marine awards are selected by a committee appointed by the Commander of the Military Sealift Command. The Military Sealift Command is contacted in January and provided with information regarding the schedule and presentation of the current year's awards and asked to provide the names of the recipients at least 90 days prior to presentation.

The recipient of the Vincent T. Hirsch Maritime Award is selected by the Merchant Marine/Maritime Industry Affairs Committee of the Navy League. The Committee Chairman is contacted in January and provided with information regarding the schedule and presentation of the current year's awards and asked to provide the name of the recipient at least 90 days prior to presentation.

The Naval Intelligence Foundation award is presented annually at the Navy League's National Convention. The Director of Naval Intelligence is contacted in January and provided with information regarding the schedule and presentation of the current year's awards. Nominations are solicited

from Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard fleet and shore-based commands and forwarded to the Director of Naval Intelligence. The recipient is selected by a Board appointed by the Director of Naval Intelligence.

Each winner receives a certificate and an engraved watch which are presented at the Awards Luncheon during the National Convention. Awardees are guests of the Navy League at the National Convention; hotel accommodations and meals for the awardees and spouses are paid for by the Navy League. Travel costs for active duty awardees are covered by the military, however, the awardees must pay travel costs for their spouses. If an awardee is unable to attend the Awards Luncheon, arrangements will be made for presentation of the award at an appropriate event.

Navy and Marine Corps Selections

The John Paul Jones Award

The John Paul Jones Award is named for the Father of the U.S. Navy, the Navy's first indomitable sea fighter whose spirit of personal sacrifice, patriotic devotion, and courage further added to his reputation as an inspirational leader. Presented since 1957, this award for inspirational leadership is awarded to a Navy officer who has made an outstanding contribution to the high standards of leadership traditional in the naval service.

The Admiral Claude V. Ricketts Awards

The Admiral Claude V. Ricketts Award is named for a great naval leader, strategist, and statesman who gained respect for his inspirational leadership, determination and positive actions to preserve the maritime strength of the nation. Presented since 1967, this award for inspirational leadership is awarded to a Navy enlisted person who, by traditional performance of duty, has demonstrated outstanding leadership and the professional competence required by his or her rank (2 awards - E-7 and above, E-6 and below).

The Captain Winifred Quick Collins Awards

The Captain Winifred Quick Collins Award is named for the former Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel for women who provided inspirational leadership and performed her demanding duties in an exemplary and highly professional manner. Presented since 1973, this award for inspirational leadership is awarded to a woman officer and an enlisted woman whose exceptional leadership and performance in their military duties have been accomplished by outstanding contributions

that have brought them recognition and reflected credit on women in the naval service (2 awards - 1 officer, 1 enlisted).

The Lieutenant General John A. Lejeune Award

The Lieutenant General John A. Lejeune Award is named for the thirteenth Commandant of the Marine Corps, often referred to as the greatest of all Leathernecks, who was self-educated, fought in three wars, and was one of the most respected officers ever produced by the Corps. Presented since 1982, this award for inspirational leadership is awarded to a Marine Corps officer who has made an outstanding contribution to the high standards of leadership traditional in the naval service.

The General Gerald C. Thomas Award

The General Gerald C. Thomas Award is named for the first Marine in history to rise from the enlisted ranks to retire as a four-star general and whose spirit of personal sacrifice, patriotic devotion, and boundless courage further added to his reputation as an inspirational leader. Presented since 1969, this award for inspirational leadership is awarded to a Marine Corps enlisted man or woman who, by traditional performance of duty, has demonstrated outstanding leadership and the professional competence required by his or her rank.

The General Holland M. Smith Award

The General Holland M. Smith Award is named for the Father of Modern U.S. Amphibious Warfare whose bold, daring and imaginative leadership led to the establishment of an operational competence which still provides guidance for the U.S. naval services. Presented since 1982, this award for operational competence is awarded to a Marine Corps officer or enlisted person who has made an outstanding personal contribution that has advanced the readiness and competence of the naval service in the course of actual operations.

The Robert M. Thompson Award

The Robert M. Thompson Award is named for the Father of the Navy League who related the compelling need for U.S. sea power and whose message has served as an inspirational reminder of the importance of vigilance in maintaining the nation's maritime strength. Presented since 1957, this award for outstanding civilian leadership is awarded to a

civilian, government official, retired Navy or Marine Corps officer or retired enlisted person who has made a personal contribution to furthering the importance of sea power through his or her efforts as a civilian. (Civilian nominees for this award do not have to be Navy or Marine Corps employees.)

The Rear Admiral William S. Parsons Award

The Rear Admiral William S. Parsons Award is named for Admiral Parsons in recognition of his dedication to all aspects of scientific and technical advances and who was responsible to a marked degree for ensuring that the U.S. Navy remained in operational consonance with the ever-shifting and increasing demands of the changing world. Presented since 1957, this award for scientific and technical progress is awarded to a Navy or Marine Corps officer, enlisted person or civilian who has made an outstanding contribution in any field of science that has furthered the development and progress of the Navy or Marine Corps.

The Stephen Decatur Award

The Stephen Decatur Award is named for the hero of the Barbary Wars whose bold and daring resolution gave birth to an operational competence that still remains a guiding star for the U.S. naval service. Presented since 1957, this award for operational competence is awarded to a Navy officer or enlisted service member who has made an outstanding personal contribution in the course of actual naval operations that has advanced the readiness and competence of the naval service.

The Alfred Thayer Mahan Award

The Alfred Thayer Mahan Award is named for the famous naval theorist who, through his writing, provided vital stimulus and guidance to those who share in the defense of the nation. Presented since 1957, this award for literary achievement is awarded to a Navy officer, Marine Corps officer, enlisted service member, or civilian who has made a notable literary contribution that has advanced the knowledge of the importance of sea power in the United States.

The Honorable J. William Middendorf II Award

The Honorable J. William Middendorf II Award is named for the distinguished former Secretary of the Navy who provided outstanding leadership in furthering the national defense and naval/maritime policies of the United States government. Presented since 1984, this award for engineering excellence is awarded to a Navy petty officer who, by traditional performance of duty, has demonstrated outstanding leadership and professional competence required while attached to a deployed ship of the operating fleet.

The Admiral Ben Moreell Awards

The Admiral Ben Moreell Award is named for the Admiral who is remembered for his exceptionally meritorious service in World War II whereby, through extraordinary foresight, judgment, initiative, and energy, he directed the expansion of the Naval Shore Establishment in the United States and the building of advanced bases overseas. Presented since 1984, this award for logistics competence is awarded to a Navy or Marine Corps officer and a Navy or Marine Corps enlisted service member who has made an outstanding personal contribution that has advanced the logistics readiness and competence of the naval service (2 awards - 1 officer, 1 enlisted).

Coast Guard Selections

The Douglas A. Munro Award

The Douglas A. Munro Award is named for the United States Coast Guard's only Congressional Medal of Honor recipient, who displayed supreme leadership when he gave his life while leading the evacuation of a battalion of Marines trapped on a beach at Guadalcanal during World War II. By his magnificent performance and dauntless devotion to duty, this heroic Coast Guardsman exemplified the highest level of leadership and professional competence. Presented since 1971, this award for inspirational leadership is awarded to a Coast Guard enlisted man or woman who, by traditional performance of duty, has demonstrated outstanding leadership and professional competence required by his or her rank.

The Captain David H. Jarvis Award

The Captain David H. Jarvis Award is named for the hero of the Arctic who displayed exceptional leadership and professional ability in conducting a mission to save several hundred stranded men from starvation. His outstanding leadership was responsible for providing the guidance and discipline essential to their survival. Captain Jarvis was awarded a Gold Medal by a special Act of Congress for his outstanding service. Presented since 1971, this award for inspirational leadership is awarded to a Coast Guard officer who has made an outstanding contribution to the high standards of leadership traditional in the Coast Guard

Merchant Marine Selections

The Captain Arthur L. Johnson Award

The Captain Arthur L. Johnson Award is named for the Master of SS *Virginia Dare* who in 1942 bravely and successfully fought off enemy submarines, dive-bombers and torpedo planes in a blazing battle lasting for seven days and nights. Captain Johnson, Master of a gallant ship and a gallant crew, exhibited qualities of leadership and courage in keeping with the finest traditions of the United States Merchant Marine. This award has been presented since 2000 to a Military Sealift Command civil service licensed officer in the deck or engineering departments or staff officer in the supply department who has made significant and innovative contributions to the American maritime defense team.

The Able Seaman Oscar Chappell Award

The Able Seaman Oscar Chappell Award is named for the Able Seaman on SS *Dixie Arrow* who showed heroism beyond the call of duty. In 1942, Oscar Chappell served on an oil tanker that was struck by three torpedoes that resulted in the ship and surrounding sea being engulfed by fire and explosions. Seaman Chappell, injured by the explosions, heroically stayed at the helm of the ship and saved seven of his shipmates from burning to death by turning the ship into the wind and redirecting the flames from his trapped shipmates onto himself and the wheelhouse. Placing his own safety beyond all considerations, his last thought and act was to assure the survival of his imperiled shipmates. His magnificent courage and selfless disregard of his own life constitute a degree of heroism, which can be an enduring inspiration to seamen of the United States Merchant Marine everywhere. This award for outstanding maritime stewardship has been presented since

2000 to a Military Sealift Command civil service unlicensed crewmember who displays selfless dedication to shipmates.

Other Awards

The Vincent T. Hirsch Maritime Award

The Vincent T. Hirsch Maritime Award is named for a patron of the Merchant Marine and past National President of the Navy League. This award is presented to an individual in private or public life whose efforts and/or achievements have contributed substantially to an increased public awareness of the vital role of a privately-owned U.S.-flag merchant fleet, both to the United States defense establishment and to the nation's economic well-being.

The Naval Intelligence Foundation Award

The Naval Intelligence Foundation Award for Exceptional Leadership in Intelligence Support to the Fleet is sponsored in cooperation with the Naval Intelligence Foundation in an effort to preserve, extend, and extol the culture and heritage of Naval Intelligence, the oldest intelligence service in the United States. Its purpose is to advance knowledge and recognize achievement in the art and science of naval and maritime intelligence, and to develop in our citizens an understanding and appreciation of the importance of intelligence activities. Further, this award advances the Navy League's mission of education and support for those serving in a professional field which is so vital to the success of sea service operations. The award has been presented since 2001 to that officer of the sea services in the grade of O-4, O-5, or O-6 who has demonstrated exceptional leadership in providing excellence in operational intelligence support to the fleet.

Special Awards

The Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz Award

This award is presented annually at the Banquet during the Navy League's Sea-Air-Space Exposition. In November of each year, corporate members are invited to submit a package nominating an employee of their company, or another company. In February, the nominations are reviewed and a recipient is selected by a committee appointed by the National President, and chaired by the National Vice President for Development and Corporate Affairs. The winner is notified in writing by the National President. The winner is expected to accept the award in person. Traditionally, the presentation is made by the National President and the most senior Sea Service leader in attendance at the event. The recipient receives an engraved bronze medallion.

The Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz Award is named for a visionary leader of World War II. This award, first presented in 1981, honors a leader of industry who has made a major contribution to our nation's maritime strength and/or enhanced our national security, and who best exemplifies the leadership, statesmanship and dedication to our country that was exhibited by the award's namesake, Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz.

The Albert A. Michelson Award

This award is presented annually during the Navy League's Sea-Air-Space Exposition. In November of each year, corporate members are invited to submit a package nominating a civilian scientist or scientific team of their company. In February, the nominations are reviewed and a recipient is selected by a committee appointed by the National President and chaired by the National Vice President of Development and Corporate Affairs. The winner is notified in writing by the National President. The winner is expected to accept the award in person. Traditionally, the presentation is made by the National President and the most senior Sea Service leader in attendance at the event. The recipient receives an engraved bronze medallion.

The Albert A. Michelson Award is named for a Naval Academy graduate (Class of 1873) and recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize for his work

calculating the speed of light. This award has been presented since 1990 to a civilian scientist, technical innovator or technical organization for scientific or technical achievement that results in a significant improvement in the strength of our maritime forces or to the enhancement of our industrial technology base. In selecting the Michelson Award recipient, consideration is given to single event contributions, such as inventions and technological innovations, or long-term scientific development work.

The Admiral Vern E. Clark and General James L. Jones Safety Awards

These awards are presented annually during the Navy League's Sea-Air-Space Exposition. The Admiral Clark Awards are presented to an individual (active duty, reserve or civilian) from the Navy and to a Navy command; the General Jones Awards are presented to an individual from the Marine Corps (active duty, reserve or civilian), and to a Marine Corps unit. Announcement of the nomination requirements and submission deadline is coordinated between the Navy League and the DASN Safety in the fall, and promoted by the Navy. Information is also available on the Navy League web site. The submissions are based on FY activities from the preceding year. Winners are selected by a review panel led by the Navy League and comprised of representatives from the Navy Safety Command, Marine Corps Safety Command, Lockheed Martin, Bell Helicopter/Textron and General Dynamics. Winners are contacted individually by the Navy League and formally announced by the Assistant Secretary of the Navy Installations through an ALNAV communiqué. The winners are guests of the Navy League at the Sea-Air-Space Exposition, and hotel accommodations and meals are paid for by the Navy League. The awards are presented during the Sea-Air-Space Exposition Secretary of the Navy Luncheon by the Secretary and the Navy League National President. Winners receive a citation and a financial stipend: \$1,000 each to the individual winners and \$100 each to the MWR fund of the winning command and unit.

The Admiral Vern Clark and General James L. Jones Safety Awards are named for the 27th Chief of Naval Operations and the 32nd Commandant of the United States Marine Corps. The awards were created at the request of former Secretary of the Navy Gordon England and Mrs. England, who also donated personal funds to endow the awards. Their monetary contribution was matched by donations from Lockheed Martin Corporation, Bell Helicopter Textron, and General Dynamics Corporation. The Safety Awards are intended to stimulate naval safety through ideas and programs which will reduce avoidable injuries and fatalities by providing special recognition to individuals, teams, or organizations, whether active or reserve duty military members and/or Department of the Navy civilians, who best exemplify and advance a culture of safety. The awards have been presented to deserving naval personnel since 2005.

The Admiral Arleigh Burke Leadership Award

This award is presented at an appropriate event determined by the National President. The recipient is selected by a committee appointed by the National President. The recipient receives an engraved bronze medallion and a plate engraved with his or her name is added to the USS Arleigh Burke replica displayed at Navy League Headquarters.

The Admiral Arleigh Burke Leadership Award is named for a great naval leader and three-term Chief of Naval Operations. Admiral Burke was a true American hero whose professional achievements, ethical standards, and unselfish dedication to his calling and his country personify all that is noble in the American character. This award is presented to an outstanding leader from government (civilian or military), industry, or academia whose life is in keeping with the example set by Admiral Burke.

The Vice Admiral Robert F. Batchelder Awards

These awards are presented annually at an appropriate Naval Supply Corps ceremonial function. The Supply Corps appoints a Selection Board in the spring that includes one representative from the Navy League to be designated by the National President. The Selection Board meets in June at a location determined by the Supply Corps. The Board selects five recipients subject to approval by the Chief of the Supply Corps. Each recipient receives a certificate and a clock which are presented at a ceremony at the Navy Supply Corps School in Athens, Georgia, in August. The National President or his designee presents the awards.

The Vice Admiral Robert F. Batchelder Awards are named in memory of the former Inspector General of the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts (now the Naval Supply Systems Command). These awards, presented since 1984 for operational competence, are awarded to individuals who have made the most significant personal contributions to the supply readiness of the operating forces.

The Nicholas Brango Award

Naval Sea Cadet Corps officers may be nominated by: their Commanding Officers; Presidents of sponsoring organizations; Navy League Region Presidents; and NSCC Headquarter Representatives. A nominee is selected by a Naval Sea Cadet Corps Awards Committee. The Award, consisting of a clock and a certificate, is formally presented during the Navy League's Board of Directors' Meeting or National Convention.

The Nicholas Brango Award for Inspirational Leadership is named for the former Executive Director of the Naval Sea Cadet Corps. This award is presented to a Naval Sea Cadet Corps officer who has excelled in all phases of Cadet Corps training, and whose outstanding leadership has made a significant contribution toward attainment of Navy League goals in the training and education of American youth during the preceding year.

The Big Stick Awards

The National Vice President for Legislative Affairs and the Legislative Affairs Committee are responsible for selecting the recipients (1 Democrat and 1 Republican), and may consult with the Legislative Advisory Board, and the congressional liaison offices of the maritime services in doing so. The selectees subsequently are presented to the National President and the Steering Committee for approval. The process of researching and identifying deserving Members of Congress occurs following the final adjournment of each annual session of Congress. Following final approval of the recipients, the National Vice President for Legislative Affairs and the staff Legislative Director confer with the offices of both recipients for the purpose of coordinating public announcement of the award and identifying a suitable date for a reception honoring the recipients. The recipients are presented with an engraved walnut or mahogany walking stick and a plaque, a master version of which will be mounted at NLUS National Headquarters.

The Big Stick Award is presented to selected Members of Congress to recognize excellence in legislative stewardship of the maritime services. The award takes its name from former President Theodore Roosevelt's affinity for the West African proverb, "speak softly and carry a big stick, you will go far" and is presented annually to one Democrat and one Republican, irrespective of which house each serves in.

National Awards Committee

Mission statement:

Awards are important symbols of recognition and a means of publicly recognizing and rewarding exemplary and/or meritorious acts in the performance of duty or heroism that are above and beyond that normally expected and that distinguish the individual from others performing similar acts or services.

The National Awards Committee provides assistance and advice in all matters of policy, procedure, and administration of Navy League Awards. The Committee:

- *Recommends policy and procedures for awards;*
- *Maintains liaison with other committees of the Navy League and with the sea services regarding policy and procedure for Navy League awards;*
- *Maintains historical records of Navy League awards;*
- *Provides advice and assistance to the National President of the Navy League regarding awards; and*
- *Thoroughly examines all requests for establishing new awards in order to prevent proliferation and degradation of the value of existing awards, and recommends appropriate action by the Board of Directors when necessary.*

Meritorious Citation

The Meritorious Citation is the highest award under the cognizance of the Navy League's National Awards Committee. It is awarded to government employees, uniformed or civilian, who have made significant contributions to the maintenance and improvement of the national security of the United States and to the strengthening of its maritime forces; individuals, companies, or corporations making similar significant contributions to national programs of the League at the national level; and/or any member of the Navy League who has made a significant contribution to national programs of the League at the national level.

Recommendations for this award may be made by any National Director or Council President. The basis of the recommendation should be set forth in a detailed letter and include the name of the proposer, nominee, address, Navy League title, the nominee's Navy League

background, and his/her specific contributions. If approved by the National Awards Committee, the recommendations are forwarded to the Executive Committee for final approval. Only five Meritorious Citations may be awarded in any one calendar year, and all are at the national level. Meritorious Citations are prepared by Navy League Headquarters, and the National President or his designee makes the presentation at an appropriate event.

Distinguished Service Award

The Distinguished Service Award can be awarded only to members of the Navy League and is the highest award that falls into this limited category. It is presented annually at an appropriate event during the National Convention to a member who has made outstanding contributions to the Navy League, especially during the preceding calendar year. The National President, the Chairman of the National Advisory Council, the National Vice Presidents, the National Judge Advocate, the Corporate Secretary and the National Treasurer shall not be eligible for this award while in office, nor shall any member of the National Headquarters Staff be eligible. Recommendations for this award are solicited from National Directors and Council Presidents. The basis of the recommendation should be set forth in a detailed letter and include the name of the proposer, nominee, address, Navy League title, the nominee's Navy League background, and his/her specific contributions. The recommendations are forwarded to the National Awards Committee for consideration at their meeting in the June/July timeframe. The Committee's selectee for this award must be approved by the Navy League's Executive Committee. The recipient receives an engraved medal and a certificate.

Hall of Fame

The Hall of Fame award has been presented since 1988 to Navy Leaguers who have been members for twenty-five (25) or more years and who have served in a volunteer capacity throughout that time, making significant contributions, particularly on the national level. Past National Presidents, the National President, and the Chairperson of the National Advisory Council are not eligible for this award. The National Vice Presidents, the National Judge Advocate, the Corporate Secretary, and the National Treasurer are not eligible for this award while in office. Nominations for the Hall of Fame shall be submitted only by the National President and Past National Presidents. The basis of the recommendation should be set forth in a detailed letter and include the name of the proposer, nominee, address, Navy League title, the nominee's Navy League background, and his/her specific contributions.

Selection is made by the National Awards Committee and must be approved by the National Executive Committee. Approved selectees are inducted into the Hall of Fame during the Navy League's National Convention. Selectees receive a certificate and their names are added to a bronze plaque displayed at Navy League Headquarters.

Scroll of Honor

The Scroll of Honor is the second highest award of the Navy League on the national level, and the highest award on the region, area, and council levels. It may be awarded to government employees, uniformed or civilian, who have contributed in an outstanding manner to the furtherance of Navy League programs; and/or individuals (including Navy League members), companies, or corporations that have made similar contributions.

During any fiscal year, the maximum numbers of Scrolls of Honor that can be awarded are as follows: Council-1; Area-1; Region-2; and National-5. Approval for awards in excess of the above maximums may be requested from the National Chairman of the National Awards Committee. At the national level, this award must be approved by the National Awards Committee; at the region level by the Chairman of the Awards Committee; at the area level by the Region President; and at the council level by the council's Board of Directors. National Scrolls of Honor are prepared by Navy League Headquarters for presentation at an appropriate event. Regions, areas, and councils are provided with the certificate template for preparation locally. There is no charge for these awards. (See Certificates section for template)

Certificate of Appreciation

The Certificate of Appreciation may be awarded by the Navy League on the national, region, area and council levels to government employees, uniformed or civilian, who have contributed in an outstanding manner to the furtherance of Navy League programs; and/or individuals (including Navy League members), companies, or corporations who have made similar contributions.

During any fiscal year, the maximum number of Certificates of Appreciation that can be awarded are as follows: Council-12; Area-2; Region-5; and National-10. Approval for awards in excess of the above maximums may be requested from the National Chairman of the National Awards Committee. At the national level, this award must be approved by the National Awards Committee; at the region level by the Chairman of the Awards Committee; at the area level by the Region President; and at the council level by the council's Board of Directors.

National Certificates of Appreciation are prepared by Navy League Headquarters for presentation at an appropriate event. Regions, areas, and councils are provided with the certificate template certificate for preparation locally. There is no charge for these awards. (See Certificates section for template)

Honorary Memberships

Honorary Members may be named by the National Board of Directors as provided for in the National Bylaws. Honorary Members pay no dues, may not hold any elective office, and have no voting rights. The National Board of Directors, however, may prescribe such other rights, privileges and limitations, as it deems appropriate for this type of membership.

National President's Recognition Program

Annual President's Award

The Annual President's Award is presented to that member of the Navy League who has given the President the most support during the past year. It is presented to an individual selected by the National President at an appropriate event or meeting during the National Convention. The type of award given varies and is at the discretion of the National President.

National President's Medal

The National President's Medal is presented on appropriate occasions at the discretion of the National President for special recognition to foreign dignitaries who exemplify the highest ideals of the Navy League through their significant contributions to world peace, national security, and/or outstanding service to their country and/or fellow citizens. This medal is not intended for internal award to members of the Navy League or other U.S. citizens. Recipients receive a full size medal with ribbon, as well as a miniature medal.

Youth Awards Sponsored by the Navy League of the United States

Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC)

The Admiral James L. Holloway, Jr. Award

The Admiral James L. Holloway, Jr. Award, named for an outstanding former Chief of Naval Personnel, is presented annually to the most outstanding NROTC midshipman in the nation. The recipient is selected by the Navy, and the award is presented at commissioning by the appropriate Region President or a designated representative. The award consists of an engraved watch and a certificate.

Naval Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (NJROTC)

The Navy League of the United States NJROTC Awards, are presented annually to units participating in the Navy JROTC's two major national competitions: the NJROTC National Academics, Athletics & Drill Championships held at a location selected by the Navy (currently Pensacola, FL) and the NJROTC area manager's evaluation of the overall performance of the units, in their 11 respective areas from which the "Most Outstanding in Nation" and "Most Improved in Nation" units are ultimately chosen. The Navy League provides all of the various awards for both competitions. These awards shall be presented by appropriate Navy League Region Presidents, Area Presidents, National Directors or Council Presidents. The NJROTC National Academics, Athletics & Drill Championships, which take place in April is a three day event that is a comprehensive test of NJROTC training and performance. It includes an academic exam, athletic events, drills and a unit personnel inspection. Units are selected for this national competition by the 11 area managers based on similar competitions in their respective areas. The NJROTC area managers' evaluation also takes place in April. One unit is chosen "Most Outstanding in Area" and another as "Most Improved in Area" for each of the NJROTC areas. The names of these units and supporting documentation are forwarded to

the Headquarters Naval Service Training Command (NSTC). There a board evaluates them and determines first-, second- and third-place winners for “Most Outstanding in Nation” along with one “Most Improved in Nation”. For all these competitions the Navy League funds the trophies, plaques and medals as appropriate for the type and level of achievement. The design, size and characteristics of the “Most Outstanding and Most Improved” awards (Area and National) shall be the responsibility of the Chairman JROTC Subcommittee of the National Youth Programs Committee, who will also select a qualified manufacturer for their production. The awards for the National Academics, Athletics & Drill Competition are determined by the Navy. The chairman will coordinate as necessary with the designated NLUS HQ Staff office and the NSTC NJROTC Program office that provides school names and ceremony dates, to ensure effective award program implementation and cause the estimated costs of the awards for all the competitions to be submitted to the NLUS headquarters staff office for inclusion in the Navy League annual budget.

The Theodore Roosevelt Youth Medal

The Navy League has established a Youth Medal that is awarded to outstanding Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (JROTC) cadets and Naval Sea Cadets. The award consists of a medal, ribbon bar, certificate, and pamphlet on President Theodore Roosevelt whose visage is on the medal. These can be ordered on-line through the Navy League’s Ships Store web site (www.NavyLeagueShipsStore.com) or through the mail using the Ships Store Order Form. When ordering, specify that the award is either for NJROTC, MCJROTC or Sea Cadet/League Cadet. (See Certificates section for these templates)

Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC)

Navy League Councils that adopt or are otherwise in contact with a high school JROTC unit(s) should award the Youth Medal annually to a deserving cadet, normally a junior, at an appropriate awards ceremony. This will permit the cadet to have a year in which to wear the medal showing Navy League support for the program. Eligibility criteria for the NJROTC award are determined in conjunction with the Navy and are contained in a Naval Service Training Command (NSTC) instruction that addresses awards to NJROTC cadets. For MCJROTC cadets the criteria is contained in a similar instruction at the Marine Corps Training and Education Command. If there is no Navy League Council in contact with a High School JROTC unit the Senior Naval Science Instructor (SNSI) is directed in the NSTC instruction to order the medal through the Navy League’s Ships Store web site and contact Navy League Headquarters for additional information. The same directions are

provided to the Senior Marine Instructor. In this event the Navy League Headquarters Office shall contact the appropriate Region and Area President who will determine if Navy League presence at the award ceremony is feasible and provide any other assistance to the unit that is reasonable within their capabilities.

Naval Sea Cadet Corps (NSCC)

The Sea Cadet award consists of the Youth Medal and Ribbon Bar with 5/16" Silver Star (must be affixed locally), certificate and pamphlet. The medal is awarded annually by a representative of the Navy League Council that sponsors the Sea Cadet unit. Naval Sea Cadet Headquarters defines the criteria for selection of Sea Cadets to be honored. Navy League Councils may also award the NLUS Youth Ribbon Award (affixed locally) and certificate to the unit NLCC Cadet of the Year for each sponsored Navy League Cadet Corps (NLCC) training ship. These awards can be ordered on-line through the Navy League's Ships Store or directly from the Navy League supplier. Contact Navy League Headquarters for additional information.

United States Naval Academy

The Navy League of the United States Physics Award

This award is presented annually to the midshipman of the graduating class who is judged by the Chairperson of the Physics Department to be the most outstanding student in the Engineering Physics major program. The award, an engraved sword, belt and knot is purchased by the Naval Academy on behalf of the Navy League and presented by the National President or his or her designee at an Awards Ceremony held in conjunction with graduation events. (Administered by the U. S. Naval Academy)

Cooke Memorial Football Trophy

This award is presented in commemoration of the deceased football great, Commander Lemuel D. Cooke, USNA '39. It is awarded annually to a graduating midshipman who is a member of the Varsity "A" football squad, and who, during the year, is deemed to be outstanding and has done the most to promote team spirit within the squad. The recipient's name is added to a trophy which is exhibited at the Naval Academy Athletic Association, and the recipient receives a smaller version of the permanent trophy. The National President or his or her designee makes the presentation at an Awards Ceremony held in conjunction with graduation events. (Administered by the Naval Academy Athletic Association)

United States Coast Guard Academy

The Navy League of the United States Electrical Engineering Award

This award is presented annually to the cadet who attains the highest proficiency in Electrical Engineering. The recipient receives an engraved Navy League watch which is presented by the National President or his or her designee at an event in conjunction with graduation exercises. (Administered by the U. S. Coast Guard Academy)

United States Merchant Marine Academy

The Emory Scott Land Award

The Emory Scott Land Award is named in memory of Vice Admiral Emory Scott Land, a past chairman of the U.S. Maritime Commission and former head of the War Shipping Administration. It is presented annually to the Deck or Deck-Engineer Midshipman in each graduating class who is most outstanding in the engineering courses. The award, an engraved Navy League watch, is presented by the National President or his or her designee at an event in conjunction with graduation exercises. (Administered by the U. S. Merchant Marine Academy)

Outstanding Recruit Awards

The following awards are presented on a weekly basis. Each recipient receives an engraved plaque. (Administered by the training center, command or depot)

Outstanding Navy Recruit Award

The Outstanding Navy Recruit Award is presented to the outstanding recruit in each graduating class at the Naval Training Command in Great Lakes, Illinois.

Outstanding Coast Guard Recruit Award

The Outstanding Coast Guard Recruit Award is presented to the outstanding recruit in each graduating class at the Coast Guard Training Center in Cape May, New Jersey.

Outstanding Marine Corps Recruit Award

The Outstanding Marine Corps Recruit Award is presented to the outstanding recruit in each graduating class at the Marine Corps Recruit Depots in San Diego, California, and Parris Island, South Carolina.

Youth Program Awards Sponsored by the United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps

Please refer to the NSCC/NLCC Awards Manual

Other Awards Sponsored by the Navy League of the United States

Naval War College

These awards are presented annually to graduates of the Naval War College. Selection is made by the Naval War College based on outstanding academic performance, participation in Naval War College activities, participation in outside civilian activities, and promotion of the maritime services to the public. Each recipient receives a certificate and a gift (which varies from year to year – usually an engraved clock), and his or her name is recorded on a commemorative plaque at the College. The awards are presented by the National President or his or her designee. (Administered by the Naval War College)

Stephen B. Luce Award

The Stephen B. Luce Award is named for one of the Navy's outstanding officers in many fields including strategy, seamanship, education, and professional development. Because of Luce's urgings and exhaustive reports, the Naval War College at Newport, Rhode Island, was established in October 1884 with Rear Admiral Luce as its first superintendent.

William S. Sims Award

The William S. Sims Award is named for a past President of the Naval War College. This award honors outstanding academic performance, participation in Naval War College activities, participation in outside civilian activities; and promotion of the Maritime Services in the public interest.

National War College

The Navy League of the United States Research and Writing Award

The Navy League of the United States Research and Writing Award is presented annually to a graduate for excellence in student research and writing. The recipient receives a certificate and a \$500 savings bond. The National President or his or her designee presents the award. (Administered by the National War College)

Industrial College of the Armed Forces

The Navy League of the United States Research and Writing Award

The Navy League of the United States Research and Writing Award is presented annually to a graduate for excellence in student research and writing. The recipient receives a certificate and a \$500 savings bond. The National President or his or her designee presents the award. (Administered by the Industrial College of the Armed Forces)

United States Marine Corps Command and Staff College

The General Clifton B. Cates Award

Named for the nineteenth Commandant of the Marine Corps, this award is presented annually to a student whose sustained demonstration of problem-solving capabilities far exceeds his military experience and who is considered most outstanding as exhibited by written assignments and participation in wargames, practical exercises and the exchange of ideas. The first place recipient receives a certificate and an engraved watch; the second place recipient receives a certificate and an engraved clock or other gift as deemed appropriate. (Administered by the Marine Corps Command and Staff College)

Naval Justice School

The Naval Justice Awards are presented to those students graduating first in each of the six Military Justice Legal Officer Courses held each year at the Naval Justice School in Newport, Rhode Island; they also are presented to that student graduating first in each of the six Non-Lawyer Legal Officer Courses held in San Diego, California. Each recipient receives a certificate. (Administered by the Naval Justice School)

Council Awards

Council Performance Awards

These awards are presented annually during the Navy League's National Convention. Recipients are selected by an Awards Committee appointed by the NLUS National President.

Outstanding, Meritorious, and Honorable Mention Council Awards

Selection for a council award will be based on the degree to which a competing council meets the established criteria as outlined in the Navy League Operations Manual, Part Three Council Handbook. A Council may be considered for a Meritorious or Honorable Mention Award even though it may not have met all of the criteria required for an Outstanding Council Award. Because of their unique situations, many of the criteria established may not apply to overseas councils; therefore, the selection committee is authorized to judge overseas councils on the strength and vitality of their overall programs. Council performance for the previous calendar year is evaluated using Council Annual Reports and any supplemental materials provided by the council in the following major areas:

- Membership Retention
- Membership Growth
- Community Education Activities
- Youth Activities
- Council Activities
- Public Affairs Activities
- Legislative Activities

Recruiting Awards

Individual members are recognized for their superior efforts in recruiting new members to the Navy League through presentation of a unique lapel pin by the National President.

Retention Awards

One council in each of the following categories receives an engraved plaque recognizing their efforts in achieving the highest percentage of membership retention for the calendar year: Large, Medium and Small councils.

Mackie Awards

These awards are presented annually at the National Convention for newsletters and websites judged to be the best for the previous calendar year. Judges are selected on the basis of their expertise in the field of journalism, newsletter and web publishing or a related field.

The Donald M. Mackie Awards honor excellence in both print and web based communication. The award is named after Donald M. Mackie, who was instrumental in establishing **Seapower** magazine, then called "Navy - The Magazine of Sea Power," and has been presented to the best region, state, and council newsletters since 1964. In 2007, the website competition category was added. This inclusion better represents present and future communication standards. Within the competition, council newsletters and websites are further divided into three judging categories based upon the size of the council: small (up to 125 members), medium (126 - 499 members) and large (500+ members). A winner and a runner-up are chosen for each category. The winner in each category receives the same award, which may vary from year to year.

Public Relations Recognition Program Awards

Public Relations Recognition Program Awards are presented annually at the National Convention to the councils in their respective size categories with the highest accumulated Public Relations activity points for the previous year, based on criteria outlined in the Council's Report for Public Relations Activities.

Reports will be submitted on an honor system to National Headquarters (Attn: Public Relations Department) annually, no later than March 31. For judging purposes, councils are divided into three divisions, identical to those used for the Mackie Awards selections: i.e.: small (fewer than 126 members), medium (126 to 500 members), and large (more than 500 members). The winner in each division receives the same award, which may vary from year to year. The winners are selected by a committee appointed by the National President and chaired by the National Vice President for Public Relations.

**Navy League of the United States
200x Public Affairs Recognition Program
Reporting Form
(corrected revision 2007)**

Council: _____

Due Date: March 31, 200x

<u>Activity Dates:</u>	<u>Points Earned (Each Occurrence)</u>	<u>Cumulative Points This Activity:</u>	<u>Type of Activity:</u>
_____	X 50=	_____	Establishment or Continuation of a Speakers Bureau. (Credit once per year)
_____	X 40=	_____	Televised event: (i.e.: coverage of a Navy League activity or sponsored event; interview of a Navy Leaguer on any Navy League/sea service topic. Navy League TV spot announcement.
_____	X 35=	_____	Navy League information/education presentation to non-Navy League audience (Speakers Program event)
_____	X 50=	_____	Presentation to U.S. Senator or Representative and/or staff
_____	X 35=	_____	Navy League sponsorship of a community education program, i.e.: fundraiser for sea services family assistance, blood drive, high school journalism competition program etc.
_____	X 30=	_____	Radio coverage of interview (same criteria as televised event) Navy League radio spot announcement.
_____	X 30=	_____	Newspaper/magazine article or photo that makes reference to Navy League.
_____	X 25=	_____	Navy League newspaper/magazine advertisement.
_____	X 25=	_____	Publication of at least one issue of council newsletter each quarter.
_____	X 15=	_____	Distribution of news release (whether or not used by media).
_____	X 15=	_____	Navy League recognition of non-Navy Leaguer or organization for support or promotion of Navy League or sea services.
_____	X 15=	_____	Navy League recognition of sea services ship, station, Individual.
_____	X 15=	_____	Procurement of proclamation from city, county or state commemorating Navy League Day or sea service anniversary.
_____	X 50=	_____	Conducted a publicity program in support of Sea Cadets, NJROTC etc. units supported by council.
_____	X 35*=	_____	Maintenance of a Council Web Site (*updated every week or sooner = 35 points; every two weeks = 30 points; every month = 25 points; every three months = 20 points; every six months = 10 points; annually 5 points)

Total Cumulative Points for Indicated Period(s): _____

Certificates

<i>I. Scroll of Honor.....</i>	<i>28</i>
<i>II. Certificate of Appreciation.....</i>	<i>29</i>
<i>III. NJROTC Youth Medal.....</i>	<i>30</i>
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The Navy League of the United States
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League of the United States and in recognition of
achievements which exemplify our highest ideals

Presented this day of

President



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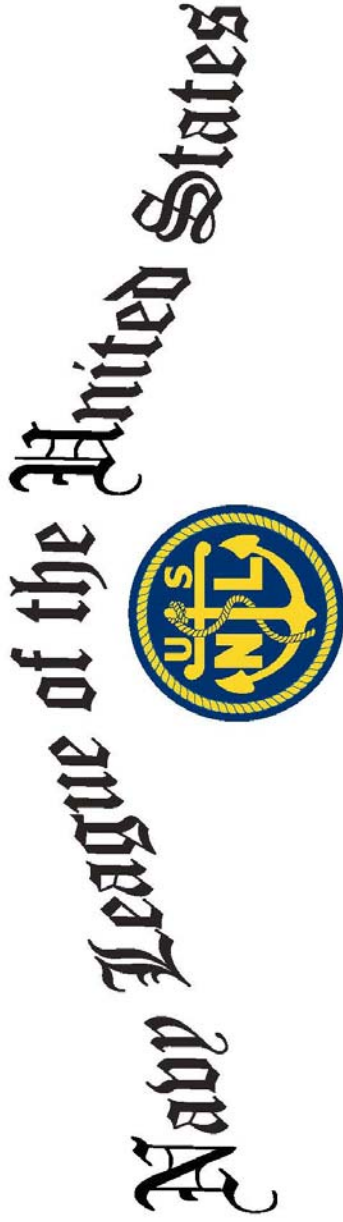
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Given this day of 20

Navy League
Council President

Senior Naval Science Instructor

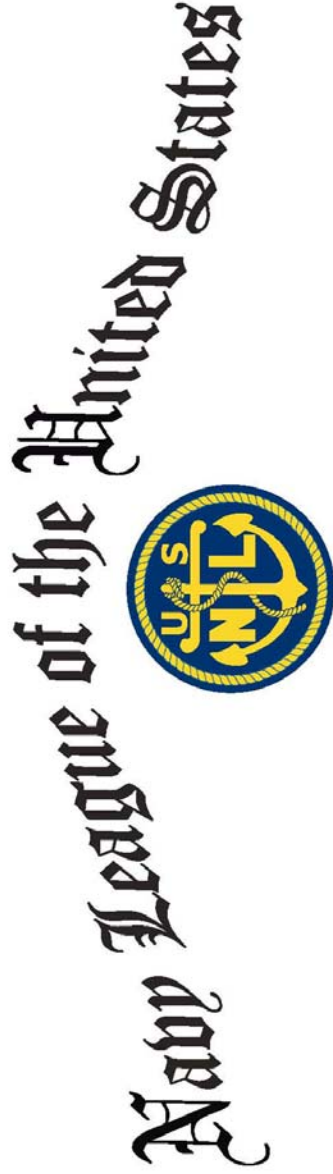


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Headquarters Contact Information

AWARDS	LEVEL	PRESENTATION TIME	DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS	AWARD	DEPARTMENT
PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS (SEA SERVICE AWARDS)	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY DURING NATIONAL CONVENTION	MARCH 31	WATCH AND CERTIFICATE	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
FLEET ADMIRAL CHESTER W. NIMITZ AWARD	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY DURING SEA-AIR-SPACE EXPOSITION	LATE-JANUARY	BRONZE MEDALLION AND CERTIFICATE	CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT
ADMIRAL VERN CLARK AND GENERAL JAMES JONES SAFETY AWARDS	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY DURING SEA-AIR-SPACE EXPOSITION	FEBRUARY 1	CASH AWARD AND CERTIFICATE	CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT
ALBERT A. MICHELSON AWARD	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY DURING SEA-AIR-SPACE EXPOSITION	LATE-JANUARY	BRONZE MEDALLION AND CERTIFICATE	CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT
VADM ROBERT BATCHELDER AWARDS	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY IN AUGUST	DETERMINED BY NAVAL SUPPLY CORPS	CLOCK AND CERTIFICATE	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
NICHOLAS BRANGO AWARD	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY DURING NATIONAL CONVENTION	JANUARY 1	CLOCK AND CERTIFICATE	NSCC
ADMIRAL ARLEIGH BURKE AWARD	NATIONAL	FREQUENCY AND VENUE VARY	VARIES	BRONZE MEDALLION	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
BIG STICK AWARDS	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY/VENUE VARIES	VARIES	ENGRAVED WALKING STICK AND PLAQUE	COMMUNICATIONS
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY DURING NATIONAL CONVENTION	MID- TO LATE MAY	ENGRAVED MEDAL AND CERTIFICATE	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
HALL OF FAME	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY DURING NATIONAL CONVENTION	MID- TO LATE MAY	CERTIFICATE	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
MERITORIOUS CITATION	NATIONAL	FREQUENCY AND VENUE VARY	VARIES	CERTIFICATE	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
SCROLL OF HONOR	NATIONAL, REGION, AREA, AND COUNCIL	FREQUENCY AND VENUE VARY	VARIES	CERTIFICATE	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION	NATIONAL, REGION, AREA, AND COUNCIL	FREQUENCY AND VENUE VARY	VARIES	CERTIFICATE	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
HONORARY MEMBERSHIP	NATIONAL	FREQUENCY AND VENUE VARY	VARIES	CERTIFICATE	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
YOUTH MEDALS	COUNCIL	ANNUALLY IN APRIL-JUNE	VARIES	MEDAL, RIBBON BAR, CERTIFICATE	MEMBERSHIP
COUNCIL PERFORMANCE AWARDS	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY DURING NATIONAL CONVENTION	JUNE 1	PLAQUE	MEMBERSHIP
RECRUITING AWARDS	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY DURING NATIONAL CONVENTION	JUNE 1	LAPEL PIN	MEMBERSHIP
RETENTION AWARDS	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY DURING NATIONAL CONVENTION	JUNE 1	PLAQUE	MEMBERSHIP
MACKIE AWARDS	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY DURING NATIONAL CONVENTION	MARCH 31	VARIES	COMMUNICATIONS
PUBLIC RELATIONS AWARDS	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY DURING NATIONAL CONVENTION	MARCH 31	VARIES	COMMUNICATIONS
ADMIRAL JAMES L. HOLLOWAY, JR. AWARD	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY IN MAY/JUNE	DETERMINED BY THE NAVY	WATCH AND CERTIFICATE	MEMBERSHIP
NJROTC AWARDS	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY IN APRIL-JUNE	DETERMINED BY THE NAVY	TROPHIES/ PLAQUES	MEMBERSHIP
UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY – NLUS PHYSICS AWARD	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY IN MAY	DETERMINED BY USNA	SWORD, BELT AND KNOT	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY – COOKE MEMORIAL FOOTBALL TROPHY	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY IN MAY	DETERMINED BY USNA	ENGRAVED FOOTBALL TROPHY	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD ACADEMY – NLUS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AWARD	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY IN MAY	DETERMINED BY USCGA	ENGRAVED WATCH	EXECUTIVE SERVICES

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UNITED STATES MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY-EMORY SCOTT LAND AWARD	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY IN JUNE	DETERMINED BY USMMA	ENGRAVED WATCH	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
NAVAL WAR COLLEGE – STEPHEN B. LUCE AWARD	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY IN JUNE	DETERMINED BY NAVAL WAR COLLEGE	SHIP'S CLOCK AND CERTIFICATE	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
NAVAL WAR COLLEGE – WILLIAM S. SIMS AWARD	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY IN JUNE	DETERMINED BY NAVAL WAR COLLEGE	SHIP'S CLOCK AND CERTIFICATE	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
NATIONAL WAR COLLEGE – NLUS RESEARCH AND WRITING AWARD	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY IN MAY/JUNE	DETERMINED BY NATIONAL WAR COLLEGE	\$500 SAVINGS BOND AND CERTIFICATE	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE OF THE ARMED FORCES – NLUS RESEARCH AND WRITING AWARD	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY IN JUNE	DETERMINED BY ICAF	\$500 SAVINGS BOND AND CERTIFICATE	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS COMMAND AND STAFF COLLEGE – GENERAL CLIFTON B. CATES AWARD (WINNER AND RUNNER-UP)	NATIONAL	ANNUALLY IN JUNE	DETERMINED BY USMC COMMAND AND STAFF COLLEGE	ENGRAVED WATCH AND CERTIFICATE / GIFT AND CERTIFICATE	EXECUTIVE SERVICES
NAVAL JUSTICE SCHOOL	NATIONAL	ADMINISTERED BY NAVAL JUSTICE SCHOOL	DETERMINED BY NAVAL JUSTICE SCHOOL	CERTIFICATE	EXECUTIVE SERVICES