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SUBJ/JOHN W. FINN AVIATION ORDNANCEMAN OF THE YEAR (AOY) AWARD FOR 2024//

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GENTEXT/REMARKS/1. ORIG REQUESTS WIDEST DISSEMINATION TO ALL AVIATION ORDNANCE ACTIVITIES/PERSONNEL AND HIGHLY ENCOURAGES EACH COMMAND TO SUBMIT A NOMINATION

FOR THIS HIGHLY PRESTIGIOUS AWARD. THIS IS AN OUTSTANDING OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE YOUR TOP PERFORMER FROM THE AVIATION ORDNANCE PROFESSION FROM BOTH THE US MARINE CORPS AND US NAVY.

2. THE 2024 JOHN W. FINN AVIATION ORDNANCEMAN OF THE YEAR (AOY) WILL BE SELECTED AT THE 47TH ASSOCIATION OF AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN (AAO) CONVENTION WHICH WILL OCCUR ON 1 THROUGH 3 AUGUST 2024 AT THE SILVER LEGACY RESORT IN RENO, NV. ALL AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN (NAVY AND MARINE CORPS, OFFICER AND ENLISTED, RETIRED AND ACTIVE DUTY) AND CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES WITH ORDNANCE INVOLVEMENT, ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THIS YEAR'S CONVENTION. SEPARATE AAO CONVENTION MESSAGE TO FOLLOW.

3. THE AAO REQUESTS COMMANDS NOMINATE DESERVING PERSONNEL FOR THE JOHN W. FINN AYO AWARD. ONLY ONE NOMINATION PER UNIT WILL BE ACCEPTED. NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN TO ACTIVE DUTY AND RESERVE AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN FROM THE US MARINE CORPS AND US NAVY SERVING IN PAY GRADES E-5 THROUGH E-6. ENDORSEMENTS, OTHER THAN FROM THE INDIVIDUAL'S COMMANDING OFFICER, ARE NEITHER REQUIRED NOR DESIRED.

4. THIS AWARD IS NAMED AFTER LT JOHN W. FINN, MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT FROM WORLD WAR II, FOR HIS HEROIC ACTIONS DURING THE ATTACK ON NAS KANEOHE BAY, TERRITORY OF HAWAII, ON 07 DECEMBER 1941. LT FINN PASSED AWAY ON 27 MAY 2010 AT THE AGE OF 100.

5. ENSURE STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH THE STATED NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS. CANDIDATES SHOULD BE NOMINATED FOR PROFESSIONALISM, MILITARY BEARING AND COMMUNITY SERVICE WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS BEING PLACED ON SUSTAINED SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE AS EMBODIED IN OUR US NAVY AND US MARINE CORPS CORE VALUES OF HONOR,

COURAGE AND COMMITMENT. THE PERIOD OF SERVICE RECOGNIZED BY THIS AWARD IS FROM 28 JUL 2023 TO 31 JUL 2024.

6. PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

A. FULL NAME, RATE/RANK.

B. DATE AND PLACE OF ENLISTMENT.

C. ADVANCEMENT HISTORY, RANK/DATE OF RANK.

D. DEPENDENTS (LIST NAMES AND AGES OF CHILDREN).

E. BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF SIGNIFICANT PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS THAT WARRANT SELECTION.

F. PERSONAL MILITARY AWARDS (FLAG LOC, NAM, NCM, ETC.) WITH SUPPORTING CITATIONS.

G. OFF-DUTY COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT.

H. COMMANDING OFFICERS COMMENTS.

7. ENCLOSURES:

A. ENCLOSURE (1): BIOGRAPHY - NARRATIVE STARTING FROM DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH, EDUCATION, MILITARY SERVICE, CURRENT ASSIGNMENT, AWARDS/MEDALS, FAMILY, ETC. (NOTE: LIMITED TO TWO (2) DOUBLE-SPACED TYPE WRITTEN PAGES).

B. ENCLOSURE (2): 5X7 FULL-LENGTH PHOTO, THREE-QUARTER VIEW, PLAIN BACKGROUND, SERVICE DRESS UNIFORM (USN)/DRESS "B" UNIFORM (USMC), UNCOVERED (A PERSONAL DIGITAL CAMERA MAY BE UTILIZED).

C. ENCLOSURE (3): A COPY OF THE THREE MOST RECENT EVALUATIONS (FRONT AND

BACK).

D. ENCLOSURE (4): JOINT SERVICES TRANSCRIPTS ([HTTPS://JST.DODED.MIL](https://jst.doded.mil)) COMBINATION REPORT. IF THERE ARE ADDITIONAL CLASSES/DEGREES NOT LISTED ON THIS REPORT, ATTACH OFFICIAL CLASS COMPLETION CERTIFICATES AND/OR DEGREES. ENSURE COMPLETE REPORT IS SUBMITTED, DO NOT OMIT "SUMMARY" OR "ACADEMIC INSTITUTION COURSES" SECTIONS.

E. ENCLOSURE (5): PERSONAL AWARD CITATIONS ONLY (FLAG LOC, NAM, NCM, ETC....).

8. A SAMPLE PACKAGE CAN BE FOUND ON THE ASSOCIATION WEB SITE AT WWW.REDSHIRTNATION.COM.

9. NOMINATIONS FOR THE JOHN W. FINN AOY AWARD MUST BE RECEIVED BY COB 19 JUL 2024. NO PACKAGES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE. REQUEST SUBMITTING COMMANDS PROVIDE AN EMAIL ADDRESS TO ENSURE THEY CAN BE PROVIDED CONFIRMATION THAT SUBJECT NOMINATION PACKAGE WAS RECEIVED AND VERIFIED AS COMPLETE. EMAIL PACKAGES TO THE AOY CHAIRMAN AT [AOYCHAIRMAN@GMAIL.COM](mailto:AoyChairman@gmail.com).

10. THE WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE AAO AWARDS BANQUET WHICH WILL BE HELD ON 3 AUGUST 2024.

11. FOR ALCON: REQUEST WIDEST POSSIBLE DISSEMINATION. PLEASE DIRECT ALL QUESTIONS TO THE FOLLOWING POCS: AOY CHAIRMAN AOC (RET) AMBER ROTH, [AOYCHAIRMAN@GMAIL.COM](mailto:AoyChairman@gmail.com); NATIONAL PRESIDENT CAPT MATT ARNOLD, NATIONALAAOPRES@GMAIL.COM; NATIONAL SECRETARY AOCM (RET) JOHN LAMAITRE, NATIONALAAOSEC@GMAIL.COM./

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