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SUBJ/JOHN W. FINN AVIATION ORDNANCEMAN OF THE YEAR (AOY) AWARD FOR 2023//

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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 2023 JOHN W. FINN AVIATION ORDNANCEMAN OF THE YEAR (AOY) WILL BE SELECTED AT THE

46TH ASSOCIATION OF AVIATION ORDNANCEMEN (AAO) CONVENTION WHICH WILL OCCUR ON 27 THROUGH

29 JULY 2023 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 DERSERVING PERSONNEL FOR THE JOHN W. FINN

AOY 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. MR. 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 PLACED ON SUSTAINED SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE AS EXPRESSED 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 22 JUL 2022 TO 27 JUL 2023.

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 7 JUL 2023.

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 NATIONALAAOVP@GMAIL.COM.

10. THE WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE AAO AWARDS BANQUET WHICH WILL BE HELD ON 29 JULY 2023.

11. FOR ALCON: REQUEST WIDEST POSSIBLE DISSEMINATION. PLEASE DIRECT ALL QUESTIONS TO

THE FOLLOWING POCS: AAO VICE PRESIDENT/AOY CHAIRMAN AOCS (RET) TIM ZIMMER, NATIONALAAOVP@GMAIL.COM;

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