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ARMOR LEADERSHIP AWARD

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This is a complete revision with changes and additions throughout. Changes eliminate mechanized infantry units from consideration and fix responsibility for administering the Armor Leadership Award in Reserve Components with Readiness Region Headquarters. Local supplementation of this regulation is prohibited except on approval of HQDA (DAPC-MSS-A), 200 Stovall Street, Alexandria, VA 22332.

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1. Purpose. This regulation assigns responsibilities and prescribes procedures for the Armor Leadership Award.

2. Scope and applicability. *a.* The Armor Leadership Award is given annually to promote, sustain, and recognize effective leadership in armor/cavalry units (para 4). It is financed by the Draper Combat Leadership Trust Fund. (An Indenture of Trust established the fund for this purpose.)

b. This regulation applies to the Active Army, Army National Guard, and US Army Reserve.

3. Responsibilities. *a.* Commanding General (CG), United States Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) will administer the Draper Combat Leadership Trust Fund under the terms of the Indenture of Trust. This fund will be administered as a Category VIII Supplemental Mission Service Nonappropriated Fund Instrumentality per chapter 1, AR 230-1.

b. The commander of each armored and infantry division, cavalry regiment, and separate armored brigade of the Active Army will select annually his most outstanding unit (in accordance with para 5 below).

c. The CG of each Army Readiness Region will select annually his region's most outstanding Reserve/National Guard units.

4. Eligibility. Battalions, squadrons, companies, troops, or platoons of air cavalry, armor, attack

helicopter, and cavalry are the only types of units eligible for the award. Combat support, combat service support, HQ, and mechanized infantry units are not eligible.

5. Selection procedures. *a.* Selection will be—

(1) Based on overall performance of the organizations throughout the calendar year.

(2) Made in a way that will preclude need for additional records or additional tactical exercises.

b. Commanders may wish to consider the factors listed below when evaluating units. Commanders may assign suitable weights to these factors. They may exclude those which do not apply and add others which do.

(1) Unit records and reports, major accomplishments, and performance as observed by the commander and his staff.

(2) Other records and reports applicable to the type of unit. Examples are: Evaluations of ARTEPs; weapons firing/qualification; SQT qualifications; annual active duty for training and drill attendance; related records, reports, and test/evaluation results.

(3) Unit's major accomplishments reported by the commander during the calendar year.

(4) Recommendations of commander's Staff and Senior Unit Advisor. These may be based on observation of the unit's military courtesy and discipline; unit esprit; condition of barracks, dayroom, and dining facility; supply and personnel economy; energy conservation; equal opportunity program; unit maintenance program; community relations.

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c. The name(s) of the officer(s) who commanded the unit for a substantial part of the year, and who contributed greatly to its superior performance, together with the winning unit's designation, will be placed on the base of each trophy. Forward these name(s)/designation(s) to the Custodian, Draper Combat Leadership Fund, USAARMC, ATZK-DPT, Fort Knox, KY 40121. Do this by 31 March after the end of calendar year for which award is made.

d. From the Trust Fund, the CG, TRADOC—

(1) Will provide a replica of the Goodrich Riding Trophy for the units named in paragraph 3 above. This trophy will rotate annually to each command's winner.

(2) Will give Army Readiness Region commanders trophies for the Reserve Components.

(3) May also provide individual trophies or

awards for selected students of the US Army Armor School on their graduation. These awards are based on demonstrated professional expertise/leadership.

(4) May make other awards to individuals and units, using remaining funds under terms of the original Indenture of Trust.

6. Administrative procedures. a. Send requests for presentation of the Goodrich Riding Trophy to units named in paragraph 3 to the Custodian, Draper Combat Leadership Trust Fund, USAARMC, ATZK-DPT, Fort Knox, KY 40121. Commanders will provide the custodian with a proper receipt.

b. Send correspondence/queries concerning the trophy or other awards mentioned in this AR to the custodian.

c. Presentation. Present each award at an appropriate ceremony.

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