



SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS), 111 ARMY PENTAGON, WASHINGTON DC 20310-0111

SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority – Awards Policy Establishment, Implementation and Oversight

1. References:

a. 10 United States Code § 3016(b)(2), Assistant Secretaries of the Army.

b. Department of Defense Manual 1348.33, Volume 3, *Manual of Military Decorations and Awards: DoD-Wide Performance and Valor Awards; Foreign Awards; Military Awards to Foreign Personnel and U.S. Public Health Service Officers; and Miscellaneous Information*, 23 November 2010.

c. Army Regulation (AR) 600-8-22, *Military Awards*, 11 December 2006 (Rapid Action Revisions - 15 September 2011 and 28 June 2013).

d. AR 672-20, *Incentive Awards*, 29 January 1999.

2. I hereby designate you to act on my behalf to establish, implement and oversee Army policy regarding military and civilian awards and delegate to you all authorities required to execute this responsibility.

3. As my designee for Army policy regarding military and civilian awards, you may delegate award approval authority to other Army officials, as you deem appropriate, unless expressly prohibited or restricted by law or Department of Defense policy, or as set forth herein. I reserve the authority to act on recommendations for award of the Medal of Honor and Distinguished Service Cross. No delegation or re-delegation of the authority conferred herein shall be effective unless it is in writing and determined not to be legally objectionable by the Office of the Army General Counsel.

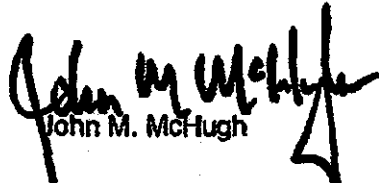
4. Record copies of all delegations and re-delegations will be provided to the Office of the Administrative Assistant for archiving within 10 days of taking effect. I will hold you responsible and accountable for all actions taken pursuant to this delegation of authority or any subsequent re-delegation of authority.

5. This delegation will be incorporated in the next revision of AR 600-8-22.

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6. Although not a limitation on your authority to act in my behalf, when your proposed action or decision relating to the authorities and responsibilities conveyed by this delegation represents a change in precedent or policy; is of significant White House, Congressional, Department or public interest; or has been, or should be, of interest or concern to me, for any reason, you will brief me prior to the decision. Continue my practice of coordination with Office of the Army General Counsel.

7. This delegation is effective immediately and expires three years from the effective date, unless earlier suspended, revoked or superseded.


John M. McHugh

CF:
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Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army
Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1
The Judge Advocate General
Commander, U.S. Army Human Resources Command