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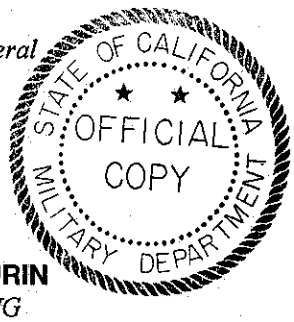

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History. This regulation replaces CA State Military Reserve Regulation 672-1, dated 1 June 1981.

Summary. This regulation prescribes the policies and procedures for the design, issuance, control, awarding and wear of authorized awards, medals and decorations of the California State Military Reserve.

Applicability. This regulation applies to all elements of the California State Military Reserve.

Proponent and exception authority. The proponent and exception authority of this regulation is the Adjutant General of the State of California. Supplementation and any exceptions to this regulation are prohibited without prior written approval from the Commanding General, CA SMR.

Interim changes. Interim changes to this regulation are not official unless authenticated by the Adjutant General via the Seal of the Military Department, State of California.

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Chapter 1
General

1-1. Purpose

The primary purpose of awards is to provide appropriate recognition by the State of California and the Office of the Adjutant General for acts of heroism performed and outstanding service or accomplishment rendered by members of the California State Military Reserve.

1-2. Policy

a. Awards are presented in recognition of heroic, extraordinary, outstanding or meritorious acts, service and achievements only.

b. No more than one award will be presented for the same act, achievement or period of meritorious service, except that a decoration may be awarded for an act of heroism performed within a period for which a meritorious service award has been made.

c. No award shall be presented to any individual whose entire CA SMR service subsequent to the time of the act, achievement, or service shall not have been honorable.

d. Special consideration will be given to the prompt recognition of outstanding company grade, warrant officers, and enlisted personnel of the CA SMR, whose achievement and services have met the prescribed criteria.

e. Only one actual presentation of any award medal or ribbon will be made to an individual. Subsequent awards of same decoration or award will be recognized by presentation of an appropriate bronze oak leaf cluster, or other device as prescribed in this regulation in conjunction with the certificate containing the citation of any subsequent award.

1-3. Definitions

a. **He, his, him.** Include the terms, "she", "hers" and "her" as appropriate.

b. **Heroism.** Specific acts of bravery or outstanding courage, or a closely related series of heroic acts performed within a short period of time.

c. **Distinguished himself by.** A person to have distinguished himself must, by praiseworthy accomplishment, be set apart from other persons in the same or similar circumstances. Determination of this distinction requires careful consideration of exactly what is or was expected as the ordinary, routine, or customary behavior an accomplishment for the individuals of like rank and experience for the circumstances involved.

d. **Duty of great responsibility.** Duty which, by virtue of the position held, carries the ultimate responsibility for the successful operation of a major command, mission, activity, agency or project, or which requires the exercise of judgement and decisions affecting plans, policies, operations, on the lives and well-being of others, the acceptance and fulfillment of the obligation so as to greatly benefit the interest of the State.

e. **Duty of responsibility.** Duty which, by virtue of the position held, carries a high degree of responsibility for the successful operation of a major command, mission, activity, agency or project, or which requires the exercise of judgement and decisions affecting plans, policies, operations, on the lives and well-being of others.

f. **Key individual.** A CA SMR member who formally occupied or is currently occupying a position that is indispensable to an organization, activity or project.

g. **Meritorious achievement.** A praiseworthy accomplishment, with an easily discernible beginning and end point, carried through to completion. The length of time involved is not a consideration but speed of accomplishment may be a factor in determining the worth of the enterprise.

h. **Meritorious service.** Praiseworthy execution of duties over a specific period of time. Service differs from achievement in that service concerns a period of time, while achievement concerns an enterprise having a definite beginning and end, but not necessarily connected with a specific period of time.

i. **Member.** The word "member" means a commissioned officer, warrant officer or enlisted person on active service with the CA SMR.

j. **Major Command.** Within the California State Military Reserve organizational structure, the following are designated major commands:

(1) Headquarters, CA SMR
(2) Support Brigades
(3) Installation Support Group, AFRC
(4) OTAG Support Group
(5) Center for Military History

k. **Anniversary year.** That period of time commencing with the Date of Entry into State Military Reserve (appointment date, see orders) and to the subsequent anniversary date.

1-4. Authorized Decorations and Awards

a. Section 640 through 649, California Military and Veterans Code, authorizes the following decorations and awards for members of the California State Military Reserve, in the following order of precedence:

(1) Medal of Valor. CAMV
(2) Military Cross. CAMC
(3) Order of California. CAOC
(4) California Medal of Merit. CAMM
(5) California Commendation Medal. CACM
(6) California Good Conduct Medal. CAGCM/R
(7) California Service Medal. CASM

(8) California Recruiting Achievement Ribbon. CARAR
(9) California State Service Ribbon. CASSR
(10) California Counter Drug Service Ribbon. CACDR

b. The following additional State Military Reserve medals and ribbons are authorized in the following order of precedence:

(1) CA SMR Meritorious Achievement Medal. SMRMAM
(2) CA SMR Military History Medal. SMRMHM
(3) CA SMR Training Excellence Ribbon. SMRTER
(4) CA SMR Enlisted Excellence Ribbon. SMREER
(5) CA SMR Recruiting Achievement Ribbon. SMRRAR
(6) CA SMR Professional Development Ribbon. SMRPDR
(7) CA SMR Mission Qualification Ribbon. SMRMQR
(8) CA SMR Emergency Training Ribbon. SMRETR
(9) CA SMR Outstanding Service Ribbon. SMROSR
(10) CA SMR Volunteer Service Ribbon. SMRVSR
(11) CA SMR Drill Attendance Ribbon. SMRDAR
(12) CA SMR Outstanding Unit Citation. SMROUC

Chapter 2
Criteria For State of California Decorations and Awards

2-1. Decorations

a. **California Medal of Valor:** The California Medal of Valor may be presented to any person who, while a member of the CA SMR, distinguishes himself by courageous conduct at the risk of his life, above and beyond the call of duty while in the service of the State. No award of the Medal of Valor shall be made except upon clear and incontestable proof by affidavit of at least one eyewitness or person having personal knowledge of the act or deed.

b. **California Military Cross:** The California Military Cross may be presented to any person who, while a member of the CA SMR, distinguishes himself by extraordinary heroism while in the service of the State.

2-2. Awards

a. **Order of California:** The Order of California may be presented to any CA SMR member who has distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service to the State in a position of great responsibility. The performance of duty must have been such as to merit recognition of key individuals for service rendered in a clearly exceptional manner. Exceptional performance of duties normal to the grade and branch, specialty or assignment, and experience of an individual is not an appropriate basis for award of this decoration.

b. **California Medal of Merit:** A California Medal of Merit may be presented to any CA SMR member who distinguishes himself by exceptionally meritorious service to the State in a duty of great responsibility or to any person who, by reason of unselfish and untiring activities in connection with the State Military Reserve, has rendered a distinct service in furthering the interests of and promoting the security and welfare of the State of California.

c. **California Commendation Medal:** A California Commendation Medal may be presented to any CA SMR member who distinguishes himself while serving in any capacity by meritorious achievement or service as defined in this regulation.

d. **California Good Conduct Medal:** A California Good Conduct Medal may be presented to any CA SMR enlisted person who has demonstrated fidelity through faithful and exact performance of duty, efficiency through capacity to produce desired results, and whose behavior has been such as to deserve emulation. The minimum period of service for this award is no less than three years of continuous active enlisted service with distinction. The ribbon for this award may be awarded for initial three years service but award of the medal and authorization for its wear requires six years of continuous excellent and faithful service.

e. **California Service Medal:** A California Service Medal may be awarded for ten years of honorable service in the California National Guard, California State Military Reserve, Naval Militia or for ten years combined service in any of such organizations to include credit for time spent in active federal service while in California National Guard federalized status. A subsequent award will be made for each five year period of state service thereafter.

The California Service Medal is awarded as follows:

AWARD	PERIOD OF SERVICE
10 years	**State Service Medal**
15 years	**Bronze Redwood Cluster**
20 years	**Silver Redwood Cluster**
25 years	**Gold Redwood Cluster**

f. **California Recruiting Achievement Ribbon:** A California Recruiting Achievement Ribbon may be awarded to any member of the CA SMR who meets the criteria stipulated in CAARNG Regulation 672-1.

g. **California State Service Ribbon:** A California State Service Ribbon may be awarded to any CA SMR member who honorably serves on active duty with the State during any period of emergency declared by the Governor or while the United States is engaged in war as defined in Section 18, California Military and Veterans Code.

h. **California Counter Drug Service Ribbon:** A California Counter Drug Service Ribbon may be awarded to any member of the CA SMR who provides support to CARNG counter drug missions in accordance with the provisions and criteria stipulated in CAARNG Regulation 672-1.

i. **CA SMR Meritorious Achievement Medal:** A CA SMR Meritorious Achievement Medal may be awarded to any CA SMR member who distinguishes himself by meritorious achievement or service which, while of lesser degree than that required for award of the California Commendation Medal, nevertheless has been of significant service to the California State Military Reserve and accomplished with distinction. The CA SMR Meritorious Achievement Medal may also be awarded to California National Guard personnel who have provided support to the CA SMR in the accomplishment of their primary mission. This medal may also be awarded to civilians who disquinguish themselves as indicated in this paragraph.

1. The recipient must have performed such honest and faithful service in accordance with the standards of conduct and duty required by law and customs of the Military Department of the State of California. The CA SMR Meritorious Achievement Medal may be authorized by the commander of major CA SMR commands as defined in Para. 1-3 j.

2. CA SMR members who have been awarded the CA SMR Achievement Ribbon prior to 15 November 1998 are authorized to wear the CA SMR Meritorious Achievement Medal as a miniature or full size medal as appropriate. The ribbon formally used to designate award of the CA SMR Achievement Ribbon will continue to be worn to represent award of the CA SMR Meritorious Achievement Medal. Additional awards will be designated by bronze oak leaf clusters as appropriate.

j. **CA SMR Military History Medal:** A CA SMR Military History Medal may be awarded to any member of the Military Department of the State of California, to include CNG and CA SMR personnel, as well as civilians who have made a significant contribution to the military historical programs of the state in support of the CA SMR Center for Military History, the California Military Museum, any of its satellite facilities within the State of California or other similar programs which contribute materially to the preservation and safekeeping of the military history of the state. The medal may be awarded upon the recommendation of any General Officer of the California National Guard or the California State Military Reserve with the concurrence of the Commander of the Center for Military History. Additional awards will be designated by bronze oak leaf clusters as appropriate. Proponent authority for the CA SMR Military History Medal is the CA SMR Center For Military History.

k. **CA SMR Training Excellence Ribbon:**

(1) A ribbon may be awarded to any CA SMR member who, as a trainer, have demonstrably met the training objectives as stated their unit training programs, or who have excelled in the preparation , conduct and evaluation of training.

(2) Nominees may include those personnel who have completed isolated or specific training projects with noteworthy results or dramatic success; or those who have, over an extended time period, achieved consistantly favorable results.

(3) Narrative employed in the recommendation for this award should contain specific examples including objectives sought and results obtained. Additional awards will be designated by bronze oak leaf clusters as appropriate.

l. **CA SMR Enlisted Excellence Ribbon:** A CA SMR Enlisted Excellence Ribbon may be awarded to any enlisted person who has demonstrated fidelity, faithful and exemplary performance of duty, efficiency and capacity to produce desired results and whose behavior has been such as to deserve emulation. The minimum period of service for consideration for this award is not less than two years of continuous active enlisted service. Recipient must be recommended by the senior NCO of the awarding unit and approved by the unit commander. Additional awards will be designated by bronze oak leaf clusters as appropriate.

m. **CA SMR Recruiting Achievement Ribbon:** A ribbon may be awarded to any member of the CA SMR to recognize excellence in the recruitment of CA SMR enlisted personnel. To be eligible for the basic award, three (3) new applicants must be enlisted within any 12 month period. Certification of successfully recruited applicants and copies of their enlistment orders must accompany recommendations for award. Subsequent awards are designated by a bronze star.

n. **CA SMR Professional Development Ribbon:**

(1) A ribbon may be awarded to any CA SMR member who successfully completes, while on active CA SMR service, an approved military professional development course appropriate to his grade or rank. Additional professional development courses taken, as completed, will be indicated by a bronze oak leaf clusters.

(2) Questions concerning specific courses that qualify for the above award should be referred to HQ, CA SMR, ATTN: CASR-T, who will maintain the official registry for all professional development courses in cooperation with the Personnel Section.

o. **CA SMR Mission Qualification Ribbon:** A ribbon may be awarded to any CA SMR member who satisfactorily completes an authorized training course in support of any approved CNG "non-emergency" mission, i.e. DDR, ESGR, Physical Security and SIMDET training, etc. A Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster may be awarded for satisfactory completion of each subsequent course completed but only for a different

mission qualification. Retraining or refresher training will not be recognized for award of additional oak leaf clusters.

p. **CA SMR Emergency Training Ribbon:** A ribbon may be awarded to any CA SMR member who satisfactorily completes an approved CA SMR emergency training course. Approved courses include CNG LNO training, NICI, CSTI and the FEMA Incident Command System (IS-195) self-study course. CA SMR signal personnel, when fully qualified as military communicators and recommended in writing by the CA SMR Staff Signal Officer, may also be awarded this ribbon. A Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster may be awarded for completion of each subsequent course successfully completed. Retraining or refresher training will not be recognized for award of additional oak leaf clusters.

q. **CA SMR Outstanding Service Ribbon**: A CA SMR Outstanding Service Ribbon may be awarded to any CA SMR member for the completion of a minimum of 200 certified hours of military service to the California State Military Reserve during his anniversary year, exclusive of attendance at drills, staff meetings, ceremonies, parades and professional development. For each successive year where the 200 hour minimum is completed, a bronze oak leaf cluster will be awarded and affixed to the ribbon in recognition thereof. When four bronze oak leaf clusters have been awarded, the fifth award will be a gold grizzly bear device affixed to the ribbon, up to a maximum of 3 grizzly devices.

r. **CA SMR Volunteer Service Ribbon:** A ribbon may be awarded to a CA SMR member for honorable and satisfactory volunteer service in the California State Military Reserve for a period of three consecutive years. Also required, in addition to the service period, is the accumulation of a minimum of 100 certified volunteer hours per year on community outreach and other non-military public service projects of value to the community, over and above the required UTA hours, during each of the three years. The year shall be based on a training year rather that a calendar year. Subsequent awards of this ribbon shall be on the same basis as the foregoing and will be indicated by the attachment of an appropriate bronze oak leaf cluster to the ribbon.

s. **CA SMR Drill Attendance Ribbon:** A ribbon may be awarded to each CA SMR member for 100% attendance at all Unit Training Assemblies (UTAs) during any single CA SMR training year. Subsequent awards will be indicated by the attachment of appropriate bronze stars. After 4 bronze stars have been awarded, a silver star will be worn.

t. **CA SMR Outstanding Unit Citation:** A ribbon enclosed in a gold frame may be awarded to any CA SMR unit which has distinguished itself by outstanding service or achievement. This award is intended to foster unit morale and provide incentive and esprit de corps by recognizing those CA SMR units which meet either of the following criteria within any given training year.

(1) Service defined: Maintain an average unit training assembly attendance of 90% or better for 8 or more of the 12 months of the training year and have obtained written commendation from the commander of the supported CNG unit attesting to the service provided by the CA SMR unit during the prior twelve months.

(2) Achievement defined: Any unit which has distinguished itself through a specific act, the performance of which must have been accomplished in a manner that clearly exceeds that which is normally expected.

(3) Personnel assigned or attached on orders to the unit during the period of time when the citation was earned are authorized to wear this award as a permanent part of their uniform. Personnel assigned to the unit after the citation has been awarded are authorized to wear the citation only while assigned to the unit. Subsequent citations will be designated by Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters as appropriate.

Chapter 3
Presentation of Decorations and Awards

3-1. Decorations

The Medal of Valor shall be presented by the Governor. The Military Cross and the Order of California and California Medal of Merit may be presented by the Governor, the Adjutant General, any California National Guard General Officer, or any General Officer of the State Military Reserve in the name of the Governor.

3-2. Awards

The California Commendation Medal, California Good Conduct Medal, California Service Medal, California Recruiting Achievement Ribbon, State Service Ribbon, California Counter Drug Service Ribbon, CA SMR Meritorious Achievement Medal, CA SMR Military History Medal, CA SMR Training Excellence Ribbon, CA SMR Enlisted Excellence Ribbon, CA SMR Recruiting Achievement Ribbon, CA SMR Professional Development Ribbon, CA SMR Mission Qualification Ribbon, CA SMR Emergency Training Ribbon, CA SMR Outstanding Service Ribbon, CA SMR Volunteer Service Ribbon, CA SMR Drill Attendance Ribbon and the CA SMR Outstanding Unit Citation may be presented by the appropriate CA SMR Unit Commander.

Chapter 4
Recommendations

4-1. General

a. Recommendations for the California Medal of Valor and the California Military Cross will be submitted in accordance with appropriate paragraphs of CAARNG REG 672-1 on CNG Form 672-13R (Rec-

ommendation for Award) through CA SMR chain of command to appropriate approving authority.

b. Recommendations for the Order of California (CAOC), the California Medal of Merit (CAMM) and the California Commendation Medal (CACM), will be submitted on CNG Form 672-13R (Recommendation for Award) through appropriate CA SMR chain of command to appropriate approving authority. (See Para. 4-5).

c. Recommendation for the CA SMR Meritorious Achievement Medal will be submitted on CA SMR Form 638 (Recommendation for Award) (Appendix B).

d. Separate recommendations will be submitted for each proposed award and only one proposed awardee will be named in a single recommendation.

e. Recommendations for award of the California Good Conduct Ribbon, CA SMR Drill Attendance Ribbon, CA SMR Mission Qualification Ribbon, and CA SMR Outstanding Service Ribbon and other similar CA SMR ribbon awards not otherwise required to be submitted on another form will be submitted on a memorandum accompanied by a CA SMR Form 10. Multiple name listings may be submitted by the unit commander or personnel officer. Recommendations for the CNG and CA SMR Recruiting Achievement Ribbons will be in the format shown in Appendix C.

f. Request for award of California Service Medal will be submitted by the individual as shown in Appendix F.

g. Application for award of the CA SMR Outstanding Unit Citation will be submitted to CA SMR Headquarters on a memorandum over the personal signature of the Unit Commander following the format as shown in Appendix D, not later than 60 days following the end of the official training year.

h. All recommendations for awards and decorations requiring official MILPO orders will be submitted through CA SMR command channels to HQ, CA SMR, ATTN: CASR-P.

i. It is the responsibility of the recommendor to properly establish full justification for any proposed award by properly filling out required recommendation forms. The approving headquarters is not responsible for correcting spelling, punctuation and grammar in proposed citations, or providing adequate narrative of the service or achievement of the awardee. Commanders are urged to require the highest standards on all submitted award recommendations.

4-2. Time Limitations

a. Each recommendation for an award must be formally entered into CA SMR channels within the two year period following the act, achievement or service to be recognized. To be fully effective an award must be timely. Undue delay in submitting a recommendation may preclude its consideration. It is highly desirable that a recommendation be placed in CA SMR channels and acted upon as quickly as possible. Award recommendations received for achievements or service periods in excess of 24 months will not be considered under any circumstances.

b. Recommendations for decorations and higher state awards should be submitted to CA SMR Headquarters for action sufficiently in advance, but normally not less than 90 days prior of the desired presentation date.

4-3. Announcement of Awards

a. Award of the California Medal of Valor, California Military Cross, Order of California, California Medal of Merit, California Commendation Medal, California Recruiting Achievement Ribbon, California State Service Ribbon and California Counter Drug Service Ribbon will be announced in permanent orders issued by CNG, MILPO.

b. All other awards will be announced in permanent CA SMR orders issued by HQ, CA SMR unless approved for issue by major subordinate commands by letter memorandum from the Commanding General, CA SMR.

4-4. Award Certificates

a. Appropriate certificates for major awards and decorations, if available, will be prepared for presentation at the appropriate ceremony. Certificates are currently available for the following decorations and awards:

California Medal of Valor
California Military Cross
Order of California
California Medal of Merit
California Commendation Medal
California Good Conduct Medal
California Service Medal

b. Other certificates available are:

CA SMR Meritorious Achievement Medal
CA SMR Outstanding Unit Citation
CA SMR Certificate of Appreciation
CA SMR Certificate of Meritorious Service

4-5. Awards Authority

a. All recommendations for award of the Medal of Valor, the Military Cross and the Order of California must be reviewed and approved by the Commanding General, CA SMR prior to the award recommendation being forwarded to OTAG for concurrence.

b. Recommendations for the award of the California Medal of Merit and the CA SMR Military History Medal will be approved by the Commanding General, CA SMR.

c. Recommendations for award of the California Commendation Medal and the CA SMR Meritorious Achievement Medal may be approved by the commander of any Major CA SMR Command as defined in 1-3 j, then forwarded to HQ, CA SMR for publication of orders.

d. The California Service Medal requires only proof of time-in-service to qualify a member for the award. Requests for award of the CASM will be submitted to HQ, CA SMR, ATTN, CASR-P, for publication of permanent orders.

e. The CA SMR Outstanding Unit Citation may be

awarded by the Commanding General, CA SMR, upon proper application from the commander of the unit seeking the citation.

f. The California Good Conduct Medal/Ribbon will be awarded on permanent orders published by HQ, CA SMR upon application and certification from the individual's unit commander that the individual meets all the requirements for award of the ribbon or medal as appropriate.

4-6. Delegation of Awards Authority

a. Major CA SMR Commands, as defined in Para. 1-3j are granted authority to *approve* award of the following:

California Commendation Medal
CA SMR Meritorious Achievement Medal
CA SMR Training Excellence Ribbon
CA SMR Enlisted Excellence Ribbon
CA SMR Recruiting Achievement Ribbon
CA SMR Professional Development Ribbon
CA SMR Mission Qualification Ribbon
CA SMR Emergency Training Ribbon
CA SMR Outstanding Service Ribbon
CA SMR Volunteer Service Ribbon
CA SMR Drill Attendance Ribbon
Certificates of Appreciation & Commendation
Letter of Appreciation & Commendation

b. Purchase of CA SMR award items such as medals, ribbons and devices for making appropriate presentations are the responsibility of units concerned except in the case of initial award of the California Medal of Valor, California Military Cross, Order of California, California Medal of Merit, California Commendation Medal, California State Service Medal and California Good Conduct Medal, in which case the appropriate medal will normally be provided by the Military Department.

c. Unit award orders using the format shown in CA SMR Regulation 310-1 will be published as required by any of the organizations listed in Para. 1-3j who will provide required informational and MPRJ file copies to HQ , CA SMR, Attn: CASR-P.

d. Award authority may not be delegated further downward.

NOTE: It is the sole responsibility of the issuing authority to provide copies of all award orders to the Personnel Section, HQ, CA SMR, for inclusion in the individual's MPRJ. Failure to do so may result in denial of award authentication when official records are checked to verify awards for purposes of promotion, reassignment, award of additional decoration, etc. The **official** record of an individual's awards and decorations is maintained at HQ, CA SMR.

Chapter 5
Miscellaneous

5-1. Letters of Commendation and Achievement

Commanders and supervisors are encouraged to recognize individual acts not meriting a decoration through the issuance and publication of an appropriate letter of commendation or achievement over the personal signature of the commander or supervisor. One copy of each such letter will be forwarded to this headquarters, ATTN: CASR-P for enclosure in the individual's MPRJ.

5-2. Certificates of Appreciation

A CA SMR Certificate of Appreciation has been established to recognize individual acts not warranting a decoration or award or to express appreciation to civilians and organizations for outstanding services performed.

5-3. Wear of Awards, Decorations and Badges

a. Only awards, decorations and badges lawfully awarded to an individual by any United States Armed Service, The United States Coast Guard, the government of a friendly ally, the State of California, or the Military Department of any other State or United States Territory or Possession may be worn on the uniform by members of the California State Military Reserve.

b. When worn, United States and authorized foreign decorations and awards of friendly nations and the United Nations take precedence over California state decorations and awards followed by awards and decorations from other states, territories and possessions.

c. The wearing of any non-official ribbon, medal or other similar device of a quasi-military nature, obtained from or awarded by associations such as AUSA, ROA, SDFAUS, NGAC and other similar organizations on the CA SMR uniform is expressly prohibited except as follows:

(1) When attending an official function of the organization and then only when traveling directly to or from such function where travel can be completed within 24 hours. Decorations, awards, neck pendants, medallions, etc., will only be worn while at the function of the awarding organization. For example, AUSA awards and ribbons, etc., may only be worn when attending an official AUSA function.

(2) When attending dining-ins or other similar military functions where wear of such devices, pendants and awards on the CA SMR uniform would be appropriate and not bring disgrace or derision upon the wearer, the California State Military Reserve or the State of California.

d. No other awards, decorations, medals, badges, ribbons or civilian insignia may be worn on a uniform by members of the CA SMR.

5-4. Quarterly Reporting of Awards

Unit personnel officers of commands having award authority for California Medal of Valor, California Military Cross, Order of California, California Medal of Merit and the California Commendation Medal are required to report to HQ, CA SMR on a quarterly basis the number of awards and their reason - service, achievement or retirement. Refer to CAARNG Regulation 672-1 for additional guidance.

5-5. Awards Boards

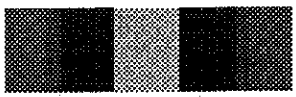
Although there are no statutory requirements for the establishment of formal awards boards, unit commanders are encouraged to form and utilize such boards as a method of insuring fairness and equal treatment of CA SMR members in the recommendation and approval of CA SMR awards and decorations. It is the unit commander's responsibility to insure that all soldiers under his supervision are properly recognized for service and accomplishment in a suitable manner.

APPENDIX A

CNG and CA SMR Awards & Decorations Ribbons, Illustrated

Awards of California and the California State Military Reserve

CALIFORNIA
MEDAL OF VALOR



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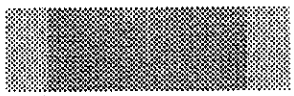

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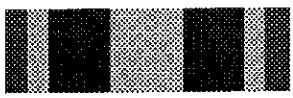

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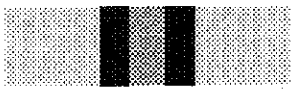

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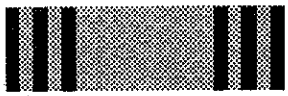

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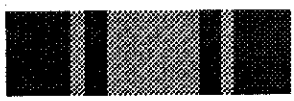

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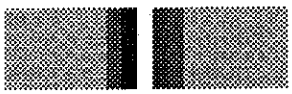

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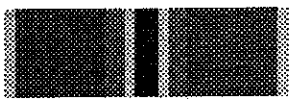

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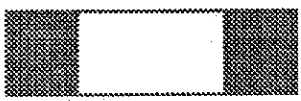

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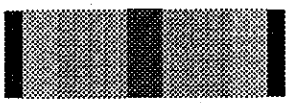

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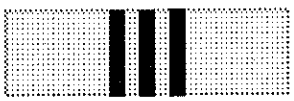

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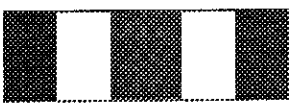

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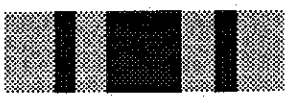

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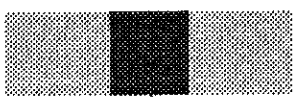

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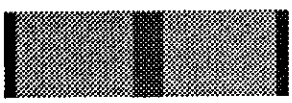

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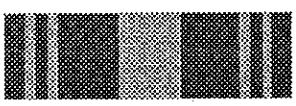
SERVICE RIBBON



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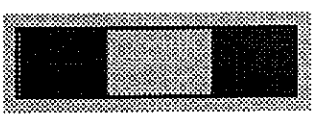

CA SMR OUTSTANDING
UNIT CITATION

APPENDIX B

CA SMR Form 672, Recommendation for Award

LETTERHEAD OF SUBMITTING UNIT

OFFICE SYMBOL (MARKS NUMBER) DATE dd mmm yyyy

MEMORANDUM FOR Personnel Officer, Unit

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award or Service Ribbon

1. In accordance with the provisions of CA SMR 672-1, I request the following individual be awarded the:_____ as described in Paragraph _____ of the regulation.

a. Grade and Name of Individual nominated for award:

b. SSN:

c. Unit of Assignment:

d. Specifics of award recommendation (time, place, service or achievement, etc)

2. I certify that the facts stated in reference to application for this award or service ribbon are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

( ) a. I am making this recommendation/request on behalf of myself

( ) b. I am making this recommendation/request on behalf of another

// signed //
JOHN B. GOODE
CPT, CA SMR

FOR PERSONNEL SECTION USE:

Disposition: ( ) Approved ( ) Disapproved

Orders published: Order # Date: Copies to HQ, CA SMR:

// signed //
BOB B. GOODE
MAJ, CA SMR
Personnel Officer

NOTE: This form may be used to apply for all CA SMR decorations below but including the CA SMR Mertiorious Achievement Medal. All awards above the CA SMR MAM, must be subimmet on CNG672-13R. State Service Medals and Recruiting Ribbons have their own forms (see Appendix C and E)

APPENDIX C
CA SMR Form 672A, Recommendation for CNG and CA SMR Recruiting Ribbon

LETTERHEAD OF SUBMITTING UNIT

OFFICE SYMBOL (MARKS NUMBER) DATE dd mmm yyyy

MEMORANDUM FOR Awards and Decorations Officer, HQ, CA SMR

SUBJECT: Request for Award of CNG or CA SMR Recruiting Ribbon

1. In accordance with the provisions of CA SMR 672-1, I request the following individual be awarded the:_____ as described in Paragraph _____ of the regulation.

a. Grade and Name of Individual nominated for award:

b. SSN:

c. Unit of Assignment:

d. Specifics of award recommendation (Name, date and order number of all personnel claimed for award)

Name	Date Appointed/enlisted	State Order Number
a.		
b.		
c.		
d.		
e.		

2. I certify that the facts stated in reference to application for this recruiting ribbon are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

( ) a. I am making this recommendation/request on behalf of myself

( ) b. I am making this recommendation/request on behalf of another

// signed //
JOHN B. GOODE
CPT, CA SMR

FOR HQ, CA SMR PERSONNEL SECTION USE:

Disposition: ( ) Approved ( ) Disapproved

Orders published: Order # Date: Copies to Submitting Unit:

// signed //
BOB B. GOODE
LTC, CA SMR
Personnel Officer

APPENDIX D

CA SMR Form 672B, Application for Outstanding Unit Citation.

LETTERHEAD OF SUBMITTING UNIT

OFFICE SYMBOL (MARKS NUMBER) DATE dd mmm yyyy

MEMORANDUM FOR Commanding General, HQ, CA SMR

SUBJECT: Request for Award of Outstanding Unit Citation

1. In accordance with the provisions of CA SMR 672-1, I request my unit be awarded an Outstanding Unit Citation for the period _____ as described in Paragraph _____ of the regulation.

a. Specifics of recommendation (narrative justifying request for award of OSU)

( ) (1) I am making this recommendation/request on behalf of my unit

( ) (2) I am making this recommendation/request on behalf of another unit

// signed //
JOHN B. GOODE
CPT, CA SMR
Commanding

FOR HQ, CA SMR PERSONNEL SECTION USE:

Disposition: ( ) Approved ( ) Disapproved by CG, CA SMR Date:

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BOB B. GOODE
LTC, CA SMR
Personnel Officer

APPENDIX E
Individual Request for State Service Medal

LETTERHEAD OF SUBMITTING UNIT

OFFICE SYMBOL (MARKS NUMBER) DATE dd mmm yyyy

MEMORANDUM FOR Awards and Decorations Officer, HQ, CA SMR

SUBJECT: Request for Award of Califlornia State Service Medal

1. In accordance with the provisions of CA SMR 672-1, I request the following individual be awarded the:_____ as described in Paragraph _____ of the regulation.

a. Grade and Name of Individual nominated for award:

b. SSN:

c. Unit of Assignment:

d. Classification of Award ( ) 10 years ( ) 15 years ( ) 20 years ( ) 25 years

e. Specific periods of state service claimed for award including previous award periods
1.
2.
3.

2. I certify that the facts stated in reference to application for this recruiting ribbon are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

( ) a. I am making this recommendation/request on behalf of myself

( ) b. I am making this recommendation/request on behalf of another

// signed //
JOHN B. GOODE
CPT, CA SMR

FOR HQ, CA SMR PERSONNEL SECTION USE:

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BOB B. GOODE
LTC, CA SMR
Personnel Officer