

Date: March 29, 2023

To: Chief Operating Officer / Executive Director, Marine Corps League

From: Raymond S. Morrell, member
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RE: Proposed Administrative Procedure Change

MCL National Administrative Procedures: Enclosure (4) Four: MCL Awards Manual – Change name and criteria of Detachment Commandant Award to Past Detachment Commandant award; and, change name and criteria of Department Commandant award to Past Department Commandant award.

In accordance with Marine Corps League (MCL) National Administrative Procedures Manual, Section 10020, I submit the following proposal to change the name and criteria of the Detachment Commandant award and Department Commandant award as identified in the *MCL National Administrative Procedures Manual: Enclosure (4) Four – MCL Awards Manual*.

This proposed change was done with MCL National Awards Committee Chairperson Jim Powell and Regular Member James Roy.

CURRENT:

Current *MCL National Administrative Procedures, Enclosure (4) Four – MCL Awards Manual* states the following awards as:

Department Commandant Medal (Commandant Samuel Nicholas)

Medal: Bronze

Ribbon: Red and gold stripe

To be worn by present and past elected Department Commandant

AND

Detachment Commandant Medal (Commandant John A. Lejeune)

Medal: Bronze

Ribbon: Maroon and Dark blue stripes

To be worn by present and past elected Detachment Commandant

PROPOSED:

Past Department Commandant Medal (Commandant Samuel Nicholas)

Medal: Bronze

Ribbon: Red and gold stripe

To be worn by ~~present and~~ Department Commandant upon successful completion of each elected term of office.

AND

Past Detachment Commandant Medal (Commandant John A. Lejeune)

Medal: Bronze

Ribbon: Maroon and Dark blue stripes

To be worn by ~~present and~~ Detachment Commandant upon successful completion of each elected term of office.

RATIONAL:

This is to coincide with the criteria and title of the 'Past National Commandant' award, 'Past Chief Devil Dog' award, 'Past Pack Leader' award, and 'Past Pound Keeper' award. Each of these awards are identified as "Past" meaning it is eligible for award upon successful completion of an elected term of office. This allows detachments and department the opportunity to not present this award to a [detachment or department] commandant if that person has been removed from office for cause. By revising this award to be eligible for presentation after the completion of an elected term of office is not slighting any existing detachment commandant or department commandant but is intended to create an incentive for a successful term of elected office.

Respectfully submitted,

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*MCL National Public Relations Committee
MCL National Honor Guard / Color Guard Committee*

*Past Worthy Pack Leader
Past Department Commandant
Past Detachment Commandant*