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To: National Executive Director / Chief Operating Officer, MCL
National Judge Advocate, MCL
Subj: Proposed National Administrative Procedure Amendment
Ref: Administrative Procedures **Enclosure (4)** – Medals, Ribbons, Awards, and Commendations

CURRENT WORDING:

(Excerpt from Enclosure (4), AP pages 12–13)

- 36. Kennel Dog of the Year (See MODD BYLAWS)
- 37. Chief Devil Dogs Meritorious Commendation (Individual) (See MODD BYLAWS)
- 38. Pack Dog of the Year (See MODD BYLAWS)
- 39. Pack Leaders Meritorious Commendation (Individual) (See MODD BYLAWS)
- 40. Pound Dog of the Year (See MODD BYLAWS)
- 41. Pound Keepers Meritorious Commendation (Individual) (See MODD BYLAWS)

There is currently no award entry for “Division Dog of the Year.”

PROPOSED WORDING:

Insert the following new item **immediately after item 37**, to become the new **Item 38**.

All existing items numbered 38 through the end of Enclosure (4) shall be **renumbered downward by one**.

38. Division Dog of the Year (See MODD BYLAWS)

Medal (Large/Mini): Bronze Cross on Gold and Red Ribbon

Ribbon: Gold, Red with centered “Devil Dog” device.

Awarded By: Division Dog of the Year Committee

Criteria: See Military Order of the Devil Dogs Bylaws Section 417 for more information.



JUSTIFICATION:

The Military Order of the Devil Dogs has established a Division-level Dog of the Year Award within its Bylaws. The Marine Corps League currently recognizes Pound, Pack, and Kennel Dog of the Year within Enclosure (4), but no ribbon entry exists for Division-level recognition.

Adding this award ensures consistency within the MODD award structure and alignment with all other Dog of the Year levels already listed in the Administrative Procedures.

Respectfully Submitted,



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