

2019 Nominations Hall of Fame and Distinguished Member Of the Corps Honors

2019 submission date is now 15 February 2019

Nominations are being accepted for the 2019 Chemical Corps Hall of Fame and Distinguished Member of the Corps honors.

Hall of Fame. This award is extended to Chemical personnel (living or deceased) who have spent their professional careers serving the Chemical Corps or have performed a significant act of heroism. Open to Military and Department of Defense Civilians they must have been retired from active federal service (military and / or civilian) for two years. Their service to the Corps must be extraordinary.

Distinguished Member of the Corps. This award is extended to (living or deceased) members who served the Chemical Corps in their professional lives and continue to serve it in their personal lives. Nominations are limited to either Military or Department of Defense Civilians but they must have been retired from active duty or federal service (military and / or civilian) for two years.

Note: 2019 submission date is now 15 February.

Nomination packets should be sent to:

Commandant
U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear School
Regimental Historian
ATTN: ATSN-CM-H
401 MSCoE Loop, Suite 1041
Fort Leonard Wood, MO 65473-8926

All packets must arrive before 15 February 2019. For more information, call (573) 563-7339 or e-mail christy.l.lindberg.civ@mail.mil

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CHEMICAL CORPS HALL OF FAME AND DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE CORPS

1. **PURPOSE.** The Chemical Corps Honors Program is established to maintain and enhance the legacy of the Chemical Corps and to promote cohesiveness and esprit de corps in the Chemical Corps Regiment by recognizing individuals who have served the Corps with distinction. This regulation prescribes policies and procedures for the nomination, selection, and induction of personnel into the Chemical Corps Hall of Fame (HOF) and designation of personnel for the Distinguished Members of the Corps (DMC) and for the maintenance of records pertaining to these actions.
2. **APPLICABILITY.** This regulation applies to all elements of the U.S. Army Chemical Corps and to all members of the Chemical Corps Regiment.
3. **DEFINITIONS.**

- A. **The Chemical Corps:** The Chemical Corps is the branch charged with the responsibility to protect the force and allow the Army to fight and win against a CBRN threat, develop doctrine, equipment and training for CBRN defense which serve as a deterrent to any adversary possessing weapons of mass destruction. The Corps also provides the Army with combat multipliers of smoke, obscurants and flame capabilities.
- B. **The Chemical Corps Mission:** To protect the force and allow the Army to fight and win against a CBRN threat. Develop doctrine, equipment and training for CBRN defense, which serve as a deterrent to any adversary possessing weapons of mass destruction. The Corps also provides the Army with the combat multipliers of smoke, obscurant, and flame capabilities.
- C. **Significant Contribution to the Chemical Corps:** A significant contribution is characterized by actions above and beyond normal duty performance that significantly enhance the ability of the Chemical Corps to perform its missions. This can take the form of a single significant act (Heroism) or it can be the result of a career of dedicated service marked by conspicuous performance leaving a positive impact on the Chemical Corps. Attainment of high rank does not in and of itself denote a significant contribution. An individual who has made a significant contribution will have made a difference in the legacy and capabilities of the Chemical Corps.
- D. **The Chemical Community.** The Chemical Community represents all ranks of the Chemical Corps military (both active duty, and retired) that serve or have served in the US Army Chemical Corps and Department of Defense civilian personnel, academic faculties, and civilian persons within corporations which directly support the Chemical Corps mission.
- e. **The Chemical Corps Regiment:** Any individual who has joined the Chemical Corps Regimental Association (CCRA), and those Soldiers who have affiliated with the regiment under the U.S. Army's Regimental system.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES.

- A. **The Chief of Chemical** will announce the HOF / DMC program and post the current regulations in the Chemical Review and the CBRNS web site Home Page. Star notes / e-mails / other electronic means will be sent to past living awardees asking for nominations. He / she will also forward the Board recommendation list to the Honorary Colonel and the Honorary Sergeant Major of the Chemical Corps Regiment for their review and concurrence.
- B. **The HOF and DMC Selection Board** will nominate and forward the Order of Merit List (OML) to the Chief of Chemical for approval authority for selection of inductees. He / She will confirm selection by signing the appropriate certificates.
- C. **Students in all Chemical Courses** are urged to volunteer their services to assist in the research needed to develop nominations. The Regimental Historian and Director of the U.S. Army Chemical Museum are able to assist in providing historical information on nominees. The Regimental
CSM will advise the MANSCEN Noncommissioned Officer Academy Student Courses to nominate a Senior NCO for the Distinguished Members of the Corps or a Hall of Fame package. These students should be in the second quarter or the Fiscal Year classes. Officers in the Chemical Captains Career Course during the second quarter of the FY will also nominate a senior officer for the Hall of Fame or Distinguished Members of the Corps.
- D. **The Director for the Chemical Museum and Branch Historian** will nominate one Historical Hall member annually for consideration.

E. The **Chief of Staff, Project Officer, CCRA's Vice President for Museum and Historical Affairs, and Commandant's Secretary** of USACBRNS will coordinate as appropriate and will provide all the necessary support for the ceremony to recognize the honorees.

F. CBRN School **Project Officer** or Historian will have archival responsibility to maintain records/documents pertaining to the HOF program. In mid March will review all nominations per the regulation. The CBRN School Staff will provide assistance with letters, certificates, medallions and the development of the ceremony of induction.

G. The CBRN School Project Officer / Historian will prepare the Certificate of Induction into the HOF (ANNEX A), the HOF Medallions (ANNEX B), and the DMC certificates (ANNEX C). The Branch historian or Project Officer will also be responsible for reviewing nominee packets before they are forwarded to the nomination board. (ANNEX D). Nomination package will always be controlled by the Branch Historian or Project Officer for personal security reasons. No nominee packages will be left unattended or out of sight of the board President or Project officer. Packages must be secured in a double locked facility when not being viewed by the board.

H. **U.S. Army CBRN School Staff** (as of paragraph 4 - E) will coordinate with the Installation Public Affairs Office and Chemical Review to provide assistance in promoting the Chemical Corps Honors program and publicizing inductees through all appropriate media.

I. **CCRA** support is vital to the award program. The CCRA Web site can also announce the program and post the current regulation. CCRA will be invited to have a member on the HOF / DMC board.

5. ELIGIBILITY.

a. **HOF.** Open to all individuals who have devoted a lifetime of dedicated service to the Chemical Corps and/or marked by conspicuous performance leaving a positive impact on the Chemical Corps or significant act (Heroism) while assigned to a duty position in the Chemical Corps, the Chemical Branch, a Chemical Regiment or service to the Chemical Warfare Service. A significant act of heroism, which results in death or discard from the US Army will be judged on his/her career and contributions up to that point and not restricted to additional requirements. For example: "significant act of heroism" is not restricted to KIA or length of service. KIA nominations should not be weighted the same as a "significant act of heroism" just as non-career nominees with significant act of heroism will not be penalized. This includes active Federal service as well as continuing service following retirement. To be eligible, Military and Department of Defense Civilians must have been retired from active federal service (military and / or civilian) for two years. It is open to all categories of Chemical personnel (Officer, Non Commissioned Officer, (Active and Reserve Component) and Civilian Personnel) who have reached the culmination of a distinguished career, and have made a significant contribution to the Chemical Corps.

b. **DMC.** Open to all who have devoted a lifetime of dedicated service and continue service to the Regiment by acting as volunteers in conducting the business of the regiment, service to the Corps or community following retirement. This service could take the form of anything from volunteerism to perennially holding a position within the governing body of the CCRA. This service also could take the form of involvement in working with veteran's groups or other services for the welfare of the nation. It also could be in the fact that one supports the Chief of Chemical at ceremonies, speaking engagements and other duties that appropriately support

Dragon Soldiers. Active Army military and current (non-retired) federal civilian personnel are not eligible for the program. The nominations are limited to personnel who have been retired from active federal service (military and / or civilian) for two years. They must have devoted a significant portion of his/her career to the Chemical Corps mission. The expectation is that the nominee will have served as a uniformed member of the Chemical Corps or as a Department of Defense Civilian directly engaged in support to Chemical Corps missions. The individual must have made a significant contribution to the Chemical Corps and support the Corps before and continue to support the Corps after retirement. Note: The Board will review carefully "continue service to the Corps". Second careers will be noted and weighted by the board but not at the same level as continued service to the Corps and the Army community as a whole. See Grade sheet #5 *Continuing Service after Retirement*.

6. NOMINATION PROCEDURES.

a. Nominations can be submitted by anyone at any time, but must be submitted no later than the 28th of March, to be reviewed by that year's board. The Commandant and staff will solicit nominations through placement on the USACBRNS Web site CKN, Chemical Review, MSCoE, CCRA, AKO-S, web site, Star notes and electronic means to the following:

- (1) All Active and Reserve Component Chemical General Officers.
- (2) Retired Chemical General Officers.
- (3) All living members of the HOF and DMC.
- (4) All Active and Reserve Component Chemical Colonels.
- (5) All Active and Reserve Component Chemical Battalion Commanders, MACOM Chemical Officers, and Division Chemical Officers.
- (6) All Active and Reserve Component Chemical Command Sergeants Major and Sergeants Major.
- (7) Retired Chemical Colonels, Command Sergeants Major and Sergeants Major.
- (8) Members of the Senior Executive Service holding Chemical community positions (e.g., the Deputy Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Chemical Matters).
- (9) CCRA Chairman (HCoS), Vice Chairman (HSMGOC), and CCRA President.

b. Nominations should contain as much of the biographical data as shown in ANNEX D, including a narrative description of the nominee's significant contributions to the Chemical Corps and a photograph of the individual. The Command Historian, Project Officer or CCRA, or the Director of the Chemical Museum may be able to provide research assistance to complete nomination packets before they are presented to the selection board. Nominees' packets for either HOF/DMC may include a copy of the individuals DD 214 and supporting documentation but will still require a detailed narrative description upon submission to be considered. Nominees who have significant act of (Heroism) should provide accounts and narratives of the event.

c. Any person can nominate an individual for each award (HOF / DMC).

d. Each nomination or letter or support package will be acknowledged by the Historian or the HOF/DMC Project Officer to the originator.

e. The HOF/DMC Project Officer or Historian will review nomination packets and provide helpful suggestions to insure success. Nominations which appear to be complete or have the minimum requirements will be forwarded to the board. Incomplete nominations may be returned for further

research or stored in the archives until all the information, is available. If required information does not make the deline requirements, it will be forward to the following year's board.

7. **SELECTION.** Each year the Chief of Chemical will nominate a single selection board to review and recommend nominees for both the HOF and DMC. The selection board will be composed of Senior Leaders who have served in positions of major responsibility involving Chemical functions. The board will usually consist of three to five members. The senior active duty officer of the board will be the President of the Board. No more than one third of the board can be individuals who served on the previous year's board. A concerted effort will be made to ensure that board membership includes minorities, NCO's, Officers and CCRA members.

a. Letters and special instructions will be forwarded to each nominee requesting service on the board. Nominees will accept or decline by notifying the HOF/DMC Project Officer of the Historian

B. The HOF/DMC Project Officer or Historian will provide each board member administrative instructions approximately two weeks prior to the meeting. Board members will not be given copies of the nomination packets before the board date to prevent any outside discussion.

c. The selection board will convene in mid March of each year at a location designated by the Chief of Chemical to review nominees and recommend the current year's inductees into the HOF and the DMC. The selection board will be provided a package of nominees for the HOF and nominees for the DMC.

D. The HOF/DMC Project Officer or Historian and a designated recorder will serve as the non-voting administrative staff for the board. Project officer or Historian will present the Board President the nominee's packages. He/she will coordinate the date and time of the board and inform the board nominees of their selection as a board member. Appointed recorder supports the Board President by recording the minutes and development of the OML, which will be signed by the President of the Board before it past to the Commandant and reviewed by Honorary COL and SMG of the Regiment.

e. Nominations initially considered by the selection board but not selected will be retained and submitted for automatic reconsideration for the next two years.

f. If, after the third consideration, the nominated individual is not selected, the nomination will be permanently retired. If re-nominated during retirement and additional documentation is provided, the board may decide to bring the nomination for a vote.

g. The selection board's final recommendations will be submitted to the Commandant so he/she may submit the list to the RCSM and the Honorary Colonel and Honorary Sergeant Major of the Chemical Corps Regiment for their review. They may make their suggestions to the Chief of Chemical for use as he/she sees fit. The Chief of Chemical retains final approval authority and is under no obligation to accept. Selections will be announced to the public NLT 15th of May. Nominees will be informed NLT 30 April.

8. **INDUCTION.**

a. Each person selected for induction, or the next of kin if the selectee is deceased, will be notified of the selection in writing and formally invited to attend the induction ceremony by a Commandant's Star Note. Project Officer or Historian will coordinate with the Protocol Office for assistance in coordinate billeting and travel for each selectee and one immediate family member (total of two) or the immediate family member if the selectee is deceased.

b. Persons are inducted into the HOF and DMC for life. Upon selection, the DMC picture (if available) and short biography will be placed on the Commandant's hallway. Each nominee will have a photograph and date placed on the wall in the Sibert Wing of Thurman Hall for a period of time determined by space availability and usage requirements. If there is no additional wall space, the awardees picture will be retired and the name and date of induction will be placed on a HOF / DMC plaque in the Sibert Wing, USACBRNS. An individual need not have been a DMC to be considered for the HOF. If a DMC dies, that person can be nominated for HOF consideration. DMC can also be nominated into the HOF after two years in the DMC. When a DMC is inducted into the HOF, their picture will be moved to the HOF wall and their name and date of induction (DMC) placed on the DMC plaque in the Sibert Wing Hall of Thurman Hall.

c. Each individual selected for the HOF will be honored by a display in Sibert Wing of Thurman Hall containing the name, photograph, and narrative of their major accomplishments. If there is no additional wall space, the awardees picture will be retired and the name and date of induction will be placed on a HOF / DMC plaque in the Sibert Wing, USACBRNS

d. Official announcement of the selectees will be made at the induction ceremony. A Certificate of Induction for the HOF and Designation Certificate for the DMC will be presented to the inductee, next of kin, or a designated representative at the ceremony. Each inductee to the HOF will be presented a HOF medallion and a certificate. Each designee to the DMC will receive a certificate.

9. SUBMISSION: Forward a packet of the nominee containing the information listed in Annex D to Commandant, U.S. Army CBRN School, ATTN: ATSN-CM, Historian, at Fort Leonard Wood 654738926. Packet must arrive no later than the 15th of February.

10. REFERENCES.

- a. Army Regulation 600-82, the U.S. Army Regimental System.
- b. Army Regulation 870-5, Military History: Responsibilities, Policies, and Procedures.
- c. Army Regulation 870-20, Museums and Historical Artifacts.

Note: Packages will not be forward to the board unless they include the following information, nomination letter, and 8 X 10 Black and White photo and biographical information form. Retired Military can provide their DD 214 or the forms in Annex D while Civilians can submit a historical resume or any additional background information to the board. Nominees' who have significant act (Heroism) should provide accounts and narratives of the event. All SSN and private information should be deleted or marked over. Supporting documentation should not be classified without permission. Packages will all be stored in the USACBRNS classified vault facility until the day of the board.

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

COMPLETE ADDRESS and PHONE NUMBER: (Spouse/next of kin address, if deceased / POC)

1. NAME: First, Middle, Last

RANK/GRADE: (If applicable)

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH

DATE DECEASED: (If applicable)

PRESENT DUTY POSITION/OCCUPATION: (If applicable)

PUBLICATIONS/CONTRIBUTIONS TO PERIODICALS: (If applicable and relevant; include dates)

SIGNIFICANT CITATIONS AND AWARDS: (Military and civilian)

SIGNIFICANT ASSIGNMENTS/DUTY POSITIONS: (Include dates)

EDUCATION: (Military and civilian; include periods of attendance and degrees earned)

LIST OF POSSIBLE SOURCES OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE NOMINEE:

MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE U.S. ARMY CHEMICAL CORPS (Encl 1)

2. **Nomination Letter** should List significant contributions with detailed explanations

3. **8 X 10 Black & White Portrait Photograph** (Encl 2)

4. Retirement records, DD 214 or the forms Annex D should be included if possible. All SSN and private information should be deleted or marked over.

NOTE: The above information is looked favorable by the Board when it is complete. When submitting a nomination package insure it looks professional and it meets all the nomination criteria. All Nomination packages will be secure in the USACBRNS Vault for security reasons until they are seen by the board. Once the board is done they will be return to the secure vault.