

**June 14, 2014, Supplement to**  
**The Military Awards of the Empire State**  
**By Paul H. Till on 11 August 1989**

**(Includes all State Awards Implemented Since 12 August 1989)**  
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The goal of the New York State Military Awards Program is to provide recognition to individuals for acts of valor and exceptional accomplishments, as well as long and faithful service. The former Military Regulation 26, and today's DMNA Regulation 672-1, State Military Awards, provides the award criteria and the method of recommending and issuing each of these awards.

Mr. Paul H. Till, a military historian, prepared "The Military Awards of the Empire State", an historical accounting of all state military awards of the past and present, and provided this to The Adjutant General in 1989. Since 1989, there have been additional awards adopted and others revised, with the approval of The Adjutant General. This is a supplement to Mr. Till's historical account, for the period 1989 through 2014.

I am able to provide this information because of my direct involvement with the State Military Awards programs from 1985 through 2014. I served as the New York Army National Guard (NYARNG) Personnel Services Branch, from early 1985 through June of 1999, followed by a combination of two assignments from July 1999 through May 2004, the first as Command Chief Warrant Officer and the second as Chief, Administrative Branch.

During the period 1988 through 2001, the Adjutant General delegated the authority for the supervision of the State Military Awards Program, for all components of the New York State Organized Militia, to the Director of Military Personnel, NYARNG. I was delegated oversight responsibility by the Director, Military Personnel, for the State Military Awards and Decorations Program, to include the supervision of the State Awards Administrator and staff, from 1988 through 2001. In addition, I also served as the Army National Guard representative on the joint Adjutant General Military Awards Board, from 1988 through May 2004. I remained an advisor to the State Military Awards administrator, from 2001 through 2004 as an AGR Soldier, and from 2005 through 2014, as a civilian human resources contractor, continuing to work for the Director, Military Personnel, New York Army National Guard.

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The following medals, ribbons, and other types of awards were adopted either through state law or the authority of The Adjutant General, State of New York. All have been incorporated into DMNA Regulation 672-1, State Military Awards, each with a procedure providing award criteria and the action required to either request or recommend New York State Organized Militia members, for each of them. These changes and additions were accomplished with my input, with the action of the State Military Awards Section supervisor, and in coordination with each Major Component of the Organized Militia, and The Adjutant General Military Awards Board.

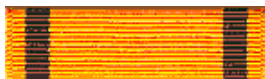
## NEW YORK STATE MILITARY AWARDS

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1991: **Desert Storm Service Medal.** This medal was awarded to New York State Organized Militia members who served on federal active duty in the Persian Gulf, in support of Operation Desert Shield/Storm from August 1990 through June 1991. Eligible members would have received the Kuwait Liberation Medal given by the government of Kuwait. An administrative issue of this award was accomplished during late 1991 in coordination with the State Military Awards section, to all organized militia members who met award criteria. See Procedure 2-6, DMNA Regulation 672-1.



1992: **Physical Fitness Ribbon.** This ribbon was adopted to provide an incentive for members of the Army and Air National Guard, and members of the New York Guard, who score 290 or above on or after 1 October 1992, while taking the Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT), or, 96 or above on or after 9 April 2004, while taking the NYANG Physical Fitness Assessment. Members are not authorized this award if they are “exempt” on any portion of the test or assessment. Award stock was provided to each component of the organized militia, and issued by them after a screening of test results. See Procedure 2-20, DMNA Regulation 672-1.



1994: **Counterdrug Service Ribbon.** This ribbon may be awarded to any member of the organized militia who is ordered to duty in support of a New York National Guard Counterdrug mission for 30 cumulative days in one fiscal year. Additionally, any member serving less than 30 days but who has significantly impacted the Counterdrug program by providing administrative, technical or other noteworthy support that furthers the program’s mission. Service must be in direct support of the New York National Guard Counterdrug program and deemed an authorized counterdrug mission. See Procedure 2-15, DMNA Regulation 672-1.



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1998: **Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC)**. This medal was established by State Legislation in 1920. The “veteran” award was established to New York State citizens, who while serving on federal active duty (U.S. Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps) other than for training, whose entire service was honorable, received one or more of the decorations (individual awards) listed in the procedure criteria, for valor, meritorious service, distinguished service, or have been wounded and received the purple heart. See Procedure 2-8, DMNA Regulation 672-1. In 1998, it was recognized that during the period 1988 through 1997, too many awards were added to the criteria for the Conspicuous Service Cross that were requested by veterans, legislative representatives, etc. that should have not been added. After receiving numerous complaints by veterans who received the award for the original, pre 1988 criteria, The Adjutant General decided, after several years of consideration, that the 25 awards that had been added should be removed from the criteria for the CSC. Those 25 awards would now be awarded for a new veteran’s award, the Medal for Merit. **See NYS Military Award Overview, Concerning the Recognition of Veterans Who Served on Federal Active Duty from 1990 through 2014, dated 12 June 2014, providing detailed information concerning the process and decision.**



1998: **Medal for Merit (MM)**. This medal was established by The Adjutant General, to recognize New York State citizens, who while serving on federal active duty (U.S. Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps) other than for training, whose entire service was honorable, received one or more of the decorations (individual awards) listed in the procedure criteria, for valor, meritorious service, or distinguished service. See Procedure 2-9, DMNA Regulation 672-1. The twenty five awards previously included in the criteria for the Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC) (see above) were now listed in the new procedure in DMNA Regulation 672-1, State Military Awards, as qualifying awards for the MM. Over the years, 12 additional qualifying awards were added, for a total of 37 by 2014, and are listed below. A veteran, family member, veteran agency official, or legislative representative, may request this award. **See NYS Military Award Overview, dated 12 June 2014, enclosed.** Qualifying awards are:

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### **Medal for Merit continued.**

Joint Service Commendation Medal  
Army Commendation Medal  
Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medal  
Air Force Commendation Medal  
Coast Guard Commendation Medal  
Aerial Achievement Medal  
Joint Service Achievement Medal  
Army Achievement Medal  
Navy-Marine Corps Achievement Medal  
Air Force Achievement Medal  
Coast Guard Achievement Medal  
Gold Lifesaving Medal  
Silver Lifesaving Medal  
American Campaign Medal  
Asiatic-Pacific Medal  
European-African-Middle-Eastern Campaign Medal  
Korean Service Medal  
Vietnam Service Medal  
Southwest Asia Service Medal  
Combat Action Ribbon  
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal  
Armed Forces Service Medal  
Combat Infantryman Badge  
Combat Medical Badge  
Navy Submarine Combat Patrol Insignia  
Mariner's Medal (Merchant Marine in WW II)  
Merchant Marine Combat Bar (WW II)  
Kosovo Service Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal  
Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal  
Navy Expeditionary Medal  
Iraq Campaign Medal  
Afghanistan Campaign Medal  
Combat Action Badge  
Army of Occupation Medal  
Navy Occupation Service Medal  
Korean Defense Service Medal

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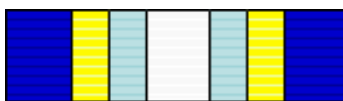
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1998: **Conspicuous Service Star (CSS).** The New York State legislature established this award. The CSS is awarded to any current New York State citizen or person who was a New York State citizen while serving on federal active duty and whose entire service was honorable and who were recipients of unit commendations arising from combat while serving in the United States Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard. The award is based on the prior receipt of one or more of the listed unit commendations in the procedures criteria, DMNA Regulation 672-1, State Military Awards. A veteran, family member, veteran agency official, or legislative representative may request this award. See Procedure 2-10, DMNA Regulation 672-1.



1999. **Guard Help Ribbon.** This ribbon was created to be awarded to individuals of the New York State Organized Militia who performed in any status in support of local or state governments, communities, and organizations identified by The Adjutant General, as an authorized "Guard Help" program, between 1 October 1999 through 31 December 2009. This ribbon was not authorized to be awarded in conjunction with missions for which the New York State Aid to Civil Authority Medal or the Medal for Humane Service to New York State was authorized. See Procedure 2-11, DMNA Regulation 672-1.



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2002. **Defense of Liberty.** Approximately two weeks after the attack on the World Trade Center, I submitted a proposal for the issue of a campaign medal to all New York Organized Militia members who performed homeland defense duty in any status in response to an order by the Governor, to the Director, Military Personnel for consideration. He submitted the draft procedure and design for consideration and comment by all major components of the organized militia. After many meetings and consideration by The Adjutant General Military Awards Board, the final proposal including medal and ribbon design, and procedure was sent to The Adjutant General for approval during late 2001. In coordination with the State Military Awards Branch for Award Stock purchase, approval was received during early 2002 with an administrative issue accomplished through the Army Administrative Branch, to all component members. Details are provided below from Procedure 2-7, DMNA Regulation 672-1.

To whom awarded. The Defense of Liberty Medal is a Campaign Medal which may be awarded to members of the New York State Organized Militia who performed homeland defense duty in any status in response to an order by the Governor. This medal may also be awarded to civilians who worked in support of the New York State Organized Militia and are deemed appropriate by The Adjutant General. See DMNA Regulation 672-1, for specific guidance.

Award Period and Duty Location: The Defense of Liberty Medal will be awarded for homeland defense missions during the period of 11 September 2001 through a future date to be determined. This includes duty at Ground Zero and in any other location in the state where homeland defense missions were performed.

Award Composition: Individuals performing a minimum of seven days duty in the borough of Manhattan, New York will receive the World Trade Center Device (WTC) from 11 Sep 01 through 28 Jun 02. The seven duty days for qualification are not required to be consecutive and may be waived in selected instances. The request for by GOCOM Commanders is subject to approval by The Adjutant General. Militia members or civilians must perform a minimum of seven days Homeland Defense Duty in any status, within the borders of New York State, to receive the DOL without the WTC device, during the period 29 June 2002 to a date TBD.

Award Recognition: The Duty in Aid to Civil Authority Medal and/or Medal for Humane Service to New York State will not be issued in conjunction with this *one time* medal.



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2004: **Outstanding Enlisted Leader of the Year Ribbon.** This ribbon was established on 1 July 2004, and is retroactive to 1 January 1994, to recognize selected members of the NYARNG and NYANG. NYARNG Soldiers who are selected as the New York State Outstanding Soldier, Non Commissioned Officer (NCO), or First Sergeant of the Year are eligible. NYANG Airmen who are selected as the New York State Outstanding Airman, First Sergeant, NCO, or Senior NCO are eligible. See Procedure 2-12, DMNA Regulation 672-1, State Military Awards, for award recommendation guidance.



*\*The following service ribbons were implemented to recognize returning organized militia members from deployment. Their implementation allowed for the Conspicuous Service Cross and Medal for Merit to be returned to their original intent as “veteran awards”. See enclosed New York State Military Award Overview, Concerning the Recognition of Veterans Who Served on Federal Active Duty from 1990 through 2014, dated 12 June 2014.*

2011: **Operation Enduring Freedom Service Ribbon.** This service ribbon will be awarded to members of the New York State organized militia who perform Title 10, federal active duty, while deployed in direct support of OEF, on or after 11 September 2001 to a date to be determined or the cessation of OEF. Request guidance and other administrative guidance is contained in Procedure 2-28, DMNA Regulation 672-1, State Military Awards.



2011: **Operation Iraqi Freedom Service Ribbon.** This service ribbon will be awarded to members of the New York State Organized Militia who performs Title 10 federal active duty while deployed in direct support of OIF on or after 19 March 2003 through 31 August 2010. Request guidance and other administrative guidance is contained in Procedure, 2-29, DMNA Regulation 672-1, State Military Awards.



2011: **Operation New Dawn Service Ribbon.** This service ribbon will be awarded to members of the New York State Organized Militia who perform Title 10, federal active duty, while deployed in direct support of Operation New Dawn in Iraq, on or after 1 September 2010 to 15 December 2011. Request guidance and other administrative guidance is contained in Procedure, 2-30, DMNA Regulation 672-1, State Military Awards.





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The Adjutant General tasked the Director, Military Personnel, with creating two new awards to recognize Company and Field Grade Officers during early 2012. I was tasked by the Director, to create a proposal for these awards. After several discussions with the Director, we decided to propose awards to honor to former Governors of New York State, and Presidents, Franklin D. Roosevelt and Theodore Roosevelt. After the submission of draft procedures and award composition recommendations, the Adjutant General approved the awards. The State Military Awards Branch finalized the addition of the award procedures to DMNA Regulation 672-1, and secured the funding for the awards. The awards are described as follows.

**2012: President Franklin D. Roosevelt Field Grade Leadership Award.** This award was created at the request of The Adjutant General to recognize field grade officers (04/05) of the New York Army and Air National Guard, who exemplify the leadership traits of former President of the United States and Governor of New York, Franklin D. Roosevelt, and as a result have had a positive effect on their service component and the military forces of New York State. Minimum standards are:

(1) Must have been an active member of an organized militia unit during the year of consideration, 1 January through 31 December.

(2) Must have attended all scheduled IDT assemblies and annual training periods.

(3) Must meet the physical fitness and height and weight standards of each service components prescribed directive.

(4) Must have demonstrated leadership and improved readiness which made a significant contribution to the unit, service component and/or New York State Organized Militia.

(5) Must be technically and tactically competent.

Additional information and specific recommendation guidance is contained within DMNA Reg 672-1. State Military Awards.



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#### **2012: President Theodore Roosevelt Company Grade/Warrant Officer Leadership Award.**

Awarded to members, as indicated below, of the NYARNG and NYANG, who exemplify the leadership traits exhibited by former President of the United States and Governor of New York, Theodore Roosevelt.

(1) Company Grade Officers (O2/O3). Acknowledges the one Army and Air company grade officer who best exemplifies the leadership traits of President Theodore Roosevelt and as a result have had a positive effect on the overall readiness of their organizations and their service component.

(2) Warrant Officers (W2-W5). Acknowledges the one Army warrant officer who best exemplifies the leadership traits of President Theodore Roosevelt and as a result of their leadership and technical skills have had a positive effect on the overall readiness of their organizations and their service components.

**Eligibility.** All Company Grade and Warrant Officers that are members of the NYARNG and NYANG, in the grades indicated in a. above, are eligible to be nominated for this award. Awards will be given once per training year.

#### **Minimum standards.**

(1) Must have been an active member of an organized militia unit during the training year of consideration (1 October through 30 September).

(2) Must have attended all scheduled IDT assemblies and annual training periods.

(3) Must meet the physical fitness and height and weight standards of each major component's prescribed directive.

(4) Must have demonstrated leadership and improved readiness which made a significant contribution to the unit, service component and/or New York State Organized Militia.

(5) Must be technically and tactically competent.

#### **Specific Selection criteria.**

(1) Leadership. The nominee must have displayed exemplary leadership beyond that expected of the position and grade to which assigned. Must have always set the example concerning the ideals of Duty, Honor, and Country.

(2) Values. The nominee must be committed to the values of loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, integrity, and personal courage.

(3) Citizenship: The nominee must set the example, by exemplifying the rights, privileges, duties and character of an individual viewed as a member of society.

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**(4) Perseverance.** The Militia member must have exhibited the character trait of always being focused on and pushing forward toward individual and command mission success. The nominee must meet the principal, that, “It is hard to fail, but it is worse to have never tried to succeed” as the foundation for this award.



#### Enclosures:

1. New York State Military Award Overview  
Concerning the Recognition of Veterans Who Served  
On Federal Active Duty from 1990 through 2014,  
Prepared by CW5(Ret) Amoroso, 12 June 2014
2. NYS Military Award Implementation Dates and Authority

**New York State Military Award Overview**  
**Concerning the**  
**Recognition of Veterans Who Served**  
**On Federal Active Duty**  
**From 1990 through 2014**

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**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this overview is to provide information concerning the management, administration, and composition of the three authorized New York State veterans awards, the Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC), the Medal for Merit (MM), and the Conspicuous Service Star (CSS).

**BACKGROUND:** I served as the Chief, Personnel Services Branch, from early 1985 through June of 1999, followed by a combination of two simultaneous assignments, the first Chief, Administrative Branch and the second State Command Chief Warrant Officer, from July 1999 through May 2004. I was delegated direct responsibility for the oversight of the State Military Awards and Decorations Program, to include the supervision of the State Awards Administrator and staff, from 1988 through 2001. I also served on the joint Adjutant General Military Awards Board, as the Army National Guard representative, from 1988 through May 2004. It should be noted that because of my many years experience with state military awards, I remained in an advisory capacity to the section from 2001 through 2014.

**ACTIVITY:** During the period 1988 through 1997, primarily because of the aging population of World War II veterans, state legislative representatives, veteran family representatives, and veterans themselves, were submitting a record number of applications for the New York State Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC), to honor their service. In addition, state legislative representatives were working to add a unit type veteran award, and submitting numerous requests to add individual federal awards to the long established listing of qualifying awards for the CSC. The result was:

## **Veterans Awards Overview.**

**a. Additional Qualifying Awards:** Legislative representatives, veterans groups, and individual veterans sent a steady stream of requests to the Adjutant General to add more qualifying individual federal awards to the original list of 22 awards. The Adjutant General tasked the Adjutant General Military Awards Board with reviewing each request and making a recommendation for approval or disapproval. Despite the board disapproving many that were requested, the end result by 1995, was the expansion of the list of qualifying awards for the CSC, by approximately 25 additional awards.

**b. Backlog:** Due to the volume of requests versus the state assets allocated, an unacceptable backlog was experienced. This backlog gradually accelerated as the additional qualifying awards were added expanding it from approximately 6 months to a year and half at the end of 1995.

**c. Complaints:** It was at this point we began to gradually receive a number of complaints from veterans who had received the CSC under the original more stringent criteria, and in some cases, through the same legislative representatives that had requested additional qualifying awards, that the Adjutant General had cheapened the CSC. In addition, numerous complaints were being received due to the unmanageable backlog. The board discussed a variety of solutions for several years.

**d. Solution:** The catalyst for a solution, was the state legislature approving the adoption of the Conspicuous Service Star (CSS), an award authorized to be presented to veterans who were members of a unit receiving a unit commendation. This required the board to approve the design and procedure for this new award. Additionally, it was recognized that this would further expand the already unacceptable workload so this became an additional incentive for a solution to the CSC issue. The following occurred.

(1) **CSS.** I provided the board several proposed medal and ribbon designs. After several meetings the draft design and procedure finalized and circulated for approval by all major components of the militia. After being finalized, the CSS proposal was sent to the Adjutant General who approved the procedure and the design. It was then put in the hands of the State Awards Administrator for purchasing and implementation.

## **Veterans Awards Overview.**

(2) **Solution to the CSC Criteria Issue:** I next presented a possible solution to the Adjutant General Military Awards Board for consideration, but after the board reviewed and rejected at least ten other proposals from each component of the State Militia. The recommendation I made was:

(a) Create a new individual State Military Award for Veterans. Utilize the 25 qualifying awards that had been added to the CSC, as the qualifying awards for this new veteran award. My logic was that we had given the CSC for these awards for years, therefore if we were going to make this significant change removing a portion of them, we needed to ensure that future veterans who had received recognition for these awards, would be eligible for something also. If we did not complaints would continue, only in a different type.

(b) Medal for Merit (MM). The new award proposal concept I proposed was agreed upon. I provided the board several proposed award titles, and medal/ribbon designs. After several meetings the design and procedure draft was finalized and forwarded to the TAG, who approved the new award criteria, the procedure and the design. This new approach fortunately served to return the CSC criteria to its previous format, while providing recognition for the awards removed from the CSC criteria, and after some growing pains reduced backlogs and complaints with the veteran award program..

**e. Issue of the CSC and MM for Awards Earned During Afghanistan and Iraqi War Service.** The veteran award program was stable with backlogs subsiding, until 2003. The deployment of New York Militia members to active duty created another opportunity for militia members to earn individual awards in combat. I met with our MILPO, and recognizing that when our members began to return from active duty the TAG would want to grant some type of state recognition. I explained that in past wars, service ribbons had been used for this type of state recognition and in fact provided a possible design, procedures, etc. The cost was minimal and there would be no negative impact on the issue of veteran's awards. Unfortunately what occurred next created the biggest problem in veteran award history.

(1) Decision. After several months of the MILPO's proposal for the new service ribbon being considered, this approach was not approved. The idea was proposed that the TAG could use the CSC and the MM which were already established. During several meetings I made the point that:

## **Veteran Award Overview.**

(a) The CSC and MM were veteran awards, which should be issued at the end of a militia member's career. They were not traditional awards given for specific achievements, service, valor, etc. but awards given for the receipt of awards of that type. I explained that it was expected that Soldiers would deploy more than once which would significantly increase manpower and medal funding requirements. I also pointed out that applications for veterans, of WW II, Korea, and Vietnam in particular, would become further backlogged by diverting limited assets to the requirement to issue thousands of CSC and MM awards who deployed, in many cases multiple times. The cost of the awards stock which involved medal sets, ribbons, and certificates would be prohibitive.

(b) Program Status from 2003 through 2010. Unfortunately a former Army Advisor who worked for the TAG as an advisor, convinced him that the issue the veteran awards was the way to go. The state awards section soon became mired in never before experienced backlogs. Meeting Yellow Ribbon Ceremony requirements with certificates and medal sets was a continual crisis in the section. The result was a significant reduction in response time to all discharged veterans applying. The question was asked by numerous representatives of veterans groups as to why still serving members of the NY Militia were receiving these awards, and why was it adversely impacting on the awards for discharged and retired members.

(c) Service Ribbons. During 2009 the adverse impact of this flawed decision to use veteran awards was becoming more and more serious. After an intense discussion during an Adjutant General Military Awards Board, I brought this issue up to our MILPO, and offered to resurrect my service ribbon proposal from 2003. He agreed, but requested that instead of a single all encompassing ribbon, that I design one for service in Iraq, Afghanistan, and Enduring Freedom. I put together three ribbon designs, and draft procedures and after staffing and comment by all major components of the state militia, and approval by the Adjutant General Military Awards Board, I prepared a DMNA 1077 for consideration by the Adjutant General. Approval was received by the TAG for implementation a few weeks later.

(1) Implementation. A letter was drafted and signed by the TAG and placed in distribution announcing the use of the new service ribbons and the return of the CSC and MM to their veteran awards status. The letter stated that all CSC and MM would be issued along with the CSS, to all only after discharge or retirement. The individual ribbons would be retroactive to the beginning of each conflict to ensure that all Militia members could receive them.

## **Veteran Award Overview.**

(2) Result from 2010 through 2014. The end result was a proper return of the CSC and MM to their status as veteran awards. The issue of service ribbons cost was minimal, and due to the use of an automated certificate for issue and file in each militia members record, administrative requirements were easily met. The backlogs within the State Military Awards Branch have normalized with response time to discharged veterans meeting standards.



	<b><u>NYS MILITARY AWARD IMPLEMENTATION DATES AND AUTHORITY</u></b>	
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>NEW YORK STATE MILITARY AWARD</b>	<b>AUTHORITY</b>
1865	<b>NY Civil War Plaque and NY Civil War Medal</b>	NYL 1865
1875	<b>Small Arms Practice Badge – Type 1</b>	NYAGO
1879	<b>Veteran Marksman Badge</b>	NYAGO
1888	<b>Ambulance Corps Badge</b>	NYAGO
1893	<b>New York Gettysburg Veteran Medal</b>	NY Mon Com
1894	<b>Medal for Valor</b>	Gen Order No. 10 NYAG
1894	<b>Long and Faithful Service (10, 15,20,25)</b>	Gen Order No. 10 NYAG
1902	<b>General Slocum Statue Dedication Badge</b>	NY Mon Com
1907	<b>General Greene Statue Dedication Badge</b>	NY Mon Com
1913	<b>Spanish American War Service Medal Spanish, Phillippe, China Campaigns Service Medal</b>	NYL 1913 c 165
1913	<b>Gettysburg 50th Anniversary Veteran Badge Gettysburg 50th Anniversary Master at Arms Badge</b>	NY Mon Com
1914	<b>Andersonville Prison Survivors Medal</b>	NY Mon Com
1914	<b>General Wadsworth Statue Dedication Badge</b>	NY Mon Com
1915	<b>General Webb Statue Dedication Badge</b>	NY Mon Com
1917	<b>General Doubleday Statue Dedication Badge General Robinson Statue Dedication Badge</b>	NY Com
1919	<b>World War Service Medal</b>	NYL 1919 c 122
1919	<b>Mexican Border Service Medal</b>	NYL 1919 c 204

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<b>YEAR</b>	<b>AWARD</b>	<b>AUTHORITY</b>
1920	<b>Conspicuous Service Cross</b>	NYL 1919 c 219
1920	<b>Aqueduct Guard Service Medal</b>	NYL 1920 c 672
1920	<b>Decoration for Long &amp; Faithful Service</b> (format )	Ch No. 35 NY Reg NYAGO
1920	<b>Antietam Monument Dedication Badge</b>	NY Mon Com
1922	<b>Aqueduct Guard Service Medal</b> Criteria change, reducing length of svc from 30 to 10 days, and added devices.	NYL 1922 c 149
1922	<b>Duty in Aid to Civil Authority Medal</b>	Gen Ord No. 20 NYAGO
1925	<b>Gettysburg Auxiliary Monument Dedication Badge</b>	NY Mon Com
1928	<b>Decoration for Long and Faithful Service</b> Added 35 year award.	Ch No. 10 NY Reg NYAGO
1945	World War II Service Emblems and Citations	NYL 1945 c 580
1946	<b>Conspicuous Service Cross</b> Criteria change. Added the Purple Heart to Eligibility.	NYL 1946 c 967
1953	<b>Conspicuous Service Medal</b>	Gen Ord No. 27 NYDMNA
1964	<b>Military Commendation Medal</b>	NY Reg MR-26 (1964) NYDMNA
1964	<b>Long and Faithful Service Medal</b> Changed name from decoration for Long & Faithful Service, and added clasps for 30, 35, 40, 45 years.	NY Reg MR-26 (1964) NYDMNA
1964	<b>State Recruiting Medal</b>	NY Reg MR-26 (1964) NYDMNAQ
1964	<b>Colonel Gouverneur Morris Citizen/Soldier Award.</b> (Exact implementation date unknown)	NY Reg MR-26 (1964) NYDMNA
1964	<b>The Adjutant General's Award</b> (Exact implementation date unknown)	NY Reg MR 26 (1964) NYDMNA
1964	<b>Certificate of Achievement</b>	NY Reg MR 26 (1964) NYDMNA

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<b>YEAR</b>	<b>AWARD</b>	<b>AUTHORITY</b>
1967	<b>New York Naval Militia Medal</b>	Change 1, NY Reg MR-26 (1964) NYDMNA
1969	<b>Conspicuous Service Cross</b> Order of Precedence changed from 2nd to 5th	NY Reg MR-26 (1969) NYDMNA
1969	<b>New York Naval Militia Medal</b> (Discontinued)	NY Reg MR-26 (1969) NYDMNA
1973	<b>Military Commendation Medal</b> Criteria revised	NY Reg MR-26 (1973) NYDMNA
1973	<b>Long and Faithful Service Medal</b> Added the 10 & 15 year medals	NY Reg MR-26 (1973) NYDMNA
1974	<b>Long and Faithful Service Medal</b> Added the 5 year medal	Ch 1 NY Reg MR-26 (1973) NYDMNA
1974	<b>Non Commission Officer Graduate Badge</b>	Ch 1 NY Reg MR-26 (1973) NYDMNA
1979	<b>Medal for Humane Service to New York State</b>	Ch 1 NY Reg MR-26 DMNA (1973) NYDMNA
1980	<b>Medal for Military Support of the 1980 Winter Olympics</b>	Ch 2 NY Reg MR-26 DMNA (1973) NYDMNA
1981	<b>Medal for Meritorious Service</b>	NY Reg MR-26 (1981) NYDMNA
1982	<b>Exercise Support Ribbon</b>	Ch 1 Reg MR-26 (1981) NYDMNA
1985	<b>Long and Faithful Service Decoration</b> New Medal design, for 30, 35, and 40 years svc.	NY Reg MR-26 (1985) NYDMNA
1985	<b>DMNA Certificate of Commendation, Achievement, and Appreciation</b>	NY Reg MR-26 (1985) NYDMNA
1988	<b>Long and Faithful Service Decoration</b> Changed format of all awards, eliminating suspension ribbons, including a ribbon for 1st (5 years) and a medal set for 2nd (10 years) with additional shield devices for the remainder to 40 years.	DMNA Reg 672-1, 1988
1991	<b>Desert Storm Service Medal</b>	Ch 1, DMNA Reg 672-1, 1988
1992	<b>Physical Fitness Ribbon</b>	Ch 2, DMNA Reg 672-1, 1988
1994	<b>Counterdrug Service Ribbon</b>	Ch 3, DMNA Reg 672-1, 1988
1998	<b>Conspicuous Service Cross</b> revision Revised criteria, removing selected awards that had been added since 1969, moving them to become criteria for the new Medal for Merit.	DMNA Reg 672-1, 1998

**NYS MILITARY AWARD IMPLEMENTATION DATES AND AUTHORITY**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>AWARD</b>	<b>AUTHORITY</b>
1998	<b>Medal for Merit</b> Created new veteran award with input from all major components of the NY Militia and approval of the Adjutant General.	DMNA Reg 672-1, 1998
1998	<b>Conspicuous Service Star</b> This unit award was established by Senate Bill 6393-A, Amending NYS Law 247	DMNA Reg 672-1, 1998
1999	<b>Guard Help Ribbon</b>	Ch 1, DMNA Reg 672-1, 1998
2002	<b>Defense of Liberty</b> Created to recognize all Soldiers of the NYS Organized Militia who participated and responded to the 911 attack, and related future homeland security operations.	Ch 2, DMNA Reg 672-1, 1998
2004	<b>Outstanding Enlisted Leader of the Year Ribbon</b>	Ch 3, DMNA Reg 672-1, 1998
2008	<b>New York Guard Achievement Medal</b> (Cancelled NYS regulation moving award)	DMNA Reg 672-1, 2008
2008	<b>New York Guard Good Conduct Medal</b> (Cancelled NYS regulation moving award)	DMNA Reg 672-1, 2008
2008	<b>New York Guard Commander's Citation Ribbon</b> (Cancelled NYS regulation moving award)	DMNA Reg 672-1, 2008
2008	<b>New York Guard Service Ribbon</b> (Cancelled NYS regulation moving award)	DMNA Reg 672-1, 2008
2008	<b>New York Guard Distinguished Graduate Rbn</b> (Cancelled NYS regulation moving award)	DMNA Reg 672-1, 2008
2011	<b>Operation Enduring Freedom Service Ribbon</b> Created to honor Soldiers returning from deployment in Afghanistan & qualifying areas.	DMNA Reg 672-1, 2011
2011	<b>Operation Iraqi Freedom Service Ribbon</b> Created to honor Soldiers returning from deployment to Iraq.	DMNA Reg 672-1, 2011
2011	<b>Operation New Dawn Service Ribbon</b> Created to honor Soldiers returning from deployment in Iraq.	DMNA Reg 672-1, 2011
2012	<b>President Franklin D. Roosevelt Field Grade Leadership Award.</b> Created to recognize field grade officers who display the type of leadership traits of the president.	DMNA Reg 672-1, 2013
2012	<b>President Theodore Roosevelt Company Grade Leadership Award.</b> Created to recognize company grade officers/warrants who display the type of leadership traits of the president.	DMNA Reg 672-1, 2013