

The American Legion



For God and Country

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LOWRY A. FINLEY-JACKSON, DEPARTMENT ADJUTANT

To: The Missouri Firefighter or EMT (Career/Volunteer)

From: The American Legion Department of Missouri, Inc.

Re: 2015 Firefighter/EMT Award

The purpose of this letter is to make everyone in Missouri's Firefighter/EMT community aware of our Department's annual Firefighter/EMT Award, which is to honor a Missouri Firefighter/EMT for his/her career in serving the general public.

Every Missouri Firefighter/EMT who is affiliated with a tax-supported entity and reside and serve within the State of Missouri is eligible for this award. **We request that only one (1) Firefighter/EMT from your agency be submitted for the award.** Should there be more than one (1) Firefighter/EMT involved in an incident, submit details on those involved.

Our Law & Order/Public Safety Committee will select one (1) as Missouri's Firefighter/EMT recipient for 2015. That person will be invited to the Department Convention, July 11th, 2015, in Jefferson City, to receive the award. The Missouri winner will then be nominated for the National Firefighter/EMT Award of The American Legion. Should the Missouri recipient win the National Contest he/she will be invited to the National Convention, August 29th, 2015 for recognition.

Please note the enclosed application requires the signature of the Post Commander, if there is not an American Legion Post in your jurisdiction contact the Law & Order and Public Safety Chairman, Mr. Kenny Goth at (660) 351-2184.

The Chairman must receive nominees by February 6th, 2015. Please complete and submit all information and documentation to:

Kenneth Goth, Chairman
Law & Order and Public Safety
P.O. Box 179
Jefferson City, MO 65102
(660) 351-2184

Regards,
The American Legion Department of Missouri, Inc.

CAREER FIRE FIGHTER/ CAREER EMT
VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTER /VOULUNTEER EMT ELIGIBILITY

Judging Criteria:

Many Fire Fighters/ EMT personnel exemplify themselves with a single act of bravery or distinguishing event. However, Community Service will count significantly in the overall selection criteria and will make up fifty percent of the criteria for The American Legion Career Fire Fighters/ EMT's or Volunteer Fire Fighters/ EMT's awards. Volunteers also distinguish themselves by attaining additional training and studies (College) towards degrees and studies within their own Agency to advance in the Volunteer ranks of their agency.

Specific Act of Heroism or Meritorious Service (20 Points):

Citations for acts of heroism or meritorious service must be provided including a description of the act that was performed in detail, the medal or the award that the individual was recommended for and received. The award or citation must have been awarded within the time frame designated by the Standing Rules. Any supporting documentation such as newspaper accounts of the act or of the individual receiving the award, certificates and letters of recommendation and commendation should be submitted.

Community Service (50 Points):

Career Fire Fighters/ EMT's or Volunteer Fire Fighters/ EMT's personnel provide service to their communities as First Responders on a daily basis at their local Volunteer stations. These activities must be performed within the time frame set by the Standing Rules and must be described in detail and must be substantiated by official letters from their agency, community or county officials, citizens associations, American Legion Post or other recognized private or civic organizations.

Community service typically has been performed over an extended period of time. Those activities, in addition to those described above, should be described in detail and must be substantiated by an official letter from the city or county officials, Missouri State Officials, citizens associations, American Legion Posts, county, or district, or other officially recognized private or civic organizations. Supporting documentation such as awards, certificates, letters of recognition, letters of recommendation and commendation, and/or newspaper clippings must be included.

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Note: Any full time paid Fire Fighter/ EMT personnel that volunteers at a local Volunteer Fire Station and is being considered for The American Legion Career Fire Fighters/ EMT awards, under the guidelines of the full time personnel, cannot also be considered under the Volunteer Fire Fighter/ EMT guidelines and have two applications submitted.

Career Achievements (25 Points):

Many Fire Fighters/ EMT, Career or Volunteer, personnel excel in their careers over the years by continuing their education and training to better themselves in the performance of their daily duties. Education leading to a degree in fire service and promotions and specialized training to enhance their job performance is relevant and should be included. These achievements must be substantiated by official letters or other official documentation from the Agency he/she is a volunteer for, and should be included.

Committee Preference (5 Points):

The Committee will be given the option to award five points to the candidate that exhibits the best letters of recognition and news clippings and has the best overall record in their opinion.

Judges:

A panel of six committee members shall judge all entries. All entries shall be judge based upon criteria specified herein. A quorum shall constitute four committee members.

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To: The Missouri Sheriffs, Chiefs of Police and Department of Public Safety

From: The American Legion Department of Missouri, Inc.

Re: 2015 Law and Order Award

The purpose of this letter is to make everyone in Missouri's law enforcement community aware of our Department's annual Law & Order Award, which is to honor a Missouri Law Enforcement Officer for his/her career in serving the general public.

Every Missouri law enforcement officer who is affiliated with a tax-supported entity and has the power of arrest is eligible for this award. **We request that only one (1) officer from your agency be submitted for the award.** Should there be more than one (1) officer involved in an incident, submit details on those involved. Each Troop of the Missouri Highway Patrol will be treated as a separate agency.

Our Law & Order/Public Safety Committee will select one (1) as Missouri's Law & Order recipient for 2015. That person will be invited to the Department Convention, July 11th, 2015, in Jefferson City, to receive the award. The Missouri winner will then be nominated for the National Law & Order Award of The American Legion. Should the Missouri recipient win the National Contest he/she will be invited to the National Convention, August 29th, 2015 for recognition.

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LAW OFFICER ELIGIBILITY

To be considered for the most prestigious award, all nominees must meet the following criteria:

1. Be a Citizen of the United States of America
2. Be a full time sworn and paid law enforcement officer entrusted with the authority and powers of arrest.
3. Consideration for a posthumous award is permissible only when the recipient has died subsequent to selection for the award and prior to its presentation.
4. Be assigned as a law enforcement officer representing, within the State of Missouri.
 - *A municipality
 - *County
 - *District
 - *The Missouri State Highway Patrol-each troop
 - *The Secret Service
 - *U.S. Postal Inspectors
 - *The Federal Bureau of Investigations
 - *Immigration and Naturalization Service
 - *Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA)
 - *U.S. Treasury Agents
 - *U.S. Customs Service
 - *The Federal Marshal's Office
5. Reside and serve as a law enforcement officer within the State of Missouri.

MISSOURI FUTURE DATES AND CITIES

SPRING CONFERENCE

2015 - 2/20 – 2/22 CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL, JEFFERSON CITY, MO
2016 – 2/19 – 2/21 CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL, JEFFERSON CITY, MO
2017 – 2/17 – 2/19 CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL, JEFFERSON CITY, MO
2018 – 2/16 – 2/18 CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL, JEFFERSON CITY, MO

DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

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2016 – 7/14 to 7/17 EMBASSY SUITES, KANSAS CITY, MO
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FALL CONFERENCE

2015 – 10/23 to 10/25 Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City, MO
2016 – 10/28 to 10/30 Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City, MO
2017 – 10/27 to 10/29 Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City, MO
2018 – 10/26 to 10/28 Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City, MO

NATIONAL CONVENTION

2015 - 8/28 to 9/3 - Baltimore, MD.
2016 - 8/26 to 9/1 - Cincinnati, OH.
2017 - 8/25 to 8/31 - Louisville, KY.
2018 - 8/24 to 8/30 - Minneapolis, MN.
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Capitol Plaza Hotel 1-573-635-1234
Toll Free Reservation 1-800-338-8088

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2015 DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

HOUSING REQUEST

July 9-12, 2015

HOUSING/HOSPITALITY/CAUCUS ROOM & VENDOR TABLE REQUEST

**Ramada Plaza Hotel & Oasis Convention Center
2546 N. Glenstone
Springfield, MO 65803
888-532-4338**

Make reservations directly with the hotel, using a credit card for confirmation. Be sure to mention you are with The American Legion.

THERE IS A PRIORITY LIST

PRIORITY LIST RESERVATIONS MUST BE DONE BY DEC 31, 2014

**HOTEL WILL START TAKING RESERVATIONS FOR ALL OTHERS
ON JAN 1, 2015**

****CUTOFF DATE FOR ALL HOUSING RESERVATIONS WILL BE JUNE 9, 2015****

Cost per night is \$79.00 (plus Sales and Lodging tax)

Check in time 3:00 p.m. No exceptions

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HOSPITALITY ROOM REQUEST

*** All Hospitality Rooms will be reserved through the Department Adjutant*
The charge for each room will be 160.00 per day for large hospitality rooms & smaller rooms \$80.00 per day. Ramada Plaza Hotel will provide ice and trash removal.**
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DISTRICT CAUCUS ROOMS

Will be assigned by Department Adjutant at Convention
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Table Request for Vendors/Post and Auxiliary

All table requests will be reserved through Department Headquarters.

Please call Sabrina Plumb to make your request 573-761-4143

Deadline for table request: *June 19, 2015*

DEPARTMENT COMMISSION / COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

If you need a room for meetings during the Convention in July, you need to contact the Department Adjutant NO LATER THAN April 20, 2015. Nothing is automatic. Thank you.



Department of Missouri Membership Sweepstakes

Attention Missouri Legionnaires!

For each **NEW LEGION MEMBER** recruited using this form your name will be entered in a \$1000 1st place, \$500 2nd place, and a \$250 3rd place drawing during the Dept of Missouri Spring Conference **20/February/2015**. This form may be copied for multiple entries. Return this completed form with signature of recruiter on this application to **your Post Adjutant**. Sweepstakes open to ALL members of the Legion Family (including SAL, Auxiliary, and ALR members.) Entry Deadline is **06/February/2015**

Attention Post Adjutant after processing, return this form to the Missouri Dept Adjutant: P.O. Box 179, Jefferson City, MO 65102.

Recruiter's Member #: _____
Recruiter's Name: _____

The American Legion Membership Application

(Name) _____ (Phone) _____

(Mailing Address) _____ (Date) _____

(City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____ (Post #) _____

(Membership ID# former member) _____ (Email Address) _____ (Dues) _____

Please check appropriate eligibility dates and branch of service below

<input type="checkbox"/> Aug 2, 1990 - Present	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Army
<input type="checkbox"/> Dec. 20, 1989 - Jan. 31, 1990	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Navy
<input type="checkbox"/> Aug. 24, 1982 - July 31, 1984	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Air Force
<input type="checkbox"/> Feb. 28, 1961 - May 7, 1975	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Marines
<input type="checkbox"/> June 25, 1950 - Jan. 31, 1955	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Coast Guard
<input type="checkbox"/> Dec. 7, 1941 - Dec. 31, 1946	<input type="checkbox"/> Merchant Marines 12/7/41 - 12/31/46 (only eligibility)
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I certify that I served at least one day of active military duty during the dates marked above and was honorably discharged or am still serving honorably.

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