MEMORANDUM FOR SEE ATTACHED

FROM: Holm Center/CC
      551 East Maxwell Blvd
      Maxwell AFB AL 36112-6106

SUBJECT: Request for Nominations – Officer Training School (OTS) and Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) Distinguished Alumni

1. The Jeanne M. Holm Center for Officer Accessions and Citizen Development requests nominations of exemplary OTS and ROTC graduates, or any predecessor program graduates as candidates for Distinguished Alumni recognition. Nomination packages are due to Holm Center no later than 11 Dec 09.

2. Recognizing our Distinguished Alumni is part of a larger effort to recognize and celebrate the history and heritage of these programs. The award criteria is outlined in AFOATS 36-2801, dated 15 October 2007 and are as follows:

   a. To be eligible for the Distinguished Alumni award, the applicant must have graduated from ROTC, OTS, Basic Officer Training (BOT), the School of Military Sciences – Officer (SMSO), Officer Commissioning School (OCS) the Aviation Cadets, Military Indoctraination for Medical Service Officers (MIMSO), Health Professions Officer Indoctraination Course (HPOIC), Air Force Officer Orientation Course (AFOOC), Commissioned Officer Training (COT), or Reserve Commissioned Officer Training.

   b. If military (active duty, Reserve, Guard, or retired), the applicant must have achieved one of the following:

      (1). For Air Force Line officers, attained the rank of Lieutenant General or above. For non-line officers, attained the rank of Major General or above.

      (2). Awarded the Silver Star or higher precedence medal.

      (3). Attained a high level of honorable recognition or distinction for an accomplishment with Air Force-wide or national/international significance (e.g. certain authors, astronauts, test pilots, etc.) or for historically notable service or combat achievements (e.g. “Ace” status, most air-to-air victories during a campaign, first officer of x type to reach a certain rank, etc.).

   c. If civilian, applicant must have achieved all of the following:

      (1). Completed a minimum of four years of active duty, Air Force Reserve, or Air National Guard, or a combination thereof that equals four or more years of service.
(2). Attained a high level of honorable recognition (Pulitzer Prize winner, public figure such as a U.S. Congressman, Governor, etc.) or distinction for an accomplishment of national/international significance (significant medical discovery, etc).

(3). Maintained an honorable example in military and civilian life.

d. Nominations and selections may be posthumous.

3. To submit an applicant for recognition as a Distinguished Alumni, the applicant or his/her representative must:

a. Produce official Air Force documents that prove officer honorable service or discharge—copies accepted. Recommend DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, or equivalent.

b. Provide as many documents as possible to build a background of accomplishments on the applicant for commanders and directors to consider—copies accepted. Examples include distinguished awards won, highest decorations achieved, combat tours, etc.

c. Provide a photograph (color if possible) of the applicant.

d. Provide an AF Form 1206, Nomination for Award; maximum of 25 lines, describing the accomplishments and contributions of the applicant.

e. Provide a suggested citation for the plaque, if selected.

4. All agencies are requested to ensure widest possible distribution to all personnel. Nomination packages are required no later than 11 Dec 09. Please send electronic versions of all packages to: holmcenter.cc.evworkflow@maxwell.af.mil. A selection board consisting of senior Holm Center, ROTC and OTS staff will review all nominations and select deserving candidates by 31 Dec 09.

5. The Holm Center POC for this project is Capt Lorine Grosso, or commercial 334-953-0252, email: lorine.grosso@maxwell.af.mil. Please contact Capt Grosso with any questions you might have.

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