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HEADQUARTERS OF THE COMMANDER

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The Commander South Pacific Area and Force takes pleasure in commending

LIEUTENANT RICHARD M. NIXON, UNITED STATES NAVAL RESERVE

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

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"For meritorious and efficient performance of duty as Officer-in-Charge of the South Pacific Combat Air Transport Command at Bougainville and later at Green Islands from January 1 to June 16, 1944. During this period, Lieutenant NIXON displayed sound judgment and initiative in organizing the South Pacific Combat Air Transport Command activities at both Bougainville and Green Islands. He established the efficient liaison which made possible the immediate supply by air of vital material and key personnel, and the prompt evacuation of battle casualties from these stations to rear areas. His able leadership, tireless efforts and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

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from: **SECRET**

J. H. NEWTON,
Vice Admiral, U. S. Navy.

To: **RESTRICTED**
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Officer Personnel Files

*Com To Pw
Serial 001984
dated 25 Sept 1944*

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NAVY DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF AERONAUTICS GENERAL REPRESENTATIVE
EASTERN DISTRICT
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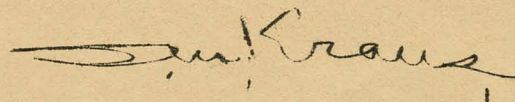
In Reply Refer to:
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2 November 1945

To: Lt. Comdr. Richard M. Nixon USNR File #169340
Subj: American Campaign Medal and ribbon -
Eligibility for.
Ref: (a) AlNav 351 dated 20 October 1945.

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1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a) you are eligible to wear the American Campaign Medal or ribbon at such time as may be appropriate in accordance with Naval regulations.
2. In compliance with reference (a), a copy of this letter is being sent to the Bureau of Personnel for record.



S. M. KRAUS

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BUREAU OF AERONAUTICS
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.



10 DEC 1945

From: The Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics.
To: Lieutenant Commander R. M. Nixon, (A), USNR,
File Number 169340.

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Subject: Commendation.

1. The Secretary of the Navy has authorized the Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics to commend:

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER RICHARD M. NIXON,
UNITED STATES NAVAL RESERVE,

for the following services:

As Bureau of Aeronautics Contracting Officer for Termination for the period 19 August 1945 to 30 November 1945, you performed duties of great responsibility with outstanding initiative, skill and fairness. Your devotion to duty was an inspiration to all who served with you. These outstanding services were in accordance with the highest traditions of the Naval Service.

2. It is, therefore, a pleasure and a great satisfaction to commend you for exceptionally meritorious performance of duty. A copy of this letter will be sent to the Chief of Naval Personnel with the request that it be placed in your official file.

CC: Chief of Naval Personnel

H. B. SALLADA
Rear Adm., USN
Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics

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