



# DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT  
THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY HAS AWARDED THE

## NAVY AND MARINE CORPS COMMENDATION MEDAL

TO

LIEUTENANT STEVEN M. SHEPARD, JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S CORPS  
UNITED STATES NAVY

FOR

MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT WHILE SERVING AS LEGAL ASSISTANCE AND DEFENSE COUNSEL, AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATION DIVISION OFFICER AT NAVAL LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, FROM DECEMBER 2009 TO MAY 2012. LIEUTENANT SHEPARD CONDUCTED 67 ADMINISTRATIVE SEPARATION BOARDS, 19 COURTS-MARTIAL, AND 5 CONTESTED TRIALS, INCLUDING 2 FULL ACQUITTALS. AS A DIVISION OFFICER, HE SUPERVISED A STAFF OF 4 LIEUTENANTS, 2 LEGALMAN AND 3 SUPPORT STAFF THAT CONDUCTED OVER 350 ADMINISTRATIVE SEPARATION HEARINGS. HE ALSO DESIGNED AND IMPLEMENTED THE DIVISION'S PERSONAL QUALIFICATION STANDARD AND TRAINING PROGRAM. LIEUTENANT SHEPARD'S PROFESSIONALISM, PERSEVERANCE, AND DEVOTION TO DUTY REFLECT CREDIT UPON HIM AND WERE IN KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL SERVICE.

GIVEN THIS 31ST DAY OF MAY 2012



FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY  
S. C. STEWART, CAPT, JAGC, USN  
COMMANDING OFFICER  
NAVAL LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST



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(GOLD STAR IN LIEU OF SECOND AWARD)

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### FOR

MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT WHILE SERVING AS STAFF ATTORNEY, CRIMINAL LAW DIVISION (CODE 20), OFFICE OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL, FROM JULY 2012 TO SEPTEMBER 2013. LIEUTENANT SHEPARD WAS A HIGHLY VALUED AND PRODUCTIVE WORKING GROUP MEMBER OF THE JOINT SERVICE COMMITTEE, EARNING THE RESPECT AND ADMIRATION OF ALL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES. HIS KEEN LEGAL ACUMEN AND ASTUTE ADVICE ON HIGH-VISIBILITY AND TIME-SENSITIVE SEXUAL ASSAULT POLICY INITIATIVES, LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS, AND HUNDREDS OF FIELD CALLS HAVE MADE A LASTING IMPACT ON MILITARY JUSTICE LAW AND POLICIES ACROSS SERVICES. LIEUTENANT SHEPARD'S EXCEPTIONAL PROFESSIONAL ABILITY, STEADFAST INITIATIVE AND SELFLESS DEVOTION TO DUTY REFLECTED CREDIT UPON HIMSELF AND WERE IN KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL SERVICE.

GIVEN THIS

26<sup>th</sup>

DAY OF

September 2013



FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

NANETTE M. DeRENZI  
VICE ADMIRAL, JAGC, U.S. NAVY  
JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL