How to Apply for National Blacks In Government Military Meritorious Service Award

National Blacks In Government (BIG) is one of the Department of Defense (DoD)'s diversity affinity groups and is accepting nominations for National Blacks In Government Military Meritorious Service Award. The attached guide provides information on this award.

**Purpose:** The BIG Military Meritorious Service Award honors military members and Department of Defense (DoD) civilian employees, men and women, who have supported the DoD mission, overseas contingency operations, or whose attributes best epitomized the qualities and core values of their respective Military Service or other DoD Component.

**Process:** DoD Component offices will forward their top three (3) nomination packages to National Blacks In Government electronically and in word format on or before Friday, May 29, 2020. Awards received after this date will not be processed. **DoD components must set their own internal deadlines.**

**Date of Event:** August 24-27, 2020  
**Location:** Tampa, FL  
**Eligibility:** Civilian Employees and Military Members  
**Performance Period:** April 2019 - April 2020  
**Due Date:** Friday, May 29, 2020  
**Award Presentation Date:** Tuesday, August 25, 2020 (National President's Reception)  
**Point of Contact:** Dr. Deborah McClanahan, emf9@cdc.gov, (404) 427-0269 or (404)932-7683

The agency top three (3) nominations should be submitted directly to the National Third Vice President of Blacks In Government, Dr. Deborah McClanahan at e-mail address: emf9@cdc.gov on or before Friday, May 29, 2020.

The document below provides the point of contact information for each agency POC for nominations of FY20 Military Meritorious Service Award. **Agencies desiring to submit nomination packets should contact their agency POC to obtain a complete packet and their agency disposition. All awards must be processed through your agency POC.**

If your agency is not listed on the document below, you may contact Dr. Deborah McClanahan, BIG National Third Vice President and Military Meritorious Service Award Coordinator @ email emf9@cdc.gov or call (404) 427-0269 for further disposition.
POINT OF CONTACTS (POCs) FOR FY 20 BLACKS IN GOVERNMENT MILITARY MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

The name, office, commercial phone number, and e-mail address of the point of contacts (POCs) for MEO Outreach Awards (MEO, EEO or Diversity office) are:

1. **ARMY (Diversity and Leadership):** Ms. Margaret D. Barfield, (703) 545-5776, margaret.d.barfield.civ@mail.mil

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3. **MARINE CORPS (EO and Diversity Management Office):** Mr. Marc Sheppard, (703) 784-9371, marc.sheppard@usmc.mil and Ms. Rebecca Prince, (210) 656-2520, Rebecca.Prince.4.ctr@us.af.mil

4. **AIR FORCE (Contractor, AFPC/DPSIDR):** Ms. Katie Franckowiak, (210) 565-4492, katie.franckowiak.ctr@us.af.mil

5. **NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU (National Guard Bureau Equity and Inclusion Office, Minority College Outreach and Engagement Programs Manager):** Ms. Jacqueline Ray-Morris, (703) 607-1710, jacqueline.ray-morris.civ@mail.mil

6. **COAST GUARD (Awards/ HQs Special Ethnic Observances Program)** Mr. Juan Torres, (202) 372-4594, juan.l.torres@uscg.mil

7. **DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY (DLA) (Special Emphasis Programs & Affirmative Employment Program Manager):** Mr. Eric Spanbauer, (571) 322-5153, Eric.Spanbauer@dla.mil

8. **JOINT ENABLING CAPABILITIES COMMAND (Joint Command):** MSgt Ebony Striverson, (757-836-6378), ebony.c.striverson.mil@mail.mil

9. **DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (DIA):** Ms. Nicole Bryson 202-231-0335 and Ms. Jennifer Hawthorne, (202) 231-0483, Jennifer.Hawthorne@dodiis.mil

10. **DEFENSE CONTRACT MANGAEMENT AGENCY (DCMA):** Mr. Koo Yoo, (Joint Award Program Manager), 804-734-0944, koo.h.yoo.civ@mail.mil and George P Braxton II, george.p.braxton2.civ@mail.mil

11. **ARMY RESERVES:** Rafeal D. Boyd, (USAR EO Deputy), Phone: 910.570.8280, Mobile: 910-852-1910, Email: rafeal.d.boyd.civ@mail.mil