



SOCIETY OF AMERICAN INDIAN GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES (SAIGE) 2022 MILITARY MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

1. Purpose: The SAIGE Military Meritorious Service Award is a federal government level award that honors the service and accomplishments of Active Duty, National Guard, Reserve Service members and military Veterans in government service, who during the award period made significant contributions in the following areas:

- Promoted a positive image of American Indians/Alaskan Natives in government service,
- Contributed and encouraged a greater understanding of the AI/AN culture through activities, both on and off duty,
- Supported local, state or Federal interactions with AI/AN people, tribes or events,
- Reflected attributes epitomizing the best qualities and core values of their respective military service or government agency.

2. Award:

Eligibility: Military Members or government employed Veterans

Performance Period: From 01/01/2021 To 03/15/2022

Due Date: 04/08/2022

Award Presentation Date: 06/22/2022

SAIGE Point of Contact: Mr. Danny Garceau, SAIGE Warrior Society Director, at danny.garceau@saige.org

The Award Committee will choose a maximum of 10 award winners from the nomination submissions. Award winners or their representatives will receive their award at the SAIGE Warrior Society Awards program during the week of the SAIGE National Training Program.

3. Nomination Criteria: All nominations must demonstrate the nominee's contributions and investments of inclusion and diversity. Nominee packages submitted must be for either one or both of the following criteria:

- a. Nominees submitted for their service must show significant contributions to their agency's mission. All interactions need to reflect uniqueness that is above the expected levels of an employee of their position.
- b. Nominees submitted for personal actions on and/or off-duty activities, with specific examples of these actions. Please explain how the impact of the nominee actions and how they promoted a positive image for American Indians and Alaskan Natives.



4. Nomination Packages Requirements and Staffing: Nomination packages must be submitted electronically through organizational staffing channels (at least one command higher) and not directly to SAIGE. The final email destination for the nomination packages is danny.garceau@saige.org.

a. Nomination packages must include:

i. Award Nomination Transmittal Form (attached.)

Note: For Veteran nominations, in the *Veteran Service Statement and Condition of Discharge* section, place a statement attesting that the Veteran separated from their respective service under honorable conditions.

ii. A nomination narrative, using criteria in paragraph 3, describing, in not more than two pages the nominee's accomplishments warranting the recognition specific to the award.

iii. An award citation, highlighting the nominee's accomplishments, not to exceed twelve lines.

iv. A single-spaced biography of the nominee not to exceed one page, if applicable include the nominee's tribal membership or AI/AN ancestry.

v. A digital photograph of the nominee (.JPG format.)

b. Submissions will be Microsoft Word .doc format with 12-point font with 1-inch left and 1-inch right margins. Exception: Citations may follow current military service's citation format guidelines.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Danny Garceau', is positioned above the printed name.

Danny Garceau
Board of Directors, Director of the Warrior Society
Society of American Indian Government Employees