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PERMANENT ORDERS 295-16

22 October 2009

U.S. Army Parachute Team

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Army Superior Unit Award

Period of service: 1 May 2008 to 30 April 2009

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-16

Reason: For outstanding meritorious service. During the period 1 May 2008 to 30 April 2009, the U.S. Army Parachute Team displayed outstanding meritorious service in support of the U.S. Army Accessions Command's tactical, operational, and strategic mission in addition to U.S. Army public relations objectives. The Golden Knights distinguished themselves through outstanding accomplishments and superior performance in national and international parachute competitions, and in providing direct support to special mission and special operations units with personalized assistance in maintaining and improving military freefall infiltration skills and techniques. Further, the team's exemplary conduct, quiet professionalism, and superb performance in front of thousands of spectators had immeasurable value in enhancing the Army's image as well as instilling national pride. The U.S. Army Parachute Team's outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, and the United States Army.

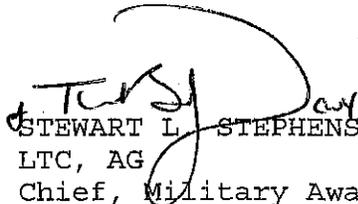
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Additional Instructions: This order serves as official notification that a unit award has been approved for the organization(s) listed above and will serve as authority for eligible Soldiers to update their records and wear the award. The award is still subject to final confirmation in Department of the Army General Orders. Official verification of a specific unit's entitlement to display the award in the form of an appropriate streamer on its flag or guidon rests with the U.S. Army Center of Military History (CMH), which is also responsible for determining official unit Lineage and Honors for MTOE organizations. CMH will use this permanent order to authorize the manufacture of an appropriate decoration streamer for any organization clearly

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entitled to display the award, and the completed streamers will
be distributed by the U.S. Army Human Resources Command.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:


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