



Procedures for Nomination

Department Awards Packet 2026

Attached is the MCL Department of Louisiana Award Nomination Packet for 2026. The packet includes a Nomination Form, specific awards and/or ribbons that may be awarded, and the Department Marine of the Year and Associate Member of the Year guidelines.

Award Nominations

- Detachment Commandants will complete the MCL Awards Nomination Form for each Detachment member worthy of consideration. The attached Letter of Recommendation detailing the member's accomplishments must be completed on each form.
- One form may be used to nominate a member for multiple awards. Marine of the Year and Associate Member of the Year must be on separate form.
- **Each Award Nomination Form must be signed by both Detachment Commandant and Adjutant.**
- Nominations should be given thoughtful consideration. Awards cannot be given to everyone, or their value will diminish. This is an opportunity for your Detachment to recognize, on Department level, your most appreciated members.
- The forms and letters of recommendation must be emailed to Department Junior Past Commandant James Roy at verouchi@gmail.com no later than midnight Friday, May 22, 2026. This should give your unit time to compile all that is needed for each member.
- The completed forms will be reviewed by the Awards Committee. Each nomination will be given equal consideration.

Marine of the Year (MOY) & Associate Member of the Year (AMOY)

- The Department Marine of the Year Society, comprised of past Department MOY recipients, and the Associate Member of the Year Society, comprised of past Department AMOY recipients, will make a final decision.

Award presentations will be given to recipients in front of their families and fellow members at the Department Annual Convention Banquet on June 6, 2026.

We are still Marines and must conduct ourselves with honor and integrity. In the meantime, should you have any questions, or need additional information, please send email to verouch@gmail.com.



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Milton H. Ockman Memorial Award Department Marine of the Year

Nomination forms and Letters of Recommendation must originate at the **DETACHMENT LEVEL**. No individual or any subsidiary unit of the Marine Corps League may submit a nomination.

The Nominee must be a **REGULAR MEMBER** of the Marine Corps League who has **been a member in good standing of the Detachment for no less than three years (thirty-six months)**. **The Letter of Recommendation must include the nominee's date of initiation.**

The Letter of Recommendation must detail recognitions and accomplishments, in the past three years including:

- Rendered service(s) and / or performed a deed(s) above and beyond the duties and obligations required of a member of the Marine Corps League
- Meritorious deed(s) so identified as being meritorious deed(s), so identified as being within the scope of these rules, and shall be of such substance that weight will, or shall have brought acclaim and prestige to the Marine Corps League
- Enhanced and / or furthered the concepts of the duties of being a citizen of the United States of America
- Deed(s) of courage or valor without regard for their own safety

All MCL Award Nomination Forms must be signed by the Detachment Commandant and Adjutant, stating that the nominee for Department Marine of the Year was approved at a regular meeting by majority vote. (Must be an actual signature and not a computer-generated font.)

In the event the nominee is the Detachment Commandant, the letter of nomination shall be signed by Detachment Senior Vice Commandant and the Detachment Adjutant. In the event the nominee is the Detachment Adjutant, the letter shall be signed by Detachment Commandant and Senior Vice Commandant.

The attached Letter of Recommendation and the MCL Award Nomination Form must be emailed to Department Junior Past Commandant James Roy at verouchi@gmail.com no later than midnight May 22, 2026. Only one nomination per Detachment is allowed.



Procedures for Nomination

Leland H. Wilde Memorial Award Department Associate Member of the Year

Nomination forms and Letters of Recommendation must originate at the **DETACHMENT LEVEL**. No individual or any subsidiary unit of the Marine Corps League may submit a nomination.

The Nominee must be an **ASSOCIATE MEMBER** of the Marine Corps League who has **been a member in good standing of the Detachment for no less than three years (thirty-six months)**. **The Letter of Recommendation must include the nominee's date of initiation.**

The Letter of Recommendation must detail recognitions and accomplishments, in the past three years including:

- Rendered service(s) and / or performed a deed(s) above and beyond the duties and obligations required of a member of the Marine Corps League
- Meritorious deed(s) so identified as being meritorious deed(s), so identified as being within the scope of these rules, and shall be of such substance that weight will, or shall have brought acclaim and prestige to the Marine Corps League
- Enhanced and / or furthered the concepts of the duties of being a citizen of the United States of America
- Deed(s) of courage or valor without regard for their own safety

All MCL Award Nomination Forms must be signed by the Detachment Commandant and Adjutant, stating that the nominee for Department Associate Member of the Year was approved at a regular meeting by majority vote. (Must be an actual signature and not a computer-generated font.)

In the event the nominee is the Detachment Adjutant, the letter shall be signed by Detachment Commandant and Senior Vice Commandant.

The attached Letter of Recommendation and the MCL Award Nomination Form must be emailed to Department Junior Past Commandant James Roy at verouchi@gmail.com no later than midnight May 22, 2026. Only one nomination per Detachment is allowed.



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AWARD NOMINATION FORM

From: (Name and Title) _____

To: Department of Louisiana

Via: Detachment Commandant

[Part 1: Awardee Information]

Name of Awardee: _____ MCL Profile ID: _____

Detachment Name & Number: _____ Member Since: _____

Awardee is: Regular Member Associate Member Other

If other, specify: _____
(Auxiliary, Young Marines, Business Owner, Etc.)

Type of Award: Please select the appropriate award(s) being nominated for Department Level

Dept Marine of the Year (Regular Member)

Dept Associate Member of the Year (Associate)

Distinguished Citizen Award Silver

Distinguished Service Award

Certificate of Appreciation

Dept Recruiter Award (5 or more)

Individual Meritorious Commendation

Unit Meritorious Commendation

Justification for Award(s): Please complete attached letter of recommendation.

[Part 2: Authorization]

Recommendation for: _____

(Recipient Name)

Approve

Disapprove

Detachment Commandant

Date

Detachment Adjutant

Date

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All information needed for your nomination should be placed on this form. No other letters, pictures, articles, news clippings, etc. will be considered.

Offices held in Detachment, Department, Division, or National:

Committees served on in Detachment, Department, Division, or National:

Awards received in Detachment, Department, Division, or National:

Community service performed:

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Justification for the award nomination: