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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 2, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

PHIL BUCHEN

FROM:

JIM CONNOR *JEC*

SUBJECT:

Nomination of Julia Vadala Taft
for the PRESIDENT'S Award for
Distinguished Federal Civilian
Service

You will recall that the attached memorandum from Secretary Kissinger and Secretary Mathews was staffed to members of the senior staff. Jack Marsh was the only staff member to observe that Mrs. Taft is ineligible for this award since she is not a career civilian.

You are requested to research this recommendation to see if in fact Mrs. Taft is eligible for the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service.

If she is not eligible, is there a Presidential award it would be legal for her to receive?

Some background material on the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service is attached for your review. (TAB A).



Committee for the Preservation of the White House

1000 Ohio Drive SW., Washington, D.C. 20542. Phone, 202-426-6622.

Executive Secretary.—Elmer S. Atkins.

The Committee was established to report to the President and advise the Director of the National Park Service with respect to the preservation and interpretation of the museum character of the principal corridor on the ground floor and the principal public rooms on the first floor of the White House. Among other things, the Committee makes recommendations as to the articles of furniture, fixtures, and decorative objects which shall be used and displayed in the aforesaid areas of the White House and as to the decorative arrangements therein best suited to enhance the historic and artistic values of the White House and of such articles, fixtures, and objects (EO 11145 Mar. 7, 1964, as amended by EO 11555 of Oct. 13, 1970).

Committee for Purchase from the Blind and Other Severely Handicapped

109 N. Fourteenth Street, Arlington, Va. 22201. Phone, 703-557-1145.

Executive Director.—Charles W. Fletcher.

The Committee was established to direct procurement of selected commodities and services of the Federal Government to qualified nonprofit agencies serving blind and other severely handicapped individuals with the objective of increasing employment opportunities for these individuals (85 Stat. 77; U.S.C. 46-48).

Delaware River Basin Commission

Office of the U.S. Commissioner: Room 47, Department of the Interior Building, Washington, D.C. 20240. Phone, 202-333-5761.

Office of the Executive Director: 25 State Office Drive (P.O. Box 360), Trenton, N.J. 08603. Phone, 609-883-9500.

Executive Director.—James F. Wright.

The Commission, a Federal-Interstate Compact organization, is responsible for the management of projects and activities within the Delaware River Basin, which will provide regulation and development of ground and surface water supplies for municipal, industrial, and agricultural uses; abatement of stream pollution; flood damage reduction; promotion of forestry, soil conservation and watershed projects; propagation of fish and wildlife; development of water-related recreational facilities; and development of hydroelectric power potentialities.

The Federal Government is represented by the U.S. Commissioner and the Secretary of the Interior, who is the Federal member. The State members are the Governors of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Delaware, *ex officio* (75 Stat. 688).

Distinguished Civilian Service Awards Board

Civil Service Commission Building, Washington, D.C. 20415. Phone, 202-632-5568.

Executive Secretary.—Richard P. Bregel.

The Board was established to advise and assist the President in the selection of Federal career officials to whom the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service should be granted (EO 10717 of June 27, 1957).

Export Administration Review Board

Commerce Building, Washington, D.C. 20230. Phone, 202-957-3127.

Executive Secretary.—Aaron Tollin.

The Board was established to assure the highest level of consideration of trade control policies and actions and to obtain, as far as possible, agreed action among the departments chiefly concerned with advising the Secretary of Commerce in administering U.S. export controls (EO 11533 of June 4, 1970).

SECTION 1. An award program for significant contributions to the Export Expansion Program is hereby established.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of Commerce, in cooperation with the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of Agriculture, the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, and the heads of other Government departments and agencies, shall establish procedures for the nomination of persons, firms, and organizations for awards and the granting of awards, and for such other matters as may be incidental thereto.

SEC. 3. There shall be two types of awards, as follows:

- (a) The President's "E" Award; and
- (b) The President's "E" Certificate of Service.

SEC. 4. The President's "E" Award may be made to persons, firms, and organizations engaged in the marketing of products who make significant contributions to the expansion of the export trade of the United States. It shall consist of a flag having a field of white upon which will appear a blue "E". It shall be further evidenced by an "E" Award Certificate, which shall cite the recipient's contribution, and shall be appropriately executed in the name and by the authority of the President.

SEC. 5. A special "E" Certificate of Service may be awarded to persons, firms, and organizations who make contributions to export expansion, but who are engaged in activities other than the marketing of products. The special "E" Certificate of Service shall cite the recipient's contribution, and shall be appropriately executed in the name and by the authority of the President.

SEC. 6. A recipient of either type of award may be authorized to issue to his employees a suitably designed pin inscribed with the President's "E", to display a designated style of award emblem in his advertising, and to make other appropriate use of the emblem.

JOHN F. KENNEDY

THE WHITE HOUSE,
December 5, 1961.

Executive Order 10979

AMENDMENT OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10717,¹ ESTABLISHING THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED FEDERAL CIVILIAN SERVICE

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Government Employees' Incentive Awards Act (68 Stat. 1112), and as President of the United States, it is ordered that Executive Order No. 10717 of June 27, 1957, be amended by substituting for section 2, 7, and 8 thereof the following:

"SEC. 2. (a) The President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service shall be presented by the President to civilian officers or employees of the Federal Government for the best achievements having current impact in improving Government operations or serving the public interest. These achievements shall exemplify one or more of the following:

- (1) Imagination in developing creative solutions to problems of government.
- (2) Courage in persevering against great odds and difficulties.
- (3) High ability in accomplishing extraordinary scientific or technological achievement, in providing outstanding leadership in planning, organizing, or directing a major program of unusual importance and complexity, or in performing an extraordinary act of credit to the Government and the country.
- (4) Long and distinguished career service.

"(b) The importance of the achievements to the Government and to the public interest shall be so outstanding that the officer or employee is deserving of greater public recognition than that which can be accorded by the head of the department or agency in which he is employed. Generally, not more than five awards shall be made in any one year. Presentation of the award shall be made at such times as the President may determine.

"SEC. 7. The Board is authorized to prescribe the method and form for mak-

¹ 22 F.R. 4632; 3 CFR, 1954-1958 Comp., p. 380.

ing nominations for this award, but the Board shall not recommend a nominee for the award without the concurrence of the head of the agency in which the nominee was employed at the time of the achievement for which the award is recommended.

"SEC. 8. The Board shall be guided in the performance of its functions by the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of section 304 of the Government Employees' Incentive Awards Act, and by any additional criteria established by the Board. Persons appointed by the President shall not be eligible for this award unless, in the opinion of the Board, they are currently serving in a career position."

JOHN F. KENNEDY

THE WHITE HOUSE,
December 12, 1961.

Executive Order 10980
ESTABLISHING THE PRESIDENT'S
COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF
WOMEN

WHEREAS prejudices and outmoded customs act as barriers to the full realization of women's basic rights which should be respected and fostered as part of our Nation's commitment to human dignity, freedom, and democracy; and

WHEREAS measures that contribute to family security and strengthen home life will advance the general welfare; and

WHEREAS it is in the national interest to promote the economy, security, and national defense through the most efficient and effective utilization of the skills of all persons; and

WHEREAS in every period of national emergency women have served with distinction in widely varied capacities but thereafter have been subject to treatment as a marginal group whose skills have been inadequately utilized; and

WHEREAS women should be assured the opportunity to develop their capacities and fulfill their aspirations on a continuing basis irrespective of national exigencies; and

WHEREAS a Governmental Commission should be charged with the responsibility for developing recommendations for overcoming discriminations in government and private employment on the basis of sex and for developing recommendations for services which will enable

women to continue their role as wives and mothers while making a maximum contribution to the world around them:

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the United States by the Constitution and statutes of the United States, it is ordered as follows:

PART I—ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

SEC. 101. There is hereby established the President's Commission on the Status of Women, referred to herein as the "Commission". The Commission shall terminate not later than October 1, 1963.

SEC. 102. The Commission shall be composed of twenty members appointed by the President from among persons with a competency in the area of public affairs and women's activities. In addition, the Secretary of Labor, the Attorney General, the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of Agriculture and the Chairman of the Civil Service Commission shall also serve as members of the Commission. The President shall designate from among the membership a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, and an Executive Vice-Chairman.

SEC. 103. In conformity with the Act of May 3, 1945 (59 Stat. 134, 31 U.S.C. 691), necessary facilitating assistance, including the provision of suitable office space by the Department of Labor, shall be furnished the Commission by the Federal agencies whose chief officials are members thereof. An Executive Secretary shall be detailed by the Secretary of Labor to serve the Commission.

SEC. 104. The Commission shall meet at the call of the Chairman.

SEC. 105. The Commission is authorized to use the services of consultants and experts as may be found necessary and as may be otherwise authorized by law.

PART II—DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

SEC. 201. The Commission shall review progress and make recommendations as needed for constructive action in the following areas:

(a) Employment policies and practices, including those on wages, under Federal contracts.

(b) The functions so conferred by sections 3 (4), 4, 6, and 7 of the Act to the extent that they pertain to the functions delegated by the foregoing provisions of this section.

SEC. 4. *Functions reserved to the President.* There are hereby excluded from the functions delegated by the provisions of this order the functions conferred upon the President (a) with respect to the appointment of officers authorized to be appointed by the first proviso of section 3 (3) of the Act, (b) with respect to the transmittal of periodic reports to the Congress under section 9 of the Act, and (c) with respect to the waiver of provisions of law or limitations of authority under section 8 of the Act.

SEC. 5. *Procedures for coordination abroad.* The provisions of Part II of Executive Order No. 10575 of November 6, 1954¹ (19 F. R. 7249), are hereby extended and made applicable to the functions provided for in the Act and to United States agencies and personnel concerned with the administration abroad of the said functions.

SEC. 6. *Definition.* As used in this order, the word "functions" embraces duties, powers, responsibilities, authority, and discretion.

SEC. 7. *Prior directives and actions.* This order supersedes the provisions of the letters of the President to the Director of the United States Information Agency dated August 16, 1955, and August 21, 1956, and the letter of the President to the Secretary of State dated December 27, 1956 (22 F. R. 101-103); provided that this order shall not operate to terminate any authority to perform functions without regard to the provisions of law and limitations of authority specified in those letters. Except to the extent that they may be inconsistent with law or with this order, other directives, regulations, and actions relating to the functions delegated by this order and in force immediately prior to the issuance of this order shall remain in effect until amended, modified, or revoked by appropriate authority.

SEC. 8. *Effective date.* Without prejudice to anything done under proper authority with respect to any function under the Act at any time subsequent to the approval of the Act and prior to the

issuance of this order, the effective date of this order shall be deemed to be the date on which the Act was approved.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

THE WHITE HOUSE,
June 17, 1957.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 10717

THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED FEDERAL CIVILIAN SERVICE

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Government Employees' Incentive Awards Act, approved September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1112), and as President of the United States, it is ordered as follows:

SECTION 1. There is hereby established an honorary award for the recognition of distinguished service by civilian officers and employees of the Federal Government. The award shall be known as the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service, and shall consist of a gold medal, the design of which accompanies and is hereby made a part of this order, suspended on a ribbon of appropriate material and color, and accompanying appurtenances. Each medal shall be suitably inscribed, and an appropriate citation shall accompany each award.

SEC. 2. The President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service shall be presented by the President to civilian officers or employees of the Federal Government for exceptionally meritorious or outstanding civilian service performed in connection with or in relation to their official employment. Presentation of the award shall be made at such times as the President may determine; but not more than five awards shall be made in any one year. An award involving a group achievement shall be considered as a single award.

SEC. 3. There is hereby established the Distinguished Civilian Service Awards Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board), which shall consist of five members, appointed by the President from the Federal civilian service. The Chairman of the Board shall be designated by the President from the membership of the Board.

SEC. 4. The terms of service of the members of the Board shall be four years, except that the first term of service of two of the original members, other than the Chairman, shall be two years

¹ 3 CFR, 1954 Supp.

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instead of four years. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy on the Board occurring prior to the expiration of the term of his predecessor shall be appointed for the remainder of such term.

SEC. 5. The members of the Board shall serve as such without additional compensation. The Chairman of the Civil Service Commission, or his designated representative, shall serve as Executive Secretary of the Board, and the Civil Service Commission is requested to furnish the Board the necessary staff and other services.

SEC. 6. The Board shall advise and assist the President in the selection of persons to whom the award shall be tendered. In performing its functions, the Board shall carefully review recommendations submitted to it and decide which of them, if any, warrant presentation to the President, and shall transmit to the President, for his consideration, the names of those persons deemed by it to merit the award, together with its reasons therefor. Recipients for the award shall be selected by the President.

SEC. 7. Recommendations for the award may be made by the heads of executive departments and agencies. Each recommendation shall be made personally by the head of the department or agency in which the proposed recipient of the award is employed, and shall be submitted, with appropriate supporting material, to the Board for its consideration.

SEC. 8. The Board shall be guided in the performance of its functions by the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of section 304 of the Government Employees Incentive Awards Act, and by criteria and procedures established by it with the approval of the President. Such criteria shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(a) The significance and importance of the contribution to the Government or the public interest shall be so outstanding or exceptional that, in the opinion of the Board, the officer or employee is deserving of greater public commendation and official recognition than that which can be accorded by the head of the department or agency in which he is employed.

(b) Awards shall be made only to civilian career officers or employees of the Government, or to officers or employees

whose Federal service, in the opinion of the Board, can reasonably be considered as career service.

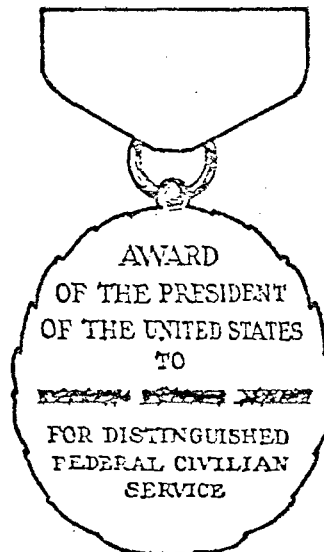
SEC. 9. This order shall become effective on July 1, 1957.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

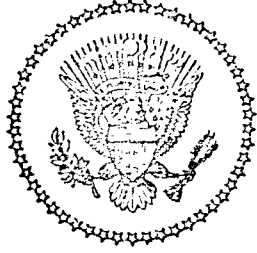
THE WHITE HOUSE,
June 27, 1957.



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Presentation of
The President's Award
for Distinguished
Federal Civilian Service

1971

The President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service is the highest honor designed for extraordinary achievement in the Federal career service.

This award, symbolized by a gold medal suspended from a blue and white neck ribbon, is granted to individuals of the career service whose achievements exemplify to an exceptional degree imagination, courage, and high ability in carrying out the mission of the Government.

President's Awards for 1971

Presented "with profound appreciation, high esteem and great personal satisfaction."

SAMUEL M. COHN

*Assistant Director for Budget Review
Office of Management and Budget*

U. ALEXIS JOHNSON

*Career Ambassador
Under Secretary for Political Affairs
Department of State*

EDWARD F. KNIPLING

*Director, Entomology Research Division
Agricultural Research Service
Department of Agriculture*

FRED LEONARD

*Scientific Director
Army Medical Biomechanical Research Laboratory
Walter Reed Army Medical Center
Department of the Army*

GEORGE H. WILLIS

*Deputy to the Assistant Secretary
for International Affairs
Department of the Treasury*

SAMUEL M. COHN

An outstanding fiscal policy manager, he has contributed brilliant and dedicated leadership in helping to make the Federal budget an effective device for dealing constructively with the problems and challenges of our Nation.

His authoritative knowledge, exceptional skills and wisdom have had a major influence on the development, improvement, and administration of the Federal budget process.

U. ALEXIS JOHNSON

A career ambassador, he has applied his extraordinary diplomatic skill and insight both on-the-scene at moments of world crisis and at the negotiating table in the most sensitive areas of the world.

His exceptional contributions to the Korean Armistice, the Cuban crisis, relations with Viet Nam, settlement of the status of Okinawa, and policy formulation in such new areas as outer space, have protected the vital interests of the United States.

EDWARD F. KNIPLING

An eminent research entomologist, he has made a major breakthrough in the effort to conquer disease-bearing and crop-destroying insects, thus improving the health and welfare of man.

Through his innovative talent and vision, revolutionary new techniques for the biological control of insects have been developed which promise reductions in environmental contamination and improvements in the health and food supplies of human beings throughout the world.

FRED LEONARD

A world-renowned medical research scientist, he has pioneered in the development of advanced surgical repair materials, and other techniques and devices which have saved critically wounded American soldiers and given them renewed hope for the future.

Through inspirational leadership and outstanding ability in the fields of research chemistry and biomedical engineering, he has successfully directed many interdisciplinary medical research efforts which have contributed significantly to the progress of medicine and to the health of all mankind.

GEORGE H. WILLIS

An internationally recognized financial statesman, he has made an unparalleled contribution to the formulation, negotiation, and implementation of the historic decision to create a new form of international reserves, Special Drawing Rights, which strengthen the international monetary system in an increasingly interdependent world.

His recent contribution climaxes a career of responsible representation of United States interests in virtually every major development in the field of international finance in the past quarter century.

Distinguished Civilian Service
Awards Board

CHAIRMAN

JOHN A. VOLPE
Secretary of Transportation

MEMBERS

ROBERT H. FINCH
Counsellor to the President

DAVID PACKARD
Deputy Secretary of Defense

ELLIOT L. RICHARDSON
Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare

ROCCO SICILIANO
Under Secretary of Commerce

PREVIOUS RECIPIENTS OF THE
PRESIDENT'S AWARD

1958

LOY W. HENDERSON
STERLING B. HENDRICKS
JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
ROGER W. JONES
WILLIAM B. McLEAN

1959

JAMES V. BENNETT
ROBERT D. MURPHY
DOYLE L. NORTHRUP
HAZEL K. STIEBELING
WERNHER VON BRAUN

1960

ANDREW BARR
HUGH L. DRYDEN
WILLIAM J. HOPKINS
DR. WINFRED OVERHOLSER
ROBERT M. PAGE

1961

BERT B. BARNES
WILBUR S. HINMAN, JR.
FREDERICK J. LAWTON
RICHARD E. McARDLE
WILLIAM McCAULEY

1962

J. STANLEY BAUGHMAN
ROBERT R. GILRUTH
DR. DONALD E. GREGG
DR. FRANCES O. KELSEY
WALDO K. LYON
LLEWELLYN E. THOMPSON, JR.

1963

WINTHROP G. BROWN
ALAIN C. ENTHOVEN
SHERMAN E. JOHNSON
DAVID D. THOMAS
FRED L. WHIPPLE

1964

JOHN DOAR
HERBERT FRIEDMAN
LYMAN B. KIRKPATRICK, JR.
BROMLEY K. SMITH

1965

HOWARD C. GRIEVES
HOMER E. NEWELL
FRANK B. ROWLETT
CLYDE A. TOLSON
PHILIP H. TREZISE
WILLIAM F. McCANDLESS

1966

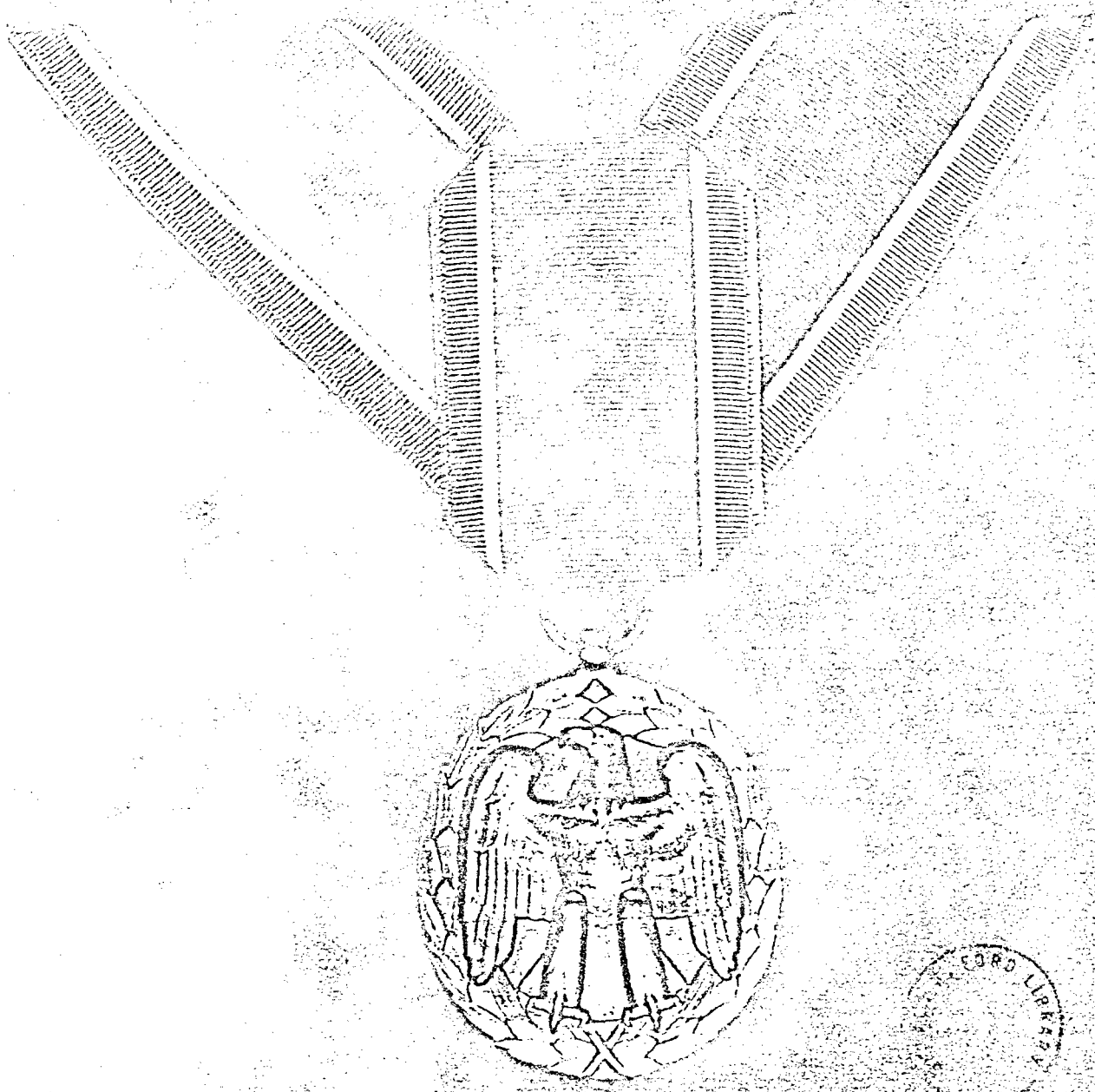
DR. ELSON B. HELWIG
ROBERT E. HOLLINGSWORTH
H. REX LEE
THOMAS C. MANN
DR. JAMES A. SHANNON

1967

MYRL E. ALEXANDER
ARTHUR E. HESS
SHERMAN KENT
C. PAYNE LUCAS
WILLIAM J. PORTER
CARL F. ROMNEY

1968

JAMES J. ROWLEY



AWARD OF THE
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
FOR
DISTINGUISHED FEDERAL CIVILIAN SERVICE



THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD
FOR DISTINGUISHED
FEDERAL CIVILIAN SERVICE

Is Given To

JAMES J. ROWLEY

To honor James J. Rowley is to honor the United States Secret Service, which he directs with unsurpassed skill and devotion. In more than 30 years of distinguished duty, he has come to personify the Service's noble tradition of courage and loyalty. The Secret Service protected America's electoral process itself in the recent political campaign, when violence and controversy were stronger than in any Presidential election of our time. Despite the tides of turbulence and tension, the Service enabled all the major candidates for the Presidency and Vice-Presidency to meet safely with the American people, in every part of our land. But Director Rowley has left his mark on more than the Secret Service. He symbolizes the strength of the American government. I am proud to commend him, in the name of all our people, as the guardian of our democracy.

The White House
November 25, 1968

A handwritten signature in dark ink, which appears to be "Richard M. Nixon".

Executive Order 11084**AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10995,¹ RELATING TO
TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

By virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 301 of Title 3 of the United States Code, and as President of the United States, it is ordered that Executive Order No. 10995 of February 16, 1962, headed "Assigning telecommunications management functions," be, and it is hereby, amended by substituting for Section 3 thereof the following:

"SEC. 3. (a) The authority to assign radio frequencies to Government agencies, vested in the President by subsection 305(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (47 U.S.C. 305(a)), including all functions heretofore vested in the Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee, is hereby delegated to the Director of the Office of Emergency Planning, who may redelegate such authority to the Director of Telecommunications Management. Such authority shall include the power to amend, modify, or revoke frequency assignments.

"(b) The authority to authorize a foreign government to construct and operate a radio station at the seat of government vested in the President by subsection 305(d) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (47 U.S.C. 305(d)), is hereby delegated to the Director of the Office of Emergency Planning who may redelegate such authority to the Director of Telecommunications Management. Authorization for the construction and operation of a radio station pursuant to this subsection and the assignment of a frequency for its use shall be made only upon recommendation of the Secretary of State and after consultation with the Attorney General and the Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission."

JOHN F. KENNEDY

THE WHITE HOUSE,
February 15, 1963.

Executive Order 11085**THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF FREEDOM**

By virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the United States, it is hereby ordered as follows:

SECTION 1. *Prior orders.* The numbered sections of Executive Order No. 9586 of July 6, 1945, as amended by Executive Order No. 10336 of April 3, 1952, are hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. *Medal established.* The Medal of Freedom is hereby re-established as the Presidential Medal of Freedom, with accompanying ribbons and appurtenances. The Presidential Medal of Freedom, hereinafter referred to as the Medal, shall be in two degrees.

"SEC. 2. *Award of the Medal.* (a) The Medal may be awarded by the President as provided in this order to any person who has made

¹27 F.R. 1519.



an especially meritorious contribution to (1) the security or national interests of the United States, or (2) world peace, or (3) cultural or other significant public or private endeavors.

“(b) The President may select for award of the Medal any person nominated by the Board referred to in Section 3(a) of this Order, any person otherwise recommended to the President for award of the Medal, or any person selected by the President upon his own initiative.

“(c) The principal announcement of awards of the Medal shall normally be made annually, on or about July 4 of each year; but such awards may be made at other times, as the President may deem appropriate.

“(d) Subject to the provisions of this Order, the Medal may be awarded posthumously.

“SEC. 3. *Distinguished Civilian Service Awards Board.* (a) The Distinguished Civilian Service Awards Board, established by Executive Order No. 10717 of June 27, 1957, hereinafter referred to as the Board, is hereby expanded, for the purpose of carrying out the objectives of this Order, to include five additional members appointed by the President from outside the Executive Branch of the Government. The terms of service of the members of the Board appointed under this paragraph shall be five years, except that the first five members so appointed shall have terms of service expiring on the 31st day of July 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, and 1968, respectively. Any person appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was appointed shall serve for the remainder of such term.

“(b) A chairman of the Board shall be designated by the President from time to time from among the membership of the Board appointed from the Executive Branch.

“(c) For purposes of recommending to the President persons to receive the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service, and to carry out the other purposes of Executive Order No. 10717, only the members of the Board from the Executive Branch will sit. The names of persons so recommended will be submitted to the President without reference to the other members of the Board.

“SEC. 4. *Functions of the Board.* (a) Any individual or group may make recommendations to the Board with respect to the award of the Medal, and the Board shall consider such recommendations.

“(b) With due regard for the provisions of Section 2 of this Order, the Board shall screen such recommendations and, on the basis of such recommendations or upon its own motion, shall from time to time submit to the President nominations of individuals for award of the Medal, in appropriate degrees.

“SEC. 5. *Expenses.* Necessary administrative expenses of the Board incurred in connection with the recommendation of persons to receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom, including expenses of travel of members of the Board appointed under Section 3(a) of this

Order, during the fiscal year 1963, may be paid from the appropriation provided under the heading 'Special Projects' in the Executive Office Appropriation Act, 1963, 76 Stat. 315, and during subsequent fiscal years, to the extent permitted by law, from any corresponding or like appropriation made available for such fiscal years. Such payments shall be without regard to the provisions of section 3681 of the Revised Statutes and section 9 of the Act of March 4, 1909, 35 Stat. 1027 (31 U.S.C. 672 and 673). Members of the Board appointed under Section 3(a) of this Order shall serve without compensation.

"SEC. 6. *Design of the Medal.* The Army Institute of Heraldry shall prepare for the approval of the President a design of the Medal in each of its degrees."

SEC. 2. *Other existing orders.* (a) Section 4 of Executive Order No. 10717, establishing the terms of service of the members of the Distinguished Civilian Service Awards Board, is hereby amended to read "The members of the Board shall serve at the pleasure of the President.", and the other sections of that Order are amended conformably to this Order.

(b) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Order, existing arrangements for conferring medals and honors shall continue in effect.

JOHN F. KENNEDY

THE WHITE HOUSE,
February 22, 1963.

Executive Order 11086

AMENDMENT OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 10587¹ RELATING TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF SECTION 32(h) OF THE TRADING WITH THE ENEMY ACT

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended (50 U.S.C. App. 1 *et seq.*), and by section 301 of title 3 of the United States Code (65 Stat. 713), and as President of the United States, it is ordered that sections 1, 2 and 3 of Executive Order No. 10587 of January 13, 1955 (20 F.R. 361) are amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. The Jewish Restitution Successor Organization, a charitable membership organization incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, is hereby designated as successor in interest to deceased persons in accordance with and for the purposes of subsection (h) of section 32 of the Trading with the Enemy Act, as added by the Act of August 23, 1954 (68 Stat. 767), and amended by section 204(a) of Public Law 87-846, approved October 22, 1962 (76 Stat. 1114).

"SEC. 2. Exclusive of the designation of the Jewish Restitution Successor Organization under section 1 of this Order and the exercise

¹ 3 CFR, 1954-1958 Comp., p. 235; 20 F.R. 361.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 4, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE
DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

It is a great pleasure for me to announce that the President's Awards for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service are being made to these members of the career service:

Samuel M. Cohn, Assistant Director for Budget Review,
Office of Management and Budget.

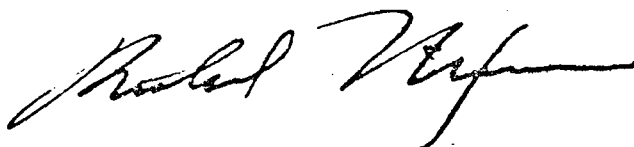
U. Alexis Johnson, Career Ambassador, Under Secretary
for Political Affairs, Department of State.

Dr. Edward F. Knipling, Director, Entomology Research
Division, Agricultural Research Service, Department of
Agriculture.

Dr. Fred Leonard, Scientific Director, Army Medical
Biomechanical Research Laboratory, Walter Reed Army
Medical Center, Department of the Army.

George H. Willis, Deputy to the Assistant Secretary for
International Affairs, Department of the Treasury.

These individuals are outstanding among the many men and women who serve their country and fellow citizens with great distinction. Their exceptional achievements have moved the Nation forward in such diverse fields as budgeting and finance, international relations, environmental science, lifesaving surgical techniques, and the world's monetary system. I know all of you share my gratitude for their superlative, although usually anonymous services to their country.



AUTHORITY: E.O. 10717, June 27, 1957
 E.O. 10979, December 12, 1961
 E.O. 11085, February 22, 1963 NOTE in
 E.O. 11515, March 13, 1970 (See/VOL. X, p. 840)

METHOD: Appointed by the President

MEMBERS: FIVE from the Federal civilian service

CHAIRMAN: Designated by the President from time to time from among the membership of the Board

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY: The Chairman of the Civil Service Commission or his designated representative

TERM: Pleasure of the President

SALARY: Without additional compensation

PURPOSE: To recommend to the President persons to receive the President's award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service. The award is to be made for exceptionally meritorious or outstanding civilian service performed in connection with or in relation to their official employment.

| DISTINGUISHED CIVILIAN SERVICE AWARDS BOARD | Department | | Subject |
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| | INDEPENDENT | | MEMBERS: 5 |
| MEMBERS: FIVE from the Federal civilian service | STATE | APPOINTED BY LTR | VICE |
| ✓ VOLPE, John A. (R) Secretary of Transportation | (Mass.) | 7/27/70 | Initial appointment |
| ✓ FINCH, Robert H. (R) Counsellor to the President | (Calif.) | " | " |
| ✓ RICHARDSON, Elliot L. (R) Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare | (Mass.) | " | " |
| ✓ PACKARD, David (R) Deputy Secretary of Defense | (Calif.) | " | " |
| ✓ SICILIANO, Rocco (R) Under Secretary of Commerce | (Calif.) | " | " |
| (RSiciliano rsgd. as Under Sec. of Commerce eff. 4/9/71) (David Packard rsgd. as Deputy Secretary of Defense eff. 12/13/71) | | | |

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| ✓ RUSH, Kenneth (R) Deputy Secretary of Defense | (N. Y.) | 4/20/72 | DPackard |
| ✓ PECORA, William T. (R) Under Secretary of the Interior | (N. J.) | 4/20/72 | RCSiciliano |
| (WTPecora, died 7/19/72) | | | |
| (RHFinch rsgd as Counsellor to the President eff. on or before 12/31/72.) (Resignation effective 12/15/72, per J. Rogers.) | | | |
| (JAVolpe, nominated 1/3/73 to be Ambassador to Italy; appointed 2/2/73) | | | |
| (RRichardson rsgd. 10/20/73 as Attorney General no eff. date; acc. 10/20/73 no eff. date) | | | |
| (KRush nominated to be Ambassador to France, 9/5/74; appointed 9/13/74) | | | |

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 2, 1976



MEMORANDUM FOR:

PHIL BUCHEN

FROM:

JIM CONNOR *JEC*

SUBJECT:

Nomination of Julia Vadala Taft
for the PRESIDENT'S Award for
Distinguished Federal Civilian
Service

You will recall that the attached memorandum from Secretary Kissinger and Secretary Mathews was staffed to members of the senior staff. Jack Marsh was the only staff member to observe that Mrs. Taft is ineligible for this award since she is not a career civilian.

You are requested to research this recommendation to see if in fact Mrs. Taft is eligible for the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service.

If she is not eligible, is there a Presidential award it would be legal for her to receive?

Some background material on the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service is attached for your review. (TAB A).

Committee for the Preservation of the White House

1000 Ohio Drive SW., Washington, D.C. 20542. Phone, 202-426-6622.

Executive Secretary.—Elmer S. Atkins.

The Committee was established to report to the President and advise the Director of the National Park Service with respect to the preservation and interpretation of the museum character of the principal corridor on the ground floor and the principal public rooms on the first floor of the White House. Among other things, the Committee makes recommendations as to articles of furniture, fixtures, and decorative objects which shall be used and displayed in the aforesaid areas of the White House and as to the decorative arrangements therein best suited to enhance the historic and artistic values of the White House and of such articles, fixtures, and objects (EO 11145 Mar. 7, 1964, as amended by EO 11665 of Oct. 13, 1970).

Committee for Purchase from the Blind and Other Severely Handicapped

19 N. Fourteenth Street, Arlington, Va. 22201. Phone, 703-557-1145.

Executive Director.—Charles W. Fletcher.

The Committee was established to disburse procurement of selected commodities and services of the Federal Government to qualified nonprofit agencies employing blind and other severely handicapped individuals with the objective of increasing employment opportunities for these individuals (85 Stat. 77; U.S.C. 46-48).

Delaware River Basin Commission

Office of the U.S. Commissioner: Room 777, Department of the Interior Building, Washington, D.C. 20240. Phone, 202-576-5761.

Office of the Executive Director: 25 State Street Drive (P.O. Box 360), Trenton, N.J. 08603. Phone, 609-883-9500.

Executive Director.—James F. Wright.

The Commission, a Federal-Interstate Compact organization, is responsible for the management of projects and activities within the Delaware River Basin, which will provide regulation and development of ground and surface water supplies for municipal, industrial, and agricultural uses; abatement of stream pollution; flood damage reduction; promotion of forestry, soil conservation and watershed projects; propagation of fish and wildlife; development of water-related recreational facilities; and development of hydroelectric power potentialities.

The Federal Government is represented by the U.S. Commissioner and the Secretary of the Interior, who is the Federal member. The State members are the Governors of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Delaware, *ex officio* (75 Stat. 688).

Distinguished Civilian Service Awards Board

Civil Service Commission Building, Washington, D.C. 20415. Phone, 202-632-5568.

Executive Secretary.—Richard P. Brengel.

The Board was established to advise and assist the President in the selection of Federal career officials to whom the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service should be granted (EO 10717 of June 27, 1957).

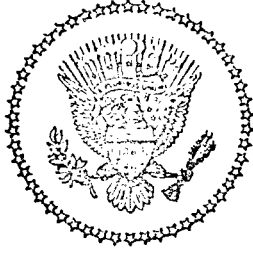
Export Administration Review Board

Commerce Building, Washington, D.C. 20230. Phone, 202-967-3127.

Executive Secretary.—Aaron Tollin.

The Board was established to assure the highest level of consideration of trade control policies and actions and to obtain, as far as possible, agreed action among the departments chiefly concerned with advising the Secretary of Commerce in administering U.S. export controls (EO 11533 of June 4, 1970).





Presentation of
The President's Award
for Distinguished
Federal Civilian Service

1971

The President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service is the highest honor designed for extraordinary achievement in the Federal career service.

This award, symbolized by a gold medal suspended from a blue and white neck ribbon, is granted to individuals of the career service whose achievements exemplify to an exceptional degree imagination, courage, and high ability in carrying out the mission of the Government.

President's Awards for 1971

Presented "with profound appreciation, high esteem and great personal satisfaction."

SAMUEL M. COHN
Assistant Director for Budget Review
Office of Management and Budget

U. ALEXIS JOHNSON
Career Ambassador
Under Secretary for Political Affairs
Department of State

EDWARD F. KNIPLING
Director, Entomology Research Division
Agricultural Research Service
Department of Agriculture

FRED LEONARD
Scientific Director
Army Medical Biomechanical Research Laboratory
Walter Reed Army Medical Center
Department of the Army

GEORGE H. WILLIS
Deputy to the Assistant Secretary
for International Affairs
Department of the Treasury



SAMUEL M. COHN

An outstanding fiscal policy manager, he has contributed brilliant and dedicated leadership in helping to make the Federal budget an effective device for dealing constructively with the problems and challenges of our Nation.

His authoritative knowledge, exceptional skills and wisdom have had a major influence on the development, improvement, and administration of the Federal budget process.

U. ALEXIS JOHNSON

A career ambassador, he has applied his extraordinary diplomatic skill and insight both on-the-scene at moments of world crisis and at the negotiating table in the most sensitive areas of the world.

His exceptional contributions to the Korean Armistice, the Cuban crisis, relations with Viet Nam, settlement of the status of Okinawa, and policy formulation in such new areas as outer space, have protected the vital interests of the United States.

EDWARD F. KNIPLING

An eminent research entomologist, he has made a major breakthrough in the effort to conquer disease-bearing and crop-destroying insects, thus improving the health and welfare of man.

Through his innovative talent and vision, revolutionary new techniques for the biological control of insects have been developed which promise reductions in environmental contamination and improvements in the health and food supplies of human beings throughout the world.

FRED LEONARD

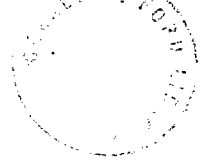
A world-renowned medical research scientist, he has pioneered in the development of advanced surgical repair materials, and other techniques and devices which have saved critically wounded American soldiers and given them renewed hope for the future.

Through inspirational leadership and outstanding ability in the fields of research chemistry and biomedical engineering, he has successfully directed many interdisciplinary medical research efforts which have contributed significantly to the progress of medicine and to the health of all mankind.

GEORGE H. WILLIS

An internationally recognized financial statesman, he has made an unparalleled contribution to the formulation, negotiation, and implementation of the historic decision to create a new form of international reserves, Special Drawing Rights, which strengthen the international monetary system in an increasingly interdependent world.

His recent contribution climaxes a career of responsible representation of United States interests in virtually every major development in the field of international finance in the past quarter century.



Distinguished Civilian Service
Awards Board

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JOHN A. VOLPE
Secretary of Transportation

MEMBERS

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DAVID PACKARD
Deputy Secretary of Defense

ELLIOT L. RICHARDSON
Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare

ROCCO SICILIANO
Under Secretary of Commerce

PREVIOUS RECIPIENTS OF THE
PRESIDENT'S AWARD

1958

LOY W. HENDERSON
STERLING B. HENDRICKS
JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
ROGER W. JONES
WILLIAM B. McLEAN

1959

JAMES V. BENNETT
ROBERT D. MURPHY
DOYLE L. NORTHRUP
HAZEL K. STIEBELING
WERNHER VON BRAUN

1960

ANDREW BARR
HUGH L. DRYDEN
WILLIAM J. HOPKINS
DR. WINFRED OVERHOLSER
ROBERT M. PAGE

1961

BERT B. BARNES
WILBUR S. HINMAN, JR.
FREDERICK J. LAWTON
RICHARD E. McARDLE
WILLIAM McCAULEY

1962

J. STANLEY BAUGHMAN
ROBERT R. GILRUTH
DR. DONALD E. GREGG
DR. FRANCES O. KELSEY
WALDO K. LYON
LLEWELLYN E. THOMPSON, JR.

1963

WINTHROP G. BROWN
ALAIN C. ENTHOVEN
SHERMAN E. JOHNSON
DAVID D. THOMAS
FRED L. WHIPPLE

1964

JOHN DOAR
HERBERT FRIEDMAN
LYMAN B. KIRKPATRICK, JR.
BROMLEY K. SMITH

1965

HOWARD C. GRIEVES
HOMER E. NEWELL
FRANK B. ROWLETT
CLYDE A. TOLSON
PHILIP H. TREZISE
WILLIAM F. McCANDLESS

1966

DR. ELSON B. HELWIG
ROBERT E. HOLLINGSWORTH
H. REX LEE
THOMAS C. MANN
DR. JAMES A. SHANNON

1967

MYRL E. ALEXANDER
ARTHUR E. HESS
SHERMAN KENT
C. PAYNE LUCAS
WILLIAM J. PORTER
CARL F. ROMNEY

1968

JAMES J. ROWLEY





AWARD OF THE
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
FOR
DISTINGUISHED FEDERAL CIVILIAN SERVICE



THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD
FOR DISTINGUISHED
FEDERAL CIVILIAN SERVICE

Is Given To

JAMES J. ROWLEY

To honor James J. Rowley is to honor the United States Secret Service, which he directs with unsurpassed skill and devotion.

In more than 30 years of distinguished duty, he has come to personify the Service's noble tradition of courage and loyalty.

The Secret Service protected America's electoral process itself in the recent political campaign, when violence and controversy were stronger than in any Presidential election of our time. Despite the tides of turbulence and tension, the Service enabled all the major candidates for the Presidency and Vice Presidency to meet safely with the American people, in every part of our land.

But Director Rowley has left his mark on more than the Secret Service.

He symbolizes the strength of the American government.

I am proud to commend him, in the name of all our people, as the guardian of our democracy.

The White House
November 25, 1968

(b) The functions so conferred by sections 3 (4), 4, 6, and 7 of the Act to the extent that they pertain to the functions delegated by the foregoing provisions of this section.

SEC. 4. Functions reserved to the President. There are hereby excluded from the functions delegated by the provisions of this order the functions conferred upon the President (a) with respect to the appointment of officers authorized to be appointed by the first proviso of section 3 (3) of the Act, (b) with respect to the transmittal of periodic reports to the Congress under section 9 of the Act, and (c) with respect to the waiver of provisions of law or limitations of authority under section 8 of the Act.

SEC. 5. Procedures for coordination abroad. The provisions of Part II of Executive Order No. 10575 of November 6, 1954¹ (19 F. R. 7249), are hereby extended and made applicable to the functions provided for in the Act and to United States agencies and personnel concerned with the administration abroad of the said functions.

SEC. 6. Definition. As used in this order, the word "functions" embraces duties, powers, responsibilities, authority, and discretion.

SEC. 7. Prior directives and actions. This order supersedes the provisions of the letters of the President to the Director of the United States Information Agency dated August 16, 1955, and August 21, 1956, and the letter of the President to the Secretary of State dated December 27, 1956 (22 F. R. 101-103); provided that this order shall not operate to terminate any authority to perform functions without regard to the provisions of law and limitations of authority specified in those letters. Except to the extent that they may be inconsistent with law or with this order, other directives, regulations, and actions relating to the functions delegated by this order and in force immediately prior to the issuance of this order shall remain in effect until amended, modified, or revoked by appropriate authority.

SEC. 8. Effective date. Without prejudice to anything done under proper authority with respect to any function under the Act at any time subsequent to the approval of the Act and prior to the

issuance of this order, the effective date of this order shall be deemed to be the date on which the Act was approved.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

THE WHITE HOUSE,
June 17, 1957.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 10717

THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED FEDERAL CIVILIAN SERVICE

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Government Employees' Incentive Awards Act, approved September 1, 1954 (68 Stat. 1112), and as President of the United States, it is ordered as follows:

SECTION 1. There is hereby established an honorary award for the recognition of distinguished service by civilian officers and employees of the Federal Government. The award shall be known as the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service, and shall consist of a gold medal, the design of which accompanies and is hereby made a part of this order, suspended on a ribbon of appropriate material and color, and accompanying appurtenances. Each medal shall be suitably inscribed, and an appropriate citation shall accompany each award.

SEC. 2. The President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service shall be presented by the President to civilian officers or employees of the Federal Government for exceptionally meritorious or outstanding civilian service performed in connection with or in relation to their official employment. Presentation of the award shall be made at such times as the President may determine; but not more than five awards shall be made in any one year. An award involving a group achievement shall be considered as a single award.

SEC. 3. There is hereby established the Distinguished Civilian Service Awards Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board), which shall consist of five members, appointed by the President from the Federal civilian service. The Chairman of the Board shall be designated by the President from the membership of the Board.

SEC. 4. The terms of service of the members of the Board shall be four years, except that the first term of service of two of the original members, other than the Chairman, shall be two years

¹ 3 CFR, 1954 Supp.

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instead of four years. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy on the Board occurring prior to the expiration of the term of his predecessor shall be appointed for the remainder of such term.

SEC. 5. The members of the Board shall serve as such without additional compensation. The Chairman of the Civil Service Commission, or his designated representative, shall serve as Executive Secretary of the Board, and the Civil Service Commission is requested to furnish the Board the necessary staff and other services.

SEC. 6. The Board shall advise and assist the President in the selection of persons to whom the award shall be tendered. In performing its functions, the Board shall carefully review recommendations submitted to it and decide which of them, if any, warrant presentation to the President, and shall transmit to the President, for his consideration, the names of those persons deemed by it to merit the award, together with its reasons therefor. Recipients for the award shall be selected by the President.

SEC. 7. Recommendations for the award may be made by the heads of executive departments and agencies. Each recommendation shall be made personally by the head of the department or agency in which the proposed recipient of the award is employed, and shall be submitted, with appropriate supporting material, to the Board for its consideration.

SEC. 8. The Board shall be guided in the performance of its functions by the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of section 304 of the Government Employees Incentive Awards Act, and by criteria and procedures established by it with the approval of the President. Such criteria shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(a) The significance and importance of the contribution to the Government or the public interest shall be so outstanding or exceptional that, in the opinion of the Board, the officer or employee is deserving of greater public commendation and official recognition than that which can be accorded by the head of the department or agency in which he is employed.

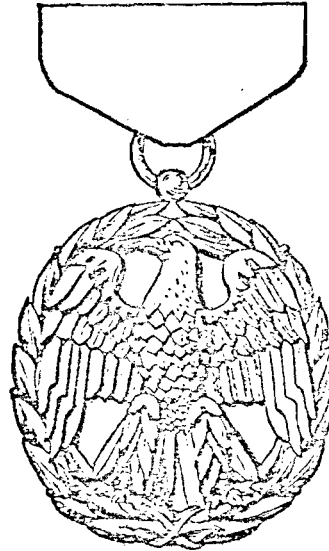
(b) Awards shall be made only to civilian career officers or employees of the Government, or to officers or employees

whose Federal service, in the opinion of the Board, can reasonably be considered as career service.

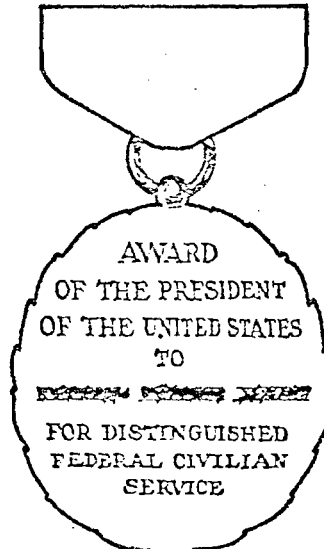
SEC. 9. This order shall become effective on July 1, 1957.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

THE WHITE HOUSE,
June 27, 1957.



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Executive Order 10979

AMENDMENT OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10717,¹ ESTABLISHING THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR DIS- TINGUISHED FEDERAL CIVILIAN SERVICE

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Government Employees' Incentive Awards Act (68 Stat. 1112), and as President of the United States, it is ordered that Executive Order No. 10717 of June 27, 1957, be amended by substituting for section 2, 7, and 8 thereof the following:

"SEC. 2. (a) The President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service shall be presented by the President to civilian officers or employees of the Federal Government for the best achievements having current impact in improving Government operations or serving the public interest. These achievements shall exemplify one or more of the following:

(1) Imagination in developing creative solutions to problems of government.

(2) Courage in persevering against great odds and difficulties.

(3) High ability in accomplishing extraordinary scientific or technological achievement, in providing outstanding leadership in planning, organizing, or directing a major program of unusual importance and complexity, or in performing an extraordinary act of credit to the Government and the country.

(4) Long and distinguished career service.

"(b) The importance of the achievements to the Government and to the public interest shall be so outstanding that the officer or employee is deserving of greater public recognition than that which can be accorded by the head of the department or agency in which he is employed. Generally, not more than five awards shall be made in any one year. Presentation of the award shall be made at such times as the President may determine.

"SEC. 7. The Board is authorized to prescribe the method and form for mak-

¹ 22 F.R. 4632; 3 CFR, 1954-1958 Comp., p. 380.

SECTION 1. An award program for significant contributions to the Export Expansion Program is hereby established.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of Commerce, in cooperation with the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of Agriculture, the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, and the heads of other Government departments and agencies, shall establish procedures for the nomination of persons, firms, and organizations for awards and the granting of awards, and for such other matters as may be incidental thereto.

SEC. 3. There shall be two types of awards, as follows:

- (a) The President's "E" Award; and
- (b) The President's "E" Certificate of Service.

SEC. 4. The President's "E" Award may be made to persons, firms, and organizations engaged in the marketing of products who make significant contributions to the expansion of the export trade of the United States. It shall consist of a flag having a field of white upon which will appear a blue "E". It shall be further evidenced by an "E" Award Certificate, which shall cite the recipient's contribution, and shall be appropriately executed in the name and by the authority of the President.

SEC. 5. A special "E" Certificate of Service may be awarded to persons, firms, and organizations who make contributions to export expansion, but who are engaged in activities other than the marketing of products. The special "E" Certificate of Service shall cite the recipient's contribution, and shall be appropriately executed in the name and by the authority of the President.

SEC. 6. A recipient of either type of award may be authorized to issue to his employees a suitably designed pin inscribed with the President's "E", to display a designated style of award emblem in his advertising, and to make other appropriate use of the emblem.

JOHN F. KENNEDY

THE WHITE HOUSE,
December 5, 1961.

ing nominations for this award, but the Board shall not recommend a nominee for the award without the concurrence of the head of the agency in which the nominee was employed at the time of the achievement for which the award is recommended.

"Sec. 8. The Board shall be guided in the performance of its functions by the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of section 304 of the Government Employees' Incentive Awards Act, and by any additional criteria established by the Board. Persons appointed by the President shall not be eligible for this award unless, in the opinion of the Board, they are currently serving in a career position."

JOHN F. KENNEDY

THE WHITE HOUSE,
December 12, 1961.

Executive Order 10980

ESTABLISHING THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

WHEREAS prejudices and outmoded customs act as barriers to the full realization of women's basic rights which should be respected and fostered as part of our Nation's commitment to human dignity, freedom, and democracy; and

WHEREAS measures that contribute to family security and strengthen home life will advance the general welfare; and

WHEREAS it is in the national interest to promote the economy, security, and national defense through the most efficient and effective utilization of the skills of all persons; and

WHEREAS in every period of national emergency women have served with distinction in widely varied capacities but thereafter have been subject to treatment as a marginal group whose skills have been inadequately utilized; and

WHEREAS women should be assured the opportunity to develop their capacities and fulfill their aspirations on a continuing basis irrespective of national exigencies; and

WHEREAS a Governmental Commission should be charged with the responsibility for developing recommendations for overcoming discriminations in government and private employment on the basis of sex and for developing recommendations for services which will enable

women to continue their role as wives and mothers while making a maximum contribution to the world around them:

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the United States by the Constitution and statutes of the United States, it is ordered as follows:

PART I—ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

SEC. 101. There is hereby established the President's Commission on the Status of Women, referred to herein as the "Commission". The Commission shall terminate not later than October 1, 1963.

SEC. 102. The Commission shall be composed of twenty members appointed by the President from among persons with a competency in the area of public affairs and women's activities. In addition, the Secretary of Labor, the Attorney General, the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of Agriculture and the Chairman of the Civil Service Commission shall also serve as members of the Commission. The President shall designate from among the membership a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, and an Executive Vice-Chairman.

SEC. 103. In conformity with the Act of May 3, 1945 (59 Stat. 134, 31 U.S.C. 691), necessary facilitating assistance, including the provision of suitable office space by the Department of Labor, shall be furnished the Commission by the Federal agencies whose chief officials are members thereof. An Executive Secretary shall be detailed by the Secretary of Labor to serve the Commission.

SEC. 104. The Commission shall meet at the call of the Chairman.

SEC. 105. The Commission is authorized to use the services of consultants and experts as may be found necessary and as may be otherwise authorized by law.

PART II—DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

SEC. 201. The Commission shall review progress and make recommendations as needed for constructive action in the following areas:

(a) Employment policies and practices, including those on wages, under Federal contracts.

Executive Order 11084**AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10995,¹ RELATING TO
TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

By virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 301 of Title 3 of the United States Code, and as President of the United States, it is ordered that Executive Order No. 10995 of February 16, 1962, headed "Assigning telecommunications management functions," be, and it is hereby, amended by substituting for Section 3 thereof the following:

"SEC. 3. (a) The authority to assign radio frequencies to Government agencies, vested in the President by subsection 305(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (47 U.S.C. 305(a)), including all functions heretofore vested in the Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee, is hereby delegated to the Director of the Office of Emergency Planning, who may redelegate such authority to the Director of Telecommunications Management. Such authority shall include the power to amend, modify, or revoke frequency assignments.

"(b) The authority to authorize a foreign government to construct and operate a radio station at the seat of government vested in the President by subsection 305(d) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (47 U.S.C. 305(d)), is hereby delegated to the Director of the Office of Emergency Planning who may redelegate such authority to the Director of Telecommunications Management. Authorization for the construction and operation of a radio station pursuant to this subsection and the assignment of a frequency for its use shall be made only upon recommendation of the Secretary of State and after consultation with the Attorney General and the Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission."

JOHN F. KENNEDY

THE WHITE HOUSE,
February 15, 1963.

Executive Order 11085**THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF FREEDOM**

By virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the United States, it is hereby ordered as follows:

SECTION 1. *Prior orders.* The numbered sections of Executive Order No. 9586 of July 6, 1945, as amended by Executive Order No. 10336 of April 3, 1952, are hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. *Medal established.* The Medal of Freedom is hereby re-established as the Presidential Medal of Freedom, with accompanying ribbons and appurtenances. The Presidential Medal of Freedom, hereinafter referred to as the Medal, shall be in two degrees.

"SEC. 2. *Award of the Medal.* (a) The Medal may be awarded by the President as provided in this order to any person who has made

¹27 F.R. 1519.

an especially meritorious contribution to (1) the security or national interests of the United States, or (2) world peace, or (3) cultural or other significant public or private endeavors.

“(b) The President may select for award of the Medal any person nominated by the Board referred to in Section 3(a) of this Order, any person otherwise recommended to the President for award of the Medal, or any person selected by the President upon his own initiative.

“(c) The principal announcement of awards of the Medal shall normally be made annually, on or about July 4 of each year; but such awards may be made at other times, as the President may deem appropriate.

“(d) Subject to the provisions of this Order, the Medal may be awarded posthumously.

“SEC. 3. *Distinguished Civilian Service Awards Board.* (a) The Distinguished Civilian Service Awards Board, established by Executive Order No. 10717 of June 27, 1957, hereinafter referred to as the Board, is hereby expanded, for the purpose of carrying out the objectives of this Order, to include five additional members appointed by the President from outside the Executive Branch of the Government. The terms of service of the members of the Board appointed under this paragraph shall be five years, except that the first five members so appointed shall have terms of service expiring on the 31st day of July 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, and 1968, respectively. Any person appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was appointed shall serve for the remainder of such term.

“(b) A chairman of the Board shall be designated by the President from time to time from among the membership of the Board appointed from the Executive Branch.

“(c) For purposes of recommending to the President persons to receive the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service, and to carry out the other purposes of Executive Order No. 10717, only the members of the Board from the Executive Branch will sit. The names of persons so recommended will be submitted to the President without reference to the other members of the Board.

“SEC. 4. *Functions of the Board.* (a) Any individual or group may make recommendations to the Board with respect to the award of the Medal, and the Board shall consider such recommendations.

“(b) With due regard for the provisions of Section 2 of this Order, the Board shall screen such recommendations and, on the basis of such recommendations or upon its own motion, shall from time to time submit to the President nominations of individuals for award of the Medal, in appropriate degrees.

“SEC. 5. *Expenses.* Necessary administrative expenses of the Board incurred in connection with the recommendation of persons to receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom, including expenses of travel of members of the Board appointed under Section 3(a) of this

Order, during the fiscal year 1963, may be paid from the appropriation provided under the heading 'Special Projects' in the Executive Office Appropriation Act, 1963, 76 Stat. 315, and during subsequent fiscal years, to the extent permitted by law, from any corresponding or like appropriation made available for such fiscal years. Such payments shall be without regard to the provisions of section 3681 of the Revised Statutes and section 9 of the Act of March 4, 1909, 35 Stat. 1027 (31 U.S.C. 672 and 673). Members of the Board appointed under Section 3(a) of this Order shall serve without compensation.

"SEC. 6. *Design of the Medal.* The Army Institute of Heraldry shall prepare for the approval of the President a design of the Medal in each of its degrees."

SEC. 2. *Other existing orders.* (a) Section 4 of Executive Order No. 10717, establishing the terms of service of the members of the Distinguished Civilian Service Awards Board, is hereby amended to read "The members of the Board shall serve at the pleasure of the President.", and the other sections of that Order are amended conformably to this Order.

(b) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Order, existing arrangements for conferring medals and honors shall continue in effect.

JOHN F. KENNEDY

THE WHITE HOUSE,
February 22, 1963.

Executive Order 11086

AMENDMENT OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 10587¹ RELATING TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF SECTION 32(h) OF THE TRADING WITH THE ENEMY ACT

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended (50 U.S.C. App. 1 *et seq.*), and by section 301 of title 3 of the United States Code (65 Stat. 713), and as President of the United States, it is ordered that sections 1, 2 and 3 of Executive Order No. 10587 of January 13, 1955 (20 F.R. 361) are amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. The Jewish Restitution Successor Organization, a charitable membership organization incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, is hereby designated as successor in interest to deceased persons in accordance with and for the purposes of subsection (h) of section 32 of the Trading with the Enemy Act, as added by the Act of August 23, 1954 (68 Stat. 767), and amended by section 204(a) of Public Law 87-846, approved October 22, 1962 (76 Stat. 1114).

"SEC. 2. Exclusive of the designation of the Jewish Restitution Successor Organization under section 1 of this Order and the exercise

¹ 3 CFR, 1954-1958 Comp., p. 235; 20 F.R. 361.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 4, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE
DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

It is a great pleasure for me to announce that the President's Awards for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service are being made to these members of the career service:

Samuel M. Cohn, Assistant Director for Budget Review,
Office of Management and Budget.


U. Alexis Johnson, Career Ambassador, Under Secretary
for Political Affairs, Department of State.

Dr. Edward F. Knipling, Director, Entomology Research
Division, Agricultural Research Service, Department of
Agriculture.

Dr. Fred Leonard, Scientific Director, Army Medical
Biomechanical Research Laboratory, Walter Reed Army
Medical Center, Department of the Army.

George H. Willis, Deputy to the Assistant Secretary for
International Affairs, Department of the Treasury.

These individuals are outstanding among the many men and women who serve their country and fellow citizens with great distinction. Their exceptional achievements have moved the Nation forward in such diverse fields as budgeting and finance, international relations, environmental science, lifesaving surgical techniques, and the world's monetary system. I know all of you share my gratitude for their superlative, although usually anonymous services to their country.





EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

MAR 8 - 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR JIM CONNOR

FROM: PAUL H. O'NEILL

O'Neill



SUBJECT: Proposed Award for Julia Taft

I agree with the recommendation to recognize Julia Taft for her contribution to the Indochina refugee resettlement effort.

You should know, however, that the proposed award - For Distinguished Federal Civilian Service - is for those occupying career positions. Since Julia is not a career employee, the President would have to waive this requirement in this case.

As an alternative, you might consider a Presidential letter of commendation. With an appropriate ceremony, this recognition would accomplish the same purpose.

Attachments

PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED FEDERAL CIVILIAN SERVICE

The award may be presented for the best achievements having current impact in improving Government operations or serving the public interest. These achievements shall exemplify one or more of the following:

- (a) Imagination in developing creative solutions to problems in Government; or
- (b) Courage in persevering against great odds and difficulties; or
- (c) High ability in accomplishing extraordinary scientific or technological achievement, in providing outstanding leadership in planning, organizing, or directing a major program of unusual importance and complexity, or in performing an extraordinary act of credit to the Government and the country; or
- (d) Long and distinguished career service.

The importance of the achievements to the Government and to the public interest shall be so outstanding that the employee is deserving of greater public recognition than that which can be granted by the head of the agency in which he is employed.

Federal employees serving by presidential appointment in non-career positions are not eligible for the award.

SUBMISSION AND REVIEW OF NOMINATIONS

Nominations are invited from the heads of the departments and agencies for exceptional achievements of career employees of their own agency, or employees of other agencies when they have knowledge of such achievement. Nominations shall be sent to: Executive Secretary, Distinguished Civilian Service Awards Board, Room 3416, U.S. Civil Service Commission.

Executive Order 10717, as amended by Executive Order 10979 established the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service and created the Distinguished Service Awards Board. The Board is directed to review recommendations for the Award and decide which of them warrant presentation to the President for his consideration. Generally, not more than five awards will be made in any one year.

PUBLICITY

No information is to be released on the nominations for the Award. After the President has made the Awards, departments and agencies should give the widest possible publicity to the recipients.



FORM AND CONTENT OF NOMINATIONS

1. Nominations shall be submitted in six copies so that each member of the Board may have a copy to review.
2. Each copy of each nomination shall be multilithed, zoned, mimeographed, or in original typing, single space on one side of 8" X 10" pages.
3. Each nomination shall contain the following information in the following order:
 - A. First page -- a brief biographical sketch, in itemized format, containing date and place of birth; significant educational background; significant employment record; a specific statement of type of appointment status; current grade level; etc.
 - B. Second page -- a proposed citation for the signature of the President. The proposed citation shall contain from 50 to 65 words in two-paragraph form, and shall highlight the significance of the individual's achievement.
 - C. Additional pages containing not more than 2500 words with topical headings as follows:
 - o Summary of Achievement--not more than one page.
 - o Additional Details--in non-technical language, illustrating how the nominee was personally responsible. Also include:
 - The specific benefits in improving Government operations or serving the public interest. Describe separately the tangible and the intangible.
 - Examples of personal qualities of the nominee which make his achievement possible, if these have not already been covered under previous headings.
 - D. A statement describing any other significant awards received by the nominee.
 - E. A photograph.
4. Each copy of a nomination shall be enclosed in a 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " X 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ " folder.
5. If desired, supporting or technical material may also be submitted as a supplement to the nomination. There is no limitation on the amount of such material that may be submitted. However, any supporting material should be submitted separately in bound form, rather than included with material in the folder.

NOTE: Departments and agencies are in no way restrained from making awards themselves to any employees who are being nominated for the President's Award.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 27, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: TRUDY FRY

FROM: BARRY ROTH *BR*

SUBJECT: President's Award for Distinguished
Federal Civilian Service

This is in response to your inquiry concerning the eligibility of Julia Vadala Taft for the above-captioned award. E.O. 10979, issued December 12, 1961, provides that the award "shall be presented by the President to civilian officers or employees of the Federal Government for the best achievements having current impact in improving Government operations or serving the public interest." The Order requires that these achievements must exemplify one or more of the following criteria:

"(1) Imagination in developing creative solutions to problems of government.

"(2) Courage in persevering against great odds and difficulties.

"(3) High ability in accomplishing extraordinary scientific or technological achievement, in providing outstanding leadership in planning, organizing or directing a major program of unusual importance and complexity or in performing an extraordinary act of credit to the Government and the country.

"(4) Long and distinguished career service."

The Order also provides that persons appointed by the President shall not be eligible for this award unless, in the opinion of the Distinguished Civilian Service Awards Board, they are currently serving in a career position. While this provision and literature issued in relation to this program indicate that the award is intended for career employees, the terms of the Order do not preclude the selection of Mrs. Taft as she is appointed by the Secretary of HEW to her position as

Deputy Assistant Secretary. In addition, it is my understanding that Mrs. Taft was not a Presidential appointee when she served as Director of the Task Force.

Although an award to Mrs. Taft may be unprecedented and not in keeping with the spirit of the Order, she can, within the precise terms of the Order, be selected by the President for this award. However, as a procedural matter, E.O. 10717 requires that the nomination of Secretaries Kissinger and Mathews be approved by the Board prior to submission to the President. While the Board technically remains in existence, there have been no members for the last several years. Accordingly, the President would either have to appoint five new members to the Board or amend the Executive Order to delete the requirement that the Board pass on such nominations prior to being submitted to the President. Another option would be for the President under the authority of 5 U.S.C. 4504 to create a new award for non-career employees. The only other civilian award at the present time is the Medal of Freedom.



10/27/76



MEMORANDUM OF CALL

X-3440

TO: Trudy

YOU WERE CALLED BY— YOU WERE VISITED BY—

Eddie

OF (Organization) Jeanne Davis' office

PLEASE CALL → PHONE NO. CODE/EXT.

WILL CALL AGAIN IS WAITING TO SEE YOU

RETURNED YOUR CALL WISHES AN APPOINTMENT

MESSAGE

1 Letter/Memo to Pres.
from Sec State and Sec HEW
dated 2/14/76
Subj: Julia Toff -
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Award

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Something new has come up
and NBC is looking for
original of the Sec State /
Sec HEW letter.

Central Files does not have
original - they have a copy.

Note you have the original?

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 17, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: JIM CONNOR

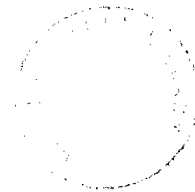
FROM: BOBBIE GREENE KILBERG

Bobbie

I would like to recommend that President Ford present Julia Vadala Taft with a Certificate of Commendation for her work as Director of the Indochina Refugee Interagency Task Force. As you are aware, Julia, because of her non-career position, does not come within the guidelines established for the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service. However, she performed in an outstanding manner in a very difficult job as Task Force Director, and I think that a public recognition of her efforts by the President would be appropriate and would be appreciated by a great many people.

I know that Secretary Mathews strongly supports a Presidential award for Julia, and Paul O'Neill joins me in recommending an award in the form of a Presidential Certificate of Commendation.

cc: Paul O'Neill





THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20201

JAN 7 1977

Re
Reagan

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear Mr. President:

In February of last year Secretary Kissinger and I recommended that Julia Vadala Taft be favorably considered for a Presidential Award for her outstanding work as Director of the Interagency Task Force on Indochina Refugees. Unfortunately, that never came about, for whatever reason.

As we enter the closing days of your Administration, I would like to suggest once again that Mrs. Taft's contributions were of sufficient merit that favorable reconsideration would be proper.

I am enclosing a copy of the 1976 memorandum.

Faithfully yours,

David Walker
Secretary

Enclosure

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THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20201

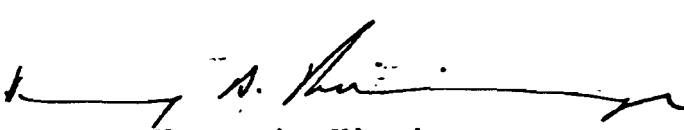
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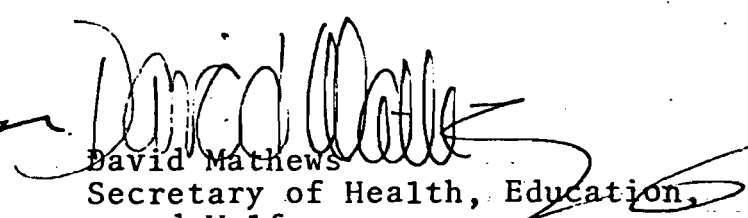
MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Nomination of Julia Vadala Taft for the
President's Award for Distinguished Federal
Civilian Service

Mrs. Julia Vadala Taft served from May 1975 through December 1975 as Director of the Interagency Task Force for Indochina Refugees. As a result of her outstanding abilities, this program has been concluded with the successful resettlement into American society of 130,000 Indochina refugees. The demands of this Presidentially mandated mission and the challenging complexity of the resettlement process have been superbly managed and successfully resolved by this highly dedicated and talented young woman. The attached documentation outlines her specific accomplishments.

Accordingly, we respectfully request your favorable consideration of our nomination of Julia Vadala Taft for the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service.


Henry A. Kissinger
Secretary of State


David Mathews
Secretary of Health, Education,
and Welfare

Attachment

THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20201

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The President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

On 1/10/77 discussed with
Barry Roth --- understand he
discussed further with Jim Connor
and it was decided not to do.

G. B. Fry

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

1-10-77

TO: Jim Connor

For Your Information: _____

For Appropriate Handling: ✓

RDL
Robert D. Linder

