



2025 AWARD OF MERIT NOMINATION

The Award of Merit is presented to a person or persons in corrections who, during an 18-month period prior to each Congress of Correction, performed an act of extraordinary bravery and exceptional valor outside of their professional duties, involving imminent personal threat to their life, with knowledge of the risk. **Please note that if your nominee performed “bravery” in the line of duty, please use ACA’s Medal of Valor Form that is for bravery “in the line of duty.”**

ACA members may nominate colleagues or themselves for this award. **Nominations must be received at ACA’s headquarters by July 1, 2024.** Eligibility applies to any person in corrections who is recommended by one or more people for an act of bravery outside of their professional duties. The nominations must be forwarded with adequate documentation of the event and include certification by the correctional agency that the act of bravery did occur. **Each nominee must be submitted on a separate nomination form, unless the nominees are intended to be considered as a group for one award.**

Nomination package materials should be submitted in the following order:

1. Nomination form.
2. Documentation of event.
3. Certification by correctional agency that the act of bravery did occur.

Please limit your nomination package to those three items. Please keep your package concise and organized in this manner to make for an easier review by committee members.

I, _____

(name, address, ACA membership number, email address)

would like to nominate the following person(s) to receive the Award of Merit

Name(s): _____

Details of valor incident: _____

Please attach additional pages as needed, and return this form to ACA,
Attn: Merit Award Committee, 206 N. Washington St., Suite 200, Alexandria, VA 22314.