

SUBJ: SOLICITATION FOR THE 2012 CAPTAIN MARION "GUS" SHRODE AVIATION SAFETY AWARD

A. Medals and Awards Manual (COMDTINST M1650.25D)

1. Commandant (CG-1131) is soliciting nominations for the 2012 Captain Marion "Gus" Shrode Aviation Safety Award. Sponsored by the Coast Guard Aviation Association Ancient Order of the Pterodactyl (CGAA/AOP), the award recognizes Coast Guard Flight Safety Officers or Coast Guard Flight Safety Departments demonstrating exceptional performance or providing outstanding contributions in the area of aviation safety.

2. Commanding Officers may submit nominations to Commandant (CG-1131), to arrive no later than Friday, 3 August 2012. Supporting documentation and a detailed summary of action should focus on performance during the period of 1 Jun 2011 to 31 May 2012, and must accompany the nomination. Commandant (CG-1131) will review nominations and select a single nominee for commandant (CG-11) approval and submission to CGAA/AOP. Further information about this award is available on the Commandant (CG-1131) Aviation Safety Division website at <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cg1/cg113/cg1131/default.asp>

3. Nominees are limited to Coast Guard Flight Safety Officers or Coast Guard Flight Safety Departments. Consideration should be given to: Innovative applications of Operational Risk Management, Crew Resource Management, or Maintenance Resource Management principles, excellence in aviation safety promotion/education, reduction of aircraft mishap rates, or quality of mishap reporting and investigation.

4. The recipient and the recipient's command will be notified of selection by Commandant (CG-1131) in time to arrange for participation in the annual AOP gathering from 11-14 October 2012. Commandant (CG-1131) will provide funding for a single award recipient to attend the annual AOP banquet held on Saturday, 13 October 2012, in Sacramento, CA.

5. CG-1131 POC is LCDR Shana Donaldson, Aviation Safety Program Manager, at (202) 475-5199 or Shana.Donaldson(at)uscg.mil.

6. Internet release authorized.