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MEMORANDUM FOR Army Aviation Unit Commanders and Directorates

SUBJECT: Announcement for Calendar Year 2022 (CY22); the Order of Daedalians Brigadier General (BG) Carl I. Hutton Memorial Award and the United States Army Exceptional Aviator Award

1. Purpose. To set forth guidelines and procedures for the Order of Daedalians BG Carl I. Hutton Memorial and the U.S. Army Exceptional Aviator awards for performance occurring within the 2022 calendar year.

2. Background. The Order of Daedalians, the national fraternity of military pilots, has presented the two U.S. Army awards annually to recognize safe flying practices and exceptional Aviators. In 1978, they established the BG Carl I. Hutton Memorial Award, and in 1999, they established the US Army Exceptional Aviator Award. Additional information on the Order of Daedalians and their recognition awards can be viewed at <https://www.daedalians.org/>.

a. The BG Carl I. Hutton Memorial Award is presented to an Army unit that has demonstrated outstanding professionalism and made the most invaluable contributions to the advancement of flight safety in Army Aviation for calendar year 2022. A Daedalians trophy and award are presented.

b. The US Army Exceptional Aviator Award is to inspire excellence in duty performance by career military pilots who place Nation above self. The award recognizes exceptional deeds performed to assure mission success, acts of valor as an aviator, or an extraordinary display of courage or leadership in the air in support of air operations for calendar year 2022. A Daedalians trophy is presented.

3. Eligibility. All Army elements, Active, Reserve, and National Guard, are eligible for nomination for these awards. All pilots nominated must be rated military aviators.

4. Timeline.

a. **NLT 13 March 2023 – Daedalians Awards Nomination Packets are due to USAACE G-1. Electronic submission via email is the only authorized method; submit via email to USAACE G-1 Awards box at usarmy.rucker.avncoe.list.cmd-g1-awards@army.mil.**

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b. **15-23 March 2023** – USAACE selection board.

c. **1 April 2022** – The Order of Daedalians will contact the winning organizations
with award presentation information.

5. For nomination packet guidelines and format, see Enclosure 1.

6. The point of contact is the USAACE G-1 Operations Officer, CW2 Rhoebbie A. Bray,
334-255-0949 or email usarmy.rucker.avncoe.list.cmd-g1-awards@army.mil.

1 Encl

1. CY22 Daedalian Awards Nominations
Guidelines and Sample Packets

JEFFREY P. GAINES
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