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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Visitors

THROUGH: External Relations Committee

SUBJECT: New Market Medal Award Selection Committee

The Board of Visitors established the New Market Medal in 1962. The New Market Medal is to be presented to an American citizen who displays the qualities of leadership, loyalty, and determination as exemplified by the Corps of Cadets at New Market.

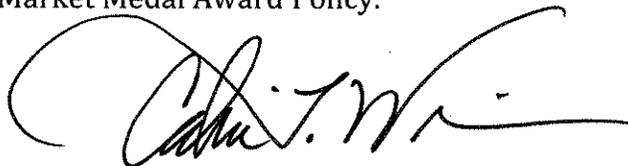
This medal is to be awarded at the discretion of the Board of Visitors and may be awarded annually. It was conceived as a tribute to the cadets of VMI who fought at the 1864 Battle of New Market and as a means by which the Institute could recognize distinguished individuals not necessarily associated with the Institute.

The criteria for the award are that the recipient be an American citizen chosen from the national field whose life and career have displayed the virtues shown by the 1864 New Market cadets: leadership, duty, honor, and devotion.

The New Market Medal has been awarded fourteen times since 1962.

Recommended Motion

It is moved that the Board of Visitors institute a New Market Medal Award Selection Committee led by the Chair of the External Relations Committee to identify and award a recipient who displays the qualities of leadership, loyalty, and determination as exemplified by the Corps of Cadets at New Market with the New Market Medal in accordance with the New Market Medal Award Policy.



Cedric T. Wins '85
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