



COMMANDER, FOURTEENTH COAST GUARD DISTRICT  
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96850

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Dear Mr. Lawson:

Congratulations on your selection as the 2013 senior level District Fourteen Civilian Employee of the Year. I appreciate the dedication and leadership you provided to the Fourteenth District area and to our organization.

As the Information Technology Team Leader at D 14, you utilized your vast knowledge of all things C4IT to stimulate District innovation during our uncertain fiscal environment. You aggressively furthered the District's VTC capability to mitigate the challenges brought on by our restricted travel budget. You negotiated with CG Headquarters and TISCOM to expand the VTC network to include Singapore and Base Honolulu while simultaneously recapping old equipment at Sectors Honolulu and Guam. As a result, participants from PACAREA, FEACT, TSA, and DoD Office of Hearings and Appeals utilized the VTC for a combined 56 teleconferences in FY13.

As the Information Systems Security Assistant, you meticulously conducted all administrative functions for the classified local area network for the Staff as well as those of Air Station Barbers Point, cutters KUKUI and WALNUT, and Communication Station Honolulu. You also assumed the role as Trusted Agent for Secure Internet Protocol Router Network Public Key Infrastructure and successfully converted 75 user accounts to this more user-friendly system, thus improving accessibility complexities.

You are a silent partner in almost everything that requires electronics. You have assisted the Ball Committee in developing the on-line payment processing and ensured full responsibility of all funds, assembled the Staffs Web Advisory Board and encouraged the use of Sharepoint in our daily tasks, and assisted Staff members with computer issues when the IT staff was challenged with conflicting operations. You have dedicated your free time to the community in many different facets. You serve as the Webmaster for the Armed Forces Communications and Electronic Association and the Logistics Manager of parking for the annual Sony Open. You are also the Director of the District's Golf Association and the Webmaster for the Sea Service Women's Leadership Organization.

You are an invaluable member of our District Fourteen Ohana. I am pleased to award you a 16-hour time-off award, cash award, and an engraved Civilian Employee of the Year wood bowl. Thank you for your service to our organization and to our country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Cari B. Thomas".

Cari B. Thomas  
Rear Admiral, U. S. Coast Guard

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