

COLD WAR RECOGNITION CERTIFICATE

If you served honorably on active duty, the Guard, Reserve, or as a DOD federal employee from Sept 2, 1945 to Dec 26, 1991, you are authorized the Cold War Recognition Certificate. Here's how to obtain your copy free:

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1. You will need proof of your service, such as a DD Form 214 (Record of Military Service).
2. Prepare, date, and sign a letter, requesting the award of the Cold War Recognition Certificate.
3. Send the letter and a copy of your service proof to:

Commander
U.S. Army Human Resources Command
Cold War Recognition
4035 Ridge Top Road
Suite 400
Fairfax, Virginia 22030

FAX: (703) 275-6749

4. You may also FAX the letter and proof to: 1-800-723-9262.

Tips:

1. Your letter must contain the phrase "I certify that my service was honorable and faithful" whether as a member of the U.S. armed forces or as a federal civilian employee during the Cold War era, or it will be rejected.
2. Do not send the original of your proof of service. Send a copy. Original documentation will not be returned.
3. Individuals normally will receive a response within 30 days; however, the turnaround time will depend upon the amount of requests received.

BACKGROUND:

In accordance with section 1084 of the Fiscal Year 1998 National Defense Authorization Act, the Secretary of Defense approved awarding Cold War Recognition Certificates to all members of the armed forces and qualified federal government civilian personnel who faithfully served the United States during the Cold War era, from Sept. 2, 1945, to Dec. 26, 1991.

All members of the armed forces and federal government civilian personnel who faithfully served the United States during the Cold War era, Sept. 2, 1945, to Dec. 26, 1991 are eligible. Next-of-kin may request the Cold War Certificate in a person's name by sending in a request and providing the appropriate documentation to verify service.