

**Auxiliary Commendation Medal** 

## Auxiliarist of the Year Award – 2021

The Auxiliarist of the Year award recognizes the most exemplary performance by an eligible Auxiliarist during the calendar year.

Only those Auxiliarists who consistently demonstrated sustained and exceptional standards of proficiency, conduct, uniform appearance, initiative, and performance of duty that achieved results which reflected the highest quality of teamwork and customer service are considered for nomination.

This award parallels the awards for the Coast Guard Enlisted Person of the Year and the Civilian Employee of the Year.

# This Year's Recipient is:

COMO DOUGLAS S. CREAM as a member of Ninth District - Eastern Region.

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#### THE AUXILIARY COMMENDATION MEDAL

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#### **COMMODORE DOUGLAS S. CREAM**

### UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

Commodore CREAM is cited for outstanding achievement while serving as a member of Ninth District – Eastern Region, Flotilla 33, from January to December 2021. As Auxiliary Chief Counsel, Commodore CREAM provided invaluable legal consultation and advice to Auxiliary leadership and the Coast Guard's Staff Judge Advocate on a remarkably diverse range of topics. A consummate shipmate, he leveraged his extensive legal expertise to assist the Mariner Credential Fraud Task Force (MCF-TF). Applying crucial insight and tenacious determination, he incisively analyzed volumes of complex jurisdictional reviews and prepared comprehensive briefs to Coast Guard leadership on nuanced legal decisions. His contributions were instrumental to the Task Force's successful achievement of unprecedented enforcement goals and enhanced deterrence of future mariner credential fraud. He supervised the 16 Auxiliary District Staff Officer Legal Parliamentarians, ensuring they provided all regions with timely and accurate legal counsel. Exercising utmost devotion to duty, he sustained extensive activity as an Auxiliary Qualification Examiner, Coxswain, Team Coordination Training Facilitator, and Sector Buffalo's Auxiliary Sector Coordinator. Commodore CREAM's dedication, judgment, and devotion to duty are most heartily commended and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary.