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UNITED STATES COAST GUARD



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assisted greatly in furthering the aims and  
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**MERITORIOUS PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD**

to

*Captain Stephen E. Goldhammer*

Executed this 4th day of November, 2021

at Washington, D.C.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Melvin W. Bouboulis", is written over a horizontal line.

**Melvin W. Bouboulis**  
Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard

# Meritorious Public Service

## Award

to

*Captain Stephen E. Goldhammer, USCG (Retired)*

The Commandant of the United States Coast Guard takes pleasure in presenting the Coast Guard Meritorious Public Service Award to Captain Stephen E. Goldhammer, USCG (Ret), for exceptional, enduring contributions to the Coast Guard and Coast Guard Aviation. Captain Goldhammer has served as *Ye Olde Scribe* for the Coast Guard Aviation Association (CGAA) since 2008, and compiles, edits, and publishes three issues of *Pterogram*, the official journal of CGAA, every year. As editor, he consistently delivers high-quality periodicals that highlight his exceptional imagination and organizational skills to thousands of regular subscribers, and scores of prospective members and aviation enthusiasts. Furthermore, he demonstrates superior journalistic talents that always provide readers with informative and entertaining articles, enhanced with equally rousing graphics and photographs. Crafting the *Pterogram* requires countless hours by Captain Goldhammer in seeking and assimilating articles, then editing submissions from myriad contributors to create each masterful publication. In addition, Captain Goldhammer is a prolific writer, and adeptly documents seminal events and notable moments in time. To this end, Captain Goldhammer employs kindness and encouragement with volunteer contributors in their submissions of editorial content resulting in a superb issue for CGAA members. Captain Goldhammer's dedicated labor and devotion to each *Pterogram* has made it a premier journal of current issues and historic milestones, reporting and recording Coast Guard contributions to the colorful epoch of aviation history. Captain Goldhammer has produced thirty-six *Pterogram* issues with thousands of hours of volunteer service to research, coordination, drafting, editing, and publishing. Additionally, he contributes substantial time and leadership to shaping CGAA Board of Directors' endeavors by developing and supporting the CGAA member and history websites. Captain Goldhammer's outstanding initiative, dedication, and leadership are most heartily commended, and in keeping with the highest traditions of public service and the United States Coast Guard.