



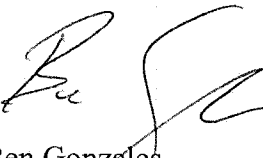
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MEMORANDUM FOR Office of Public and Congressional Affairs, Army Contracting Command ATTN: LTC Hylton, PAO, 4505 Martin Rd, Redstone Arsenal, AL 35898

SUBJECT: Nomination of Daniel P. Elkins for Moss-Holland Civilian Print Journalist of the Year

1. I take great pride in nominating Daniel P. Elkins as the Moss-Holland Civilian Print Journalist of the Year as part of the Army Materiel Command (AMC) David G. Harris Public Affairs Competition. He is a consummate journalist whose writing awards span a 30-year federal career and is an exemplary government communicator for MICC at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston, Texas.
2. Mr. Elkins has been recognized for writing at the DOD, Air Force and Army Materiel Command levels. As the lead writer for the MICC, he is the go-to communicator for tackling the MICC leadership's priorities from a strategic approach having authored 41 articles in 2017. His role in telling the Army acquisition story demands a level of research and technical understanding necessary to communicate to multiple audience types. His efforts in educating the public and leaders across the Army serve to foster superior relations and support for the MICC's programs and policies.
3. In addition to communicating the MICC story, Mr. Elkins plays a vital role in my Public Affairs Office serving as my deputy director. He is also responsible for managing the command's social media and serves as webmaster for the MICC and its 31 subordinate sites. As the command's spokesperson, he also responds to queries from national, regional and local media regarding Army acquisitions.
4. The level of commitment, integrity and self-motivation demonstrated by Mr. Elkins in his personal, professional and academic achievements illustrate his strong character, maturity and ethical values. He is highly respected for his willingness to get the job done, a valuable member of our organization and deserving of this recognition.
5. I can be reached at (210) 466-2291 or benito.gonzales3.civ@mail.mil.



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