

Illinois Abraham Lincoln Veteran Champion Award Nomination Form

Please read the **Nomination Guidelines** prior to completing this form. Please attach the **veteran's up-to-date DD214** as well as a written summary of the nominee's achievements following the guidelines.

Nominee _____ Date & Place of Birth _____

Home Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Year & Location of Illinois Residency _____

Special consideration is provided to specific nominees for the following months (please check the fields that apply to the nominee)

- February – African American History Month _____
- March – Women's History Month _____
- May – Asian Pacific American Heritage Month _____
- Sept. 15 to Oct. 15 – Hispanic Heritage Month _____
- November – Native American Heritage Month _____
- Late Aug. to Early Sept. – Du Quoin Fair (nominee is resident of Greater Du Quoin area) _____
- August – Illinois State Fair (nominee is resident of Greater Springfield area) _____

Nominator's Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

I have read the nomination guidelines and attest that the above information is accurate and true. I also affirm, to the best of my knowledge, that the nominee stated above is in good legal standing.

Signature of Nominator (required) _____ Date _____

I have read the nomination guidelines and attest that the above information is accurate and true. If selected as a recipient of the Abraham Lincoln Veteran Champion Award, I agree to attend a public appearance with the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs, and I agree to participate in all media and outreach efforts and activities.

Signature of Nominee (required) _____ Date _____

SEND COMPLETED FORM TO:

Email: IDVA.ALVCA@illinois.gov or
Fax: (312) 814-2764

Illinois Dept. of Veterans' Affairs
Attn: Abraham Lincoln Veteran Champion Award
100 West Randolph, Suite 5-570
Chicago, IL 60601



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1. The nominee must reside in Illinois and must have received an honorable discharge from the U.S. Military.
2. Posthumous nominations will be accepted provided that a family member of the deceased nominee signs under “Signature of Nominee” on the Abraham Lincoln Veteran Champion Award Nomination Form.
3. Honorees will be recognized for significant public service contributions made at the local, state or national level and by excellence achieved through action above and beyond the call of duty. Nominees should also have made significant contributions in volunteer work in support of veterans and/or the military.
4. The nominator needs to **provide a legible and up-to-date copy of the veteran’s DD214**. Failure to provide record of service documentation will render the nomination ineligible.
5. In addition to the DD214 and the information requested on the nomination form, please provide a written summary of the nominee’s achievements, including: (a) a description of significant accomplishments, including dates, (b) information concerning military service, and (c) a list of military awards and decorations received by the nominee. In order to validate these accomplishments, please include/attach documentation that will substantiate the nominee’s service and accomplishments (i.e. news articles, relevant online biographies and/or copies of commendations, etc.).
6. The nominator must also provide a description of their association and/or working relationship with the nominee.
7. Nominations will be evaluated on the scope and impact of a nominee’s achievements and the extent to which his/her efforts benefit and provide inspiration to their community and other veterans. Please document significant achievements and accomplishments, especially those made after the nominee’s military service.
8. Nominations will be reviewed and the recipients will be ultimately chosen by the Illinois Department of Veterans’ Affairs. Nominations are accepted at all times throughout the year.
9. Nominations should be sent to:

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Attn: Abraham Lincoln Veteran Champion Award
100 West Randolph St., Suite 5-570
Chicago, IL 60601-3219

OR

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