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From: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: STAFF CORPS OF THE NAVY

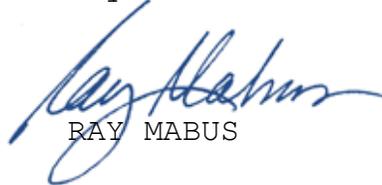
Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. § 5150  
(b) DoD Instruction 1310.02 of 8 May 07  
(c) OPNAVINST 1427.2  
(d) 10 U.S.C. § 5142  
(e) 10 U.S.C. § 5148

1. Purpose. To identify the Staff Corps of the Navy pursuant to the authority contained in reference (a) and to provide guidelines concerning Staff Corps commissions.
2. Cancellation. SECNAVINST 1301.4.
3. Applicability. The provisions of this instruction are applicable to the Department of the Navy (DON).
4. Background. Reference (a) provides that the Secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) may establish Staff Corps of the Navy in addition to the Medical Corps, the Dental Corps, the Judge Advocate General's Corps, and the Chaplain Corps. It further provides that the SECNAV may designate commissioned officers in, and assign members to, any such Staff Corps, and establish a chief of the corps.
5. Policy. Staff Corps of the Navy, established by the SECNAV, shall meet DON mission objectives by providing for the administration and accomplishment of selected functions best performed by specialists in professions requiring specialized education, training, and experience.
6. Establishment of Navy Staff Corps. Pursuant to reference (a), the following Staff Corps are established for the Navy:
  - a. The Medical Corps
  - b. The Supply Corps

- c. The Chaplain Corps
- d. The Civil Engineer Corps
- e. The Judge Advocate General's Corps
- f. The Dental Corps
- g. The Medical Service Corps
- h. The Nurse Corps

7. Responsibilities. The SECNAV shall designate individuals for appointment in and assignment to each of the Navy's Staff Corps. The appointment of Staff Corps officers and their placement on the Navy's active-duty list or reserve active-status list shall follow the procedures contained in references (b) and (c). The SECNAV shall appoint a chief of each corps, except for the Chaplain Corps and the Judge Advocate General's Corps, based on the recommendation of the Chief of Naval Operations. The Chief of Chaplains and the Judge Advocate General of the Navy will be appointed per references (d) and (e), respectively.

8. Records Management. Records created as a result of this instruction, regardless of media and format, shall be managed per SECNAV Manual 5210.1 of January 2012.



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