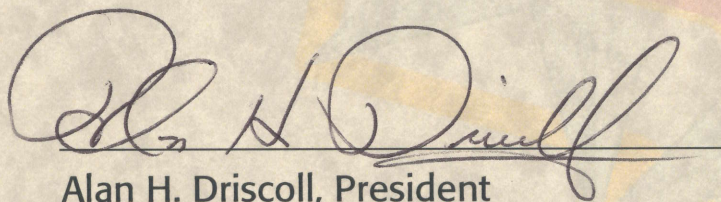


The K9 Medal for Exceptional Service

Presented to
RYKY – L738

On July 6, 2011 RYKY, with his handler Sgt James F. Harrington, while traveling in a convoy were involved in an IED attack resulting in severe injury to two personnel in the lead vehicle. Without regard for their safety RYKY and Sgt Harrington exited their vehicle and cleared a path to the damaged lead vehicle allowing medical personnel to render first aid to the two wounded soldiers. RYKY and Sgt. Harrington then cleared a safe path out of the ambush site and cleared a landing area for a medivac helicopter to land and evacuate the wounded. In recognition of these acts of bravery RYKY L738 is awarded the K9 Medal for Exceptional Service – Number 16.

For uncompromising loyalty and devotion to duty and master, this canine, in union with his courageous partner, have, with complete disregard for the team's personal safety, detected and eliminated terrorist threats to life and property. These actions reflect the highest degree of credit upon the team and the United States Army.



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