



## THE RETURNED & SERVICES LEAGUE OF AUSTRALIA

STATE PRIORITY NO: \_\_\_\_\_

### RECOMMENDATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE NATIONAL CERTIFICATE OF MERIT WITH GOLD BADGE

IN CONFIDENCE

---

The award of the National Certificate of Merit with Gold Badge is the highest award that may be made by the League to a person who is not a member of any class of membership (save and except Affiliate Members or a member of a Women's Auxiliary). **Nominees who are eligible to be RSL members are not eligible for this award.**

The success of an application not only depends on the information contained in the application form, but the quality and quantity of citations and references attached to the application form.

#### Nomination and Citation Guidelines

Comprehensive details of services rendered must be submitted on the nomination form as attached, **supported by an appropriate citation**. The Awards Committee will attach importance to:

- (a) Extent to which self-sacrifice accompanied the service;
- (b) Extent to which the RSL, ex-servicemen and women and/or dependants have been aided;
- (c) Length and place of service;
- (d) Whether the nominee (if applicable) has held Office in a RSL Women's Council, Auxiliary or Committee. State how long, where and when; and
- (e) The quality of the nominating Sub-Branch (this does not relate to size, but to the spirit and loyalty of the Sub-Branch).

#### State Branch Recommendation

The decision to forward a nomination for the National Certificate of Merit with Gold Badge to the National Executive for approval will be made by the Awards Committee and State Executive of the Victorian Branch and will be final.

#### Completed form to be sent marked as follows to:-

Chief Executive Officer  
Returned & Services League of Australia  
(Victorian Branch) Inc.  
ANZAC House  
4 Collins Street  
MELBOURNE VIC 3000

# NOMINATION FORM

Nominating Sub-Branch: .....

## Nominee's Details

Surname: .....

First Name: .....

Address: .....

.....

Date of birth: ..... Age: .....

Membership no: ..... (if applicable)

Badge no: ..... (if applicable)

Joining Date : ..... (if applicable)

Original RSL: ..... (if applicable)

Service given to Sub-Branch/es and applicable dates:

.....  
.....  
.....

If applicable, service given to local Women's Auxiliary and relevant dates:

.....  
.....  
.....

.

Other voluntary service:

.....  
.....  
.....

## CITATION

**A one or two page citation should be inserted / attached to the nomination form**

## DECLARATION BY SUB-BRANCH

By resolution of the ..... Sub-Branch Committee meeting held on the (date) ..... it is recommended that (nominee's name)..... be nominated for a National Certificate of Merit with Gold Badge from the Returned & Services League of Australia in acknowledgement of outstanding service to the League.

**Signed:**

.....  
**President**

**Date:** .....

**Signed:**

.....  
**Secretary**

**Date:** .....

---

### ANZAC HOUSE USE ONLY

Date Nomination Received: .....

#### Recommendation by Awards Committee

Meeting Date: ..... Yes  No

#### Endorsement by State Executive:

Meeting Date: ..... Yes  No

#### Decision of National Executive:

Meeting Date: ..... Yes  No

