

Tip of the Sphere

Career Management

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Getting Ready for Boards

We're halfway through the 2010 Fiscal Year Army board schedule. Here are some frequently asked questions and trends to help you prepare for future boards. Of note, the Fiscal Year 2011 board schedule will be challenging with U.S. Army Human Resources Command's move to Fort Knox, Ky., and a new FA40 assignment officer. I encourage everyone to review their files in the coming months and send any updates.

- **Army Service Uniform** - I'm seeing more and more Department of Army photos with the Army Service Uniform and recently took my photo with it. The wear out date for the Army Green Service Uniform is July 2014. During this transition period, official Department of Army photos can be in either the Army Green Uniform or the Army Service Uniform. More info is available at: www.army.mil
- **Afghanistan and Iraq Campaign Medals** - I continue to see issues with the Afghanistan Campaign Medal and Iraq Campaign Medal on both the Officer Record Brief and Department of Army photo. Soldiers are authorized bronze service stars for the number of campaigns participated in NOT the number of deployments. Every Afghanistan Campaign Medal and Iraq campaign Medal should have at least one bronze service star. More info is available in the Frequently Asked Questions tab at the U.S. Army Human Resources Command Awards and Decorations Homepage: <https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/Active/TAGD/awards/index.htm>
- **Unit Awards** - Information on unit awards can be found at the above U.S. Army Human Resources Command Awards and Decorations home page.
- **Officer Record Brief Duty Titles** - We all know that duty titles and descriptions should be worked out during Officer Evaluation Report counseling. When you arrive at your duty station, I change the duty titles from Incoming Officer to Space Operations Officer. If your duty title is something other than Space Operations Officer, let me know so I can update your Officer Record Brief.



Upcoming Events:

Fiscal Year 2010 COL Board (Year Group 89/90)

Convenes June 8, 2010

1st Space Battalion Command Selection Board

Summer 2010

ACS/TWI Selection Board

Summer 2010