



Chief of Naval Education and Training

The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting the NAVY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL (Gold Star in lieu of second award) to

**LIEUTENANT COMMANDER JAMES ERIC HIBBS  
DENTAL CORPS  
UNITED STATES NAVAL RESERVE**

for service as set forth in the following

**CITATION:**

"For professional achievement in the superior performance of his duties while serving as Head, Branch Dental Annex, Naval Air Station, New Orleans and Assistant Dental Officer, Branch Dental Clinic, Naval Support Activity, New Orleans, Louisiana from December 1991 to March 1995. Lieutenant Commander Hibbs's unsurpassed professionalism and dynamic leadership at the Dental Annex were instrumental in driving a total quality, highly productive, readiness oriented treatment facility for over 1,200 active duty personnel. His tireless energy and outstanding comprehensive dentistry skills were directly responsible in raising the operational dental readiness from 81 percent to a stellar 92 percent in six months. Lieutenant Commander Hibbs's exceptional professionalism, initiative and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the Secretary of the Navy,

**T. W. WRIGHT**

Vice Admiral U.S. Navy

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