



United States Atlantic Fleet
Headquarters of the Commander in Chief

The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting a Gold Star in lieu of the Second

NAVY COMMENDATION MEDAL to

COMMANDER LEONARD A. BRACKEN

UNITED STATES NAVY

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For meritorious achievement in September 1971 while serving as Executive Officer, Air Antisubmarine Squadron THIRTY-ONE and as Pilot of an S-2E aircraft embarked in USS INTREPID (CVS 11). Displaying outstanding leadership, professional competence, and resourcefulness, Commander BRACKEN contributed significantly to the successful completion of antisubmarine warfare operations of vital interest to national security. Through the application of advanced tactics, skillful airmanship, and superior directions of his crew, Commander BRACKEN was instrumental in the accomplishment of the mission. By his outstanding performance and inspiring devotion to duty, Commander BRACKEN upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

For the Secretary of the Navy


CHARLES K. DUNCAN
Admiral, U. S. Navy
Commander in Chief U. S. Atlantic Fleet

