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Office of the Executive Director

Mr. Brian Siddall
P.O. Box 3897
Ithaca, NY 14852

Dear Mr. Siddall:

Thank you for your sincere interest in the accuracy and proper commemoration of headstones at Arlington National Cemetery. Arlington National Cemetery's interment and headstone policy is consistent with the National Cemetery Administration and serves to commemorate the service and lives of our nation's active duty, veterans and their eligible family members.

After significant review, Arlington National Cemetery considers the issue related to your concerns regarding the award commemorations on Private First Class Charles Durning's headstone closed. The information currently reflected on his headstone at Arlington National Cemetery is substantiated by authoritative documentation on file and was previously provided to you through the Freedom of Information Act.

Thank you for your interest in Arlington National Cemetery, our nation's most sacred shrine.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Renea C. Yates", is written over a large, faint, diagonal watermark that says "EO 13526".

Renea C. Yates
Deputy Superintendent