

Regular Unit with which he served, or by the Officer in charge of his records:

(c) instructions as to procedure in submitting such applications for registration for the Medal and Annuity shall be laid down in "The King's Regulations for the Army and the Army Reserve";

(d) the names of candidates for the Meritorious Service Annuity who are recommended and accepted shall be entered, in the order in which such acceptance is approved, in a Register which shall be kept in the Office of Our Principal Secretary of State for War;

(e) the Military Secretary to Our Principal Secretary of State for War shall select from the list of registered candidates the names of those whom he considers to be most deserving to receive any Annuities that may fall vacant;

(f) a Warrant Officer or Non-Commissioned Officer of Our Regular Army who is thus selected for the grant of a Meritorious Service Annuity shall also be awarded The Meritorious Service Medal, except that a candidate who is already in possession of The Meritorious Service Medal shall receive the Annuity only;

(g) a Meritorious Service Annuity may be held in addition to ordinary pension, and in conjunction with any additional pension to which the annuitant may be entitled;

(h) when a Meritorious Service annuitant is promoted to a Commission the Annuity shall be surrendered, but he shall receive annually in lieu thereof pay equivalent to such Annuity.

Thirdly: It is ordained that The Meritorious Service Medal without Annuity may be awarded to such Yeomen of Our Body Guard, not exceeding 12 in all, and to such Yeomen Warders of Our Tower of London, not exceeding 5 in all, as would have been selected for the Medal with Annuity had they not belonged to Our Body Guard of the Yeomen of the Guard of Our Yeomen Warders of Our Tower of London, and who are duly recommended for the Medal by the Captain of Our Body Guard of the Yeomen of the Guard, or the Constable of Our Tower of London respectively.

Fourthly: It is ordained that The Meritorious Service Medal shall be worn after war medals, in such order as We may from time to time assign to it, and that it shall be worn on the left breast, pendent from a ribbon of one inch and a quarter in width, which shall in colour be crimson with white edges, and a white stripe down the centre.

Fifthly: It is ordained that it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, by an Order under Our Sign Manual and on the recommendation to that effect by or through Our Principal Secretary of State for War to cancel and annul the award of The Meritorious Service Medal for Gallantry, to any person, together with any Annuity, or pension or pay in lieu thereof, appertaining thereto not already paid and that thereupon his name in the Register shall be erased; but that it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, to restore the

Medal when such recommendation has been withdrawn and with it such Annuity or pension or pay in lieu thereof, as may have been forfeited.

Provided always that Our Army Council may, in respect of recipients of The Meritorious Service Medal, for Meritorious Service, make regulations for the forfeiture and restoration of the Medal.

Lastly: We reserve to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting interpreting, or dispensing with these regulations, or any part thereof, by a notification under Our Sign Manual.

Given at Our Court at *St. James's*, this *fifth* day of *February*, in the 21st year of Our Reign, and in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

By His Majesty's Command,

T. Shaw.

ROYAL WARRANT AMENDING THE STATUTES OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER.

GEORGE, R.I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, and Sovereign of the Distinguished Service Order, to all to whom these Presents shall come,

GREETING!

Whereas by the last Clause of the Statutes of Our said Distinguished Service Order, dated the 1st day of April, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, We have reserved to Ourselves, Our Heirs, and Successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting, or dispensing with the said Statutes or any part thereof by a notification under Our Sign Manual:

And whereas it is Our Will and Pleasure that Our said Order shall be conferred only as a reward for distinguished services in action before the enemy:

And whereas it is Our Will and Pleasure that the rule and ordinance contained in Our said Statutes regarding the erasure of the name of a Member from the register of Members of Our said Order and the restoration of the name thereto shall be amended:

And whereas reproductions of the Badges of Our said Order, known as Miniature Badges, are worn on certain occasions and it appears to Us to be expedient that the size and pattern of such Miniature Badges should be clearly defined:

Now therefore, We do, by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs, and Successors, ordain and appoint that the Fourth Clause of Our said Statutes shall be cancelled and annulled and the following substituted therefor:—

Fourthly: It is ordained that no person shall be eligible for this distinction who doth not actually hold, at the time of his