



**SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON**

05 DEC 2012

MEMORANDUM FOR The Surgeon General, Office of the Surgeon General,
7700 Arlington Boulevard, Falls Church, VA 22042-5140

SUBJECT: Designation as Responsible Official and Delegation of Authority for
Department of Defense Executive Agent Responsibilities for the Armed Forces Medical
Examiner System

1. References:

a. Department of Defense (DoD) Directive 5101.1 (DoD Executive Agent), 3 Sep 02,
certified current as of 21 Nov 03.

b. Directive-Type Memorandum 12-001 (Department of Defense Executive Agent
(DoD EA) for the Armed Forces Medical Examiner System (AFMES) and the National
Museum of Health and Medicine (NMHM)), incorporating Change 1, 14 Aug 12.

2. Pursuant to reference 1a, paragraph 4.3, I hereby extend the designation of The
Surgeon General as Responsible Official and delegate to The Surgeon General the
authority to act on my behalf for any and all DoD Executive Agent responsibilities,
functions and authorities for the Armed Forces Medical Examiner System assigned to
me by the Deputy Secretary of Defense in reference 1b.

3. Unless expressly prohibited or restricted by law, directive, regulation or policy, you
may further delegate this authority within U.S. Army Medical Command to a general
officer or member of the Senior Executive Service. If you decide to redelegate this
authority, you may further restrict or condition the delegate's exercise of the authority.
Any re delegation of authority will not be effective unless it is in writing, signed by you
and has been determined to be not legally objectionable upon review by the Office of
the Army General Counsel.

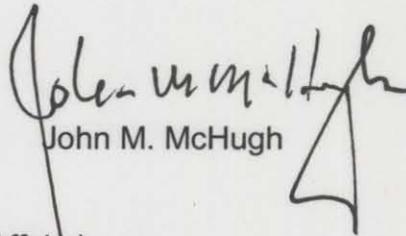
4. No further delegation will take effect until a record copy of the delegation has been
provided to the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army for archiving. I will
hold you responsible for any and all actions taken pursuant to this delegated or
redelegated authority. Should conditions warrant, you will suspend the use of and/or
rescind any re delegation of this authority, as appropriate.

5. Although not a limitation on the authority of any official named herein to act on my
behalf as indicated, in those cases where a proposed action or decision represents a
change in precedent or policy; is of significant White House, congressional, Department
or public interest; or has been, or should be, of interest or concern to me for any reason,

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the responsible official will brief me before taking the action or making the decision unless the exigencies of the situation prevent the briefing.

6. This delegation is effective immediately and expires on 8 September 2013, unless earlier canceled, modified or withdrawn.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John M. McHugh". The signature is stylized and written over the printed name below it.

John M. McHugh

CF:

Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs)

Assistant Secretary of the Army (Manpower and Reserve Affairs)

General Counsel

Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army