

**Army War College Distance Learning Retirement Point Credits for Reserve Components
(2: Education & Training)
Resolution No. 24-02**

WHEREAS, the United States Army Reserve (USARC) decertified Army War College (AWC) Distance Education Phase's 1 and 3 (Non-Resident Professional Military Education) from the Electronic Based Distributed Learning List from 2016 until January 20, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the decertification resulted in reserve officers attending the AWC via distance learning not receiving retirement points that had previously been awarded prior to 2016 and are now being given since the Army recertified the program on January 20, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the resumption of awarding points rightfully corrected the situation going forward, but overlooks those who attended during the "notch" period 2016-2022 years that the points were not awarded, making them the only officers to attend the AWC Distance Education Phases and not receive retirement points; and

WHEREAS, Reserve Component Army Officers are awarded one (1) retirement point for every eight (8) hours of Accredited Distance Learning earned while not on active duty and are limited to earning a maximum of 130 points per year when combining, Individual Duty Training (IDT), Extension Courses and Membership Points; and

WHEREAS, Reserve Component AWC Distance Learning officers had the potential to earn a total of 50.62 retirement points for the 8 courses completed in a non paid status, over a two year period, provided the Distance Learning Phases were certified;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Reserve Officers Association, d.b.a. Reserve Organization of America, urges the United States Army Reserve to retroactively award retirement points to Reserve Component Army Officers who completed Army War College Distance Education Phases 1 and 3 from 2016 until January 20, 2023.

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