MILPERSMAN 1306-939

WHITE HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS AGENCY (WHCA)

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References	(a) DoDD 5210.55 of 15 Dec 98
	(b) DoDI 5210.87 of 30 Nov 98
	(c) SECNAVINST 5312.12C

- 1. <u>Background</u>. The White House Communications Agency (WHCA) provides premier, world-wide communications support that enables the President and the Presidential Staff to lead the nation effectively.
- a. The WHCA manages a world-wide screening program to identify personnel for assignment to the agency by traveling to various naval bases. The screening team conducts a record screen of those personnel that meet the initial qualification criteria for assignment to the agency.
- b. Eligible candidates selected from the record screen will then attend an orientation and continue on with personal interviews and further security clearance processing. Once selected, a single-scope background investigation will be initiated by the WHCA recruiting team to determine Top Secret and Sensitive Compartmented Information (TS/SCI), and Presidential support duty eligibility.
- c. The WHCA screening procedures require time intensive and costly background investigations. TS/SCI and Presidential support duty eligibility may take approximately 12 to 18 months to complete. Therefore, upon notification from a WHCA recruiter, Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM), Major Washington/Memphis Staff detailer (PERS-4010F) must place a candidate's record in a detailing hold status. This hold status notifies the respective detailers that the candidate is being screened for the WHCA and not to create orders without prior consent from the WHCA. Once a candidate is Presidential support

duty eligible and meets all other requirements per MILPERSMAN 1306-900, the WHCA recruiter will notify NAVPERSCOM (PERS-4010F) to create orders to WHCA.

- d. Considering the intense training received at the WHCA, all tour lengths will be 4 years, with the exception of the ITCM billet, which will be a 3-year tour.
- 2. Requirements/Qualifications. Pay grade E-4 may not have more than 5 years total active military service, pay grade E-5 may not have more than 10 years total active military service, and pay grade E-6 and above may not have more than 15 years total active military service. Exceptions will be made on a case-by-case basis.
 - a. The following additional requirements must also be met:
- (1) Must be in the following ratings: BU, CE, CTI (NEC 9201), CTM, CTN, EM, ET, HM, IC, IT, MC, PS, SW, or YN;
 - (2) Must be a U.S. citizen;
- (3) Must be eligible for Presidential support duty per references (a) through (c); and
- (4) Applicant must have been awarded a warfare device (if attached to a qualifying unit).
- b. Required obligated service for this program is 48 months.
- 3. Additional Requirements. Assignment to WHCA is contingent on the successful completion of a special background investigation for Presidential support duty and the availability of an authorized billet. Online applications may be submitted on the following Web site: http://www.disa.mil/Careers/WHCA.