

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §9A-1-16

## **§9A-1-16. West Virginia veterans service decoration; West Virginia Service Cross.**

(a) A West Virginia veterans service decoration may be awarded to any resident of West Virginia who served in any of the federally recognized military services for a period at a time during which there was armed conflict.

(b) A West Virginia Service Cross and ribbon bar, along with a certificate signed by the Governor, may be awarded to any veteran who meets the criteria set forth in subsection (a) of this section, and who also was awarded a federal achievement medal, commendation medal, meritorious service medal, or a medal for valor by one of the federally recognized military services.

(c) West Virginia National Guard members may also be authorized to receive and wear the medals and ribbons authorized under the provisions of this section in an order of precedence determined by the Adjutant General.

(d) The secretary may propose rules pursuant to §29A-3-1 *et seq.* of this code to implement the provisions of this section.