RSO MEMORANDUM QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE [AR 25-50, 10 Oct 2021]

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PAPER [Para 1-18] FONT & POINT SIZE [Para 1-19] INK COLOR [Para 1-20] ACRONYMS [Para 1-15] BOLDFACE/ITALICS [Para 1-32] MARGINS [Para 2-3(c)] 1/4 INCH INDENTING [Fig 2-1]

STANDARDS FOR WRITING [Para 1-38] GENERAL RULES [Para 2-1; Fig 2-1 thru 2-19] CONSTRUCTING CORRESPONDENCE [Para 1-39] EXPRESSING DATE/TIME [Para 1-25, 1-26] ONE BLANK SPACE AFTER ENDING PUNCTUATION [Fig 2-1]

Note: Click on "no spacing" and turn off auto paragraph formatting before you begin!

LETTERHEAD

[Para 1-16, 1-18, 2-3a(1)]

OFFICE SYMBOL & ARIMS [Para 2-4, 3-5d; Fig 2-1]

MEMORANDUM FOR [Para 2-4a(5); Fig 2-2] Place on third line down from Office Symbol. Possibilities: Single Addressee (Para 2-4a(5)(a); Fig 2-3] Note: Multiple Addressees [Para 2-4a(5)(b); Fig 2-7] MOAs/MOUs [Para 2-6; Fig 2-15, 2-16] SEE DISTRIBUTION [Para 2-4a(5)(c); Fig 2-8, 2-9, 2-10] Decision Memos [Para 2-8; Fig 2-18, 2-19] New! THRU [Para 2-4a(5)(d); Fig 2-11, 2-12] New—Digital signature requirement after each Thru Line! RECORD [Para 2-7, Fig 2-17]

SUBJECT: [Para 2-4a(6); Fig 2-2] Place on second line down from MEMORANDUM FOR.

Note: Spacing [Fig 2-1] 1. BODY [Para2-4b; Fig 2-2] Place on third line down from SUBJECT. First Paragraph: Place Reference(s) [Para 1-30. 2-4b(1)(a)] Skip if no known references. Next Paragraph: BLUF-Purpose Statement (Para2-4b(1)(b)] Use Active Voice [Para 1-38] Next Paragraph: Recommendation [Para2-4b(1)(c)]. Justify to left paper margin each line in paragraph [Fig 2-1 & following for examples].

2. SUBPARAGRAPHS. [Para2-4b(4); Fig 2-1]

a. Subparagraph Rules. [Fig 2-1]

Note: Spacing [Fig 2-1]

Note: Single Paragraph Memo Rules [Fig 2-13]

b. Must be a "b" if there is an "a."

3. Last Paragraph: "POC for this action/request/recommendation/etc. is (list title & name -or- 'the undersigned') at (E-Mail Address), (Phone Number)." [Para 2-4b(1)(e); Fig 2-9]

{FOR THE COMMANDER} Only used at higher levels Authority Line [Para 2-4c(1), 6-2]	NEW—DIGITAL SIGNATURE REQUIREMENT [Para 1-17; App F]	
Encls [Para 2-4c(3); 4-2; Fig 2-14] Same line as signature block. Total number corresponds as indicated Encls should be in order presented in body	JOHN J. JONES <i>All Caps</i> [Para 6-4c] Chaplain (CPT) USA <i>No Commas</i> [Fig D-23] Battalion Chaplain <i>Position Title</i>	
 DISTRIBUTION: [If used: Para 2-4a(5)(c); Fig 2-8, 9, & 10 Place on second line under whichever is lower— the Enclosure Listing or Signature Block. Distribution Formulas [Para 1-33, Fig 2-10] CF: [If used: Para 1-21(c); 2-4(c)(5); Fig 2-1, 2-8, 2-13 & 2 Place CF: on second line under whichever is lower— the Signature Block or Distribution Line. 	Place on 5 th line after last paragraph [Para 2-4c(2)] First letter of block begins at the center of page. (Setting 3.25 on ruler) [Para 6-4b] Do not abbreviate Chaplain as "CH". [Para 6-5c]	

HEADING FOR ADDITIONAL PAGES ON A MULTIPLE PAGE MEMORANDUM [Para 2-5; Fig 2-2; 2-8] PAGE NUMBERING [Fig 2-2] Do not put page number first page of a multi-page memorandum or on one page memorandum.

S: [Para 1-27 & 2-4a(4), Fig 2-2]

DATE [Para 1-25; 2-4a(3)]