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Dennis McHugh, Department of Administration employee and Army veteran, named December's State Employee Veteran of the Month

CARSON CITY, NV – Today, the Nevada Department of Administration announced that long-time state employee and Army veteran Dennis McHugh has been named the state's December Employee Veteran of the Month for his outstanding contributions to the State of Nevada.

McHugh served in the United States Army for eight years, including overseas deployment in Operation Desert Storm.

Following his military service, McHugh went on to spend a 26-year career in public service with the State of Nevada where he worked in information technology, most recently as the Department of Administration's Information Security Officer. In this role, McHugh proved instrumental in securing the systems, infrastructure, and information processed and stored by the state's Enterprise IT Services Division, contributing to a more secure IT environment for the executive branch of Nevada state government. McHugh retired from state service on December 28, 2021.

"Like so many of the military veterans working in state government, Dennis brought a special kind of diligence and work ethic to his state career," said Department of Administration Director Laura Freed. "He demonstrated an absolute commitment to protecting the department's information technology, particularly against the threat of malicious attacks. Even beyond his retirement, his example will continue to serve as an inspiration to his colleagues."

The Department of Administration's Enterprise IT Services Division, where McHugh worked, provides enterprise-level technology infrastructure and services to state agencies to support them in carrying out their missions to serve the people of Nevada.

The Employee Veteran of the Month award initiative began in January 2021, and each month a state employee veteran is recognized by the Nevada Department of Administration Director and the Administrator of the Division of Human Resource Management.

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