



**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON DC 20420**

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Ms. Ellen Evert Hopman
Druid Priestess
Order of the Whiteoak (Ord na Darach Gile)
P. O. Box 219
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Dear Ms. Hopman:

This letter is to inform you that your request to add the Awen emblem to the Department of Veterans Affairs list of approved emblems for Government headstones and markers has been received.

Although our office has reviewed your request, a formal decision has not yet been made. We are currently in the process of revising and clarifying our policy. We ask for your continued patience in this matter. Your request will be considered along with other pending requests upon completion of our policy revision.

We appreciate your interest in our Headstone and Marker program.

Sincerely,


Lindee L. Lenox
Acting Director
Memorial Programs Service