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Greg Brush, Montgomery County Clerk of Courts, Attorney General Cordray Supporting Ohio Veterans Through Bonus Notarization

(DAYTON, Ohio) — Ohio Attorney General Richard Cordray joined Clerk of Courts Greg Brush today to announce a new initiative in support of Ohio veterans. Veterans who served in the Persian Gulf, Afghanistan or Iraq wars are now able to apply for the statewide veterans' bonus, which was approved by Ohio voters in November. Now the clerk's and attorney general's offices will offer notarization services to make this application process simpler for local veterans.

"With eight locations around Montgomery County the Clerk of Courts office can make it very convenient for veterans, and we are happy to help with this service", said Brush.

Cordray added, "The process of providing these bonuses began a few years ago in Iraq, when an Ohioan serving as an Army captain there wrote to my office on behalf of the servicemen and women in his unit. Working together, Ohioans responded in a big way, making these bonuses a reality. It is a pleasure to continue that support by partnering with Mr. Brush, making the application process as simple as possible."

The bonus program, announced by state officials, offers eligible veterans who served in the Persian Gulf, Iraq or Afghanistan wars \$100 for each month of active duty service up to \$1,000. Eligible veterans serving on active duty elsewhere in the world during these wars may receive \$50 per month of service, up to a maximum of \$500. An eligible veteran may combine their service bonuses for a maximum payment of \$1,500. The families of those killed during these conflicts may also be eligible for compensation.

Ohio veterans who want to participate in the program must complete a state application; that application then must be notarized. To simplify the application process, Brush's and Cordray's office will both offer notarization services.

For a list of participating notaries, visit www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov/VeteransBonus.

Applicants with specific questions or who want additional information can call 1 -877-OHIO VET or visit the Ohio Department of Veterans Services online at www.veteransbonus.ohio.gov.