

**39TH LEGISLATURE
2ND REGULAR SESSION**

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**S.R. NO. 39-38
IN THE SENATE**

8 SEPTEMBER 2025

INTRODUCED BY: Sen. Tuaolo Manaia Fruean, D-6

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON:

SUBJECT:

CONFIRMATION—DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

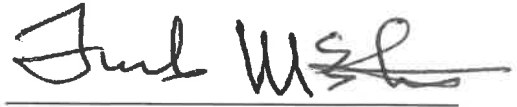
SUMMARY:

This resolution confirms the Governor’s appointment of Mr. Andrew A. Pelesasa as Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

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YES	NO		YES	NO	DATE
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4 “A SENATE RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE GOVERNOR’S
5 NOMINATION OF MR. ANDREW A. PELESASA AS THE DIRECTOR OF
6 THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION.”

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8 WHEREAS, by letter dated August 27, 2025, to Tuaolo Manaia E. Fruean,
9 President of the Senate, Governor Pulaali’i Nikolao Pula, submitted
10 the name of Mr. Andrew A. Pelesasa to the Legislature, pursuant to
11 sections 4.0111(b) and 4.0112(a)(f), A.S.C.A, for confirmation as
12 the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation; and

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14 WHEREAS, in his letter the Governor stated in part:

15 “...I hereby submit my appointment of Mr. Andrew A. Pelesasa as
16 Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

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18 I respectfully request that you and your colleagues review his
19 nomination and confirm him as Director of the Department of Parks
20 and Recreation.”

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22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
23 TERRITORY OF AMERICAN SAMOA:

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25 THAT, the nomination of Mr. Andrew A. Pelesasa as the Director of the
26 Department of Parks and Recreation is hereby confirmed; and

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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Senate is directed to
29 transmit this resolution to the Honorable Pulaali’i Nikolao Pula, Governor of
30 American Samoa; and a copy to Mr. Andrew A. Pelesasa.

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FONO TELE LONA LUA

(TALOSAGA/KOVANA)

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I LE MAOTA MAUALUGA

8 SETEMA 2025

FA'AULUFALEINA E: Senatoa Tuaolo Manaia E. Fruean, Itumalo - 6

TU'UINA ATU I LE KOMITI:

MATA'UPU:

FAAMAONIGA— FAATONUSILI, MATAGALUEGA O PAKA MA MALAE TAALO

'OTO'OTOGA:

O leni i'ugafono e faamaonia ai le tofiga a le Kovana o le Susuga ia Andrew A. Pelesasa e avea ma Faatonusili o le Matagaluega o Paka ma Malae taalo.

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2 FAAULUFALEINA E:



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4 “O SE I’UGAFONO A LE MAOTA MAUALUGA E FAAMAONIA AI LE
5 TOFIGA A LE KOVANA O LE SUSUGA IA ANDREW A. PELESASA, E AVEA
6 MA FAATONUSILI O LE MATAGALUEGA O PAKA MA MALAE TAALO.”

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8 TALUAI, i lana tusi ia Aukuso 27, 2025, i le Afioga ia Tualo Manaia Fruean,
9 Peresetene o le Maota Mauualuga, na faaoo atu ai e le Afioga i le
10 Kovana, Pulaali’i Nikolao Pula, le suafa o Andrew A. Pelesasa i le
11 Fonofaitulafono, e tusa ai ma le maga 4.0111(e) ma 4.0112(a)(f)
12 T.T.A.S., mo le faamaoniga e avea ma Faatonusili o le Matagaluega o
13 Paka ma Malae Taalo; ma

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15 TALUAI, i se vaega o lana tusi, na faapea mai ai le Afioga i le Kovana:

16 “...ua ou faaoo atu la’u tofiga o le Susuga ia Andrew A. Pelesasa e
17 avea ma Faatonusili mo le Matagaluega o Paka ma Malae Taalo.

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19 Ou te faatalosagaina ma le fa’aaloalo lau afioga ma le maota ina ia iloilo
20 ma faamaonia o ia e avea ma Faatonusili o Paka ma Malae Taalo.”

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22 O LENEI, O LE MEA LEA, IA FAAIUGAFONOINA AI E LE MAOTA
23 MAUALUGA O LE TERITORI O AMERIKA SAMOA:

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25 E FAAPEA, ua faamaonia nei le tofiga o le susuga ia Andrew A. Pelesasa e avea ma
26 Faatonusili o le Matagaluega o Paka ma Malae Taalo; ma

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28 IA TOE FAAI’UGAFONOINA FOI, e faapea e talosaga le Failautusi o le Maota
29 Mauualuga e faaoo atu lenei i’ugafono i le Afioga ia Pulaali’i Nikolao Pula, Kovana o
30 Amerika Samoa; ma se kopi i le Susuga ia Andrew A. Pelesasa.

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Andrew A. Pelesasa

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"Great leadership is measured not by authority, but by impact"

Strategic and mission-driven executive leader with 25+ years of military and government operations experience, including senior advisory roles to state executives and oversight of multi-agency programs. Proven ability to lead complex infrastructure and operational initiatives, build high-trust relationships across diverse stakeholder groups, and translate organizational goals into actionable results. Combines military precision with a collaborative leadership style that drives progress, strengthens teams, and delivers measurable impact. Passionate about public service, policy execution, and improving systems that directly serve communities.

Accomplishments

- Feb 2020 Purchased investment property in Hawaii
- Feb 2022 Retired as Sergeant Major, US Army, completed over 22 years of dedicated service
- Aug 2023 Relocated to American Samoa to support family and serve community
- Sep 2023 Honored with a traditional title "Ali'iomalo" in the village
- Dec 2023 Successfully completed water fountain project in all public schools in collaboration with the Department of Education
- Apr 2024 Official "Trainer" for Aua Village Auva'a, led team to a second-place finish in the race
- Aug 2024 Founder and CEO for Blessing LLC, established a new business venture
- Nov 2024 Earned Bachelors of Science in Liberal Arts and currently pursuing a Masters in Criminal Justice
- Apr 2025 "Trainer" for Aua Village Auva'a, led team to second-place close finish again
- Jul 2025 Relocation of GO staff to newly constructed facility, Fagatogo

Career Experience

Executive Advisor for Government Operations at American Samoa Government

January 2025 — Present

Appointed as the principal advisor to the Governor on government operations, interdepartmental performance, and infrastructure strategy. Serves as a senior liaison between the Governor's Office and major departments, including Public Works, Administrative Services, Human Resources, Veterans Affairs, and others.

- Revitalized critical infrastructure projects that had experienced long-term delays or were previously stagnant. Applied strategic oversight, relationship-building, and decisive execution to fast-track construction and development efforts that had been dormant for months or years.
- Spearheaded the completion of multiple high-priority projects ahead of schedule, outperforming projected deadlines by leveraging partnerships with both public agencies and private-sector contractors.
- Built and expanded a cross-sector operational network, engaging government departments, local contractors, and national infrastructure firms to address project gaps, enhance resource allocation, and drive results.

Biography

Andrew A. Pelesasa — a proud son of Aua — returned to American Samoa after nearly 23 years of distinguished service in the United States Army with one clear mission: to give back to the community that shaped him. His leadership career took him around the globe, where he managed people, budgets, and complex operations under demanding conditions. Today, those same skills fuel his vision for building stronger, healthier, and more connected communities here at home.

Since his return, Andrew has immersed himself in community development and youth mentorship. He led the *'auva'a* of Aua to two consecutive top-two finishes in the territory's prestigious fautasi race, instilling discipline, teamwork, and cultural pride in the next generation. As a Career Day speaker during Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) Week at Fagaitua High School, he guided students on preparing for adulthood and shared lessons from his life in both American Samoa and abroad. He has also mentored, prepared, and inspired young men from his village to successfully enlist in the U.S. Armed Forces — equipping them with the discipline, service mindset, and opportunities to thrive.

His support for youth extends beyond mentorship. Andrew donated and hosted a “Back-to-School” volleyball tournament, giving young people a positive space to compete and celebrate the end of summer. He also took part in the American Samoa Government's island-wide village clean-up competition, where Aua proudly earned second place. For Andrew, sports, community events, and environmental stewardship are not just activities — they are building blocks for discipline, unity, and village pride.

The son of Lusia Grohse Salanoa Aumoeualogo of Aua and the late Anetele'a Pelesasa Jr. of Nu'uuli, Leone, Lau'i, Amouli, and Leloalua, Andrew is a devoted father to five beautiful children — Drucilla, Nu'u, Manai, Vanessa, and Ali'itasi — who inspire his daily commitment to creating a better future for the next generation. He holds an Associate of Arts in General Studies and a Bachelor of Science in Liberal Arts from Excelsior University, and he remains committed to lifelong learning as a tool for service.

Andrew's professional training reflects the highest levels of executive leadership and organizational management. The pinnacle of his military education was graduating from the U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy — the Army's premier and culminating leadership course that prepares senior leaders for the most critical command and executive positions, focusing on strategic decision-making, policy development, and the management of large, complex organizations.

In his final military assignment before retirement, Andrew served as the Garrison Operations Sergeant Major for military installations in Hawaii — a role equivalent to a senior executive overseeing the economic development, infrastructure management, and daily operations of the USARHAW footprint. He worked closely with civilian agencies, local government, and military leadership to implement policies that not only strengthened the quality of life for service members and their families but also ensured that units across the Pacific theater were trained, equipped, and prepared to respond to natural disasters and humanitarian crises. This experience honed his ability to balance operational readiness with long-term community and economic development — skills directly transferable to leading large-scale public programs.

Grounded in faith and driven by a deep love for his people, Andrew Pelesasa looks forward to working closely with each village's *matai* and village councils, recognizing them as essential stakeholders and key decision-makers in the success of his initiatives and projects. He is ready to bring his leadership, vision, and dedication to the role of Director of Parks and Recreation — ensuring American Samoa's parks and programs remain places where culture thrives, families connect, and future generations are inspired.

Personally led the transition and relocation of the Governor's staff and critical departments into a newly constructed temporary facility, overseeing end-to-end planning, logistics, and execution for personnel, equipment, IT infrastructure, and physical assets.

Ensured continuity of government services during the move by coordinating across internal departments and external vendors to minimize disruptions and maintain productivity.

Routinely conducted hands-on progress inspections and follow-ups, holding teams accountable and providing real-time feedback to ensure timelines, safety standards, and quality expectations were met or exceeded.

Championed a culture of execution-focused leadership and interdepartmental accountability, aligning every major effort with the Governor's vision for transparency, efficiency, and service delivery to the people of American Samoa.

Recognized for bringing a disciplined, results-driven approach to government project management — balancing urgency with long-term planning and team development.

Founder/CEO at Blessing LLC, Tafuna, AS

August 2024 — January 2025

Founded and led a private distribution company that provided medical, educational, and general supplies to both public institutions and private organizations across American Samoa.

- Built vendor relationships and negotiated procurement contracts to secure cost-effective, high-quality materials for government agencies and local businesses.
- Directed end-to-end supply chain management, including purchasing, inventory control, logistics, and client service.
- Streamlined operations to ensure timely delivery of essential goods, even in geographically remote areas with limited infrastructure.
- Developed business plans and operational systems that aligned with regional economic development and community needs.
- Established the foundation for long-term business growth with a focus on sustainability, customer service, and local economic contribution.

Operations Coordinator at Polymite Rentals, Tafuna, AS

August 2023 — January 2025

Managed daily operations for a rental equipment company serving construction, commercial, and private clients.

Designed and implemented a performance tracking system that improved service delivery and internal accountability.

Created a feedback management process that led to measurable increases in customer satisfaction.

- Oversaw equipment scheduling, maintenance tracking, and rental logistics, ensuring operational readiness and reliability.

Contributed to business development efforts by identifying opportunities to expand service offerings and reach new markets.

Garrison Operations Sergeant Major at 25 Infantry Division Garrison, Schofield Barracks June 2021 — February 2022

Directed base-wide operations in support of military and community infrastructure across the state of Hawaii, including Schofield Barracks, Fort Shafter, and other key installations.

- Served as the senior enlisted advisor for garrison operations, coordinating daily activities and long-range planning across mission support functions.
- Oversaw infrastructure development and facility management projects that supported operational readiness and improved quality of life for thousands of personnel and their families.
- Partnered with installation leadership, civilian contractors, and state officials to align Department of Defense priorities with local regulatory and environmental requirements.
- Spearheaded initiatives that optimized base-wide logistics, emergency preparedness, and multi-agency coordination, directly impacting service delivery and resource management.

- Translated strategic objectives into executable plans, ensuring continuity of operations during periods of heightened activity or limited resources.

Brigade Operations Sergeant Major at 2d Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Schofield Barracks May 2020 – June 2021

Served as the principal operational advisor to the Brigade Command Team, supporting strategic planning and cross-organizational execution for over 4,000 personnel.

- Led brigade-wide planning, coordination, and execution of complex training events, multinational exercises, and operational deployments.
Fostered collaborative relationships with internal staff and external agencies, including joint commands, allied military forces, and civilian partners—ensuring seamless information flow and mission alignment.
Cultivated a culture of transparency, teamwork, and accountability by mentoring mid- to senior-level leaders and establishing systems that promoted feedback and continuous improvement.
Played a pivotal role in synchronizing operations beyond the brigade's direct span of control, accelerating decision-making and enhancing mission outcomes through trusted stakeholder engagement.
- Delivered briefings and operational updates to general officers, multinational partners, and community leaders with clarity and strategic insight.

Battalion Command/Operations Sergeant Major at 2-27 Infantry Battalion, Schofield Barracks July 2018 – May 2020

Held dual roles as the senior enlisted advisor and operations lead for the battalion in the absence of the Command Sergeant Major. Managed all command functions, operations planning, and execution for a 700+ soldier unit.

- Directed full-spectrum operational planning and execution for domestic training and overseas readiness missions, including mobilization and large-scale personnel movements.
- Spearheaded the relocation of troops and equipment for field training exercises and strategic operations, overseeing coordination with transportation assets, training sites, and logistics nodes.
Led from the front during high-tempo periods, ensuring mission continuity, readiness, and leadership stability across the command.
- Built and maintained critical partnerships with brigade leadership, installation services, and external stakeholders to secure resources and coordinate multi-unit efforts.
- Acted as a stabilizing and results-oriented leader during transitions, mitigating organizational risk and driving high performance in dynamic environments.
- Recognized for operational excellence and adaptive leadership, bridging communication between command teams and ground-level leaders to meet timelines and performance targets.

HHC Company 1SG at 1st Battalion 38th Infantry (Rock of the Marne), Fort Carson, CO July 2016 – August 2017

Served as the senior enlisted leader for the Battalion Headquarters Company, responsible for the welfare, readiness, and professional development of over 150 personnel.

- Designed and implemented leadership development programs and mentorship initiatives that improved retention and performance across the organization.
- Directed the coordination of daily operations, training schedules, and logistical support, ensuring mission-critical tasks were completed on time and to standard.
- Led the unit to a first-place finish among 36 companies during brigade-wide competitions by fostering teamwork, resilience, and operational discipline.
- Provided trusted counsel to senior field-grade officers, influencing strategic decisions related to resource allocation and organizational priorities.

Charlie Company 1SG at 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry (Manchu), Fort Carson, CO

January 2016 — June 2016

Hand-selected by brigade leadership to lead a company designated as the primary effort for multiple high-visibility missions.

- Oversaw unit deployment to Camp Shelby, MS, for joint operations with U.S. Marine Special Forces, ensuring seamless integration and mission success.

- Planned and supervised multinational training exercises with foreign military units, strengthening interoperability and enhancing mission capability.

- Managed complex personnel and equipment movements, establishing best practices that minimized risk and maximized efficiency during rapid deployments.

HHD Company First Sergeant at UNCSB-JSA, Korea, Camp Bonifas, Korea

November 2014 — December 2015

Selected to lead a 100-member multinational security unit tasked with securing the Korean Demilitarized Zone (DMZ).

- Directed round-the-clock security operations at one of the most sensitive borders in the world, balancing mission effectiveness with diplomatic sensitivities.

- Coordinated operations with Republic of Korea (ROK) soldiers and allied forces, ensuring seamless communication and joint execution of critical tasks.

- Developed contingency plans and operational protocols that strengthened security posture and improved coordination with international partners.

- Enhanced cross-cultural understanding and trust among U.S. and allied personnel through deliberate engagement and leadership.

BCT Company 1SG at 2nd Battalion, 48th Infantry, Fort Benning, GA

June 2012 — November 2014

Led a basic combat training company responsible for transforming over 1,000 civilians annually into disciplined and capable soldiers.

- Selected by the Brigade Commander to represent the installation during the TRADOC Program of Instruction review, a major effort that modernized Army training processes.

- Championed organizational changes that improved training efficiency and the quality of instruction for future soldiers.

- Mentored and developed a cadre of instructors, increasing leadership capacity and overall program effectiveness.

- Ensured compliance with regulatory standards while balancing demanding timelines and resource constraints.

Operations SGM at 1st Battalion, 26th Infantry (Blue Spaders), Fort Knox, KY

January 2010 — June 2012

Held a senior-level operations role two levels above rank, overseeing operational planning and execution for a 700+ soldier battalion.

- Developed and implemented the battalion's operational framework for deployments to the Joint Readiness Training Center and Operation Enduring Freedom.

- Directed the relocation of the entire battalion from Fort Hood, TX, to Fort Knox, KY, ensuring continuity of operations during the move.

- Produced over 30 comprehensive operations orders that guided complex training events, readiness exercises, and overseas combat missions.

- Coordinated resources and timelines across multiple internal and external stakeholders, consistently meeting operational deadlines under demanding conditions.

- Recognized for exceptional technical and tactical expertise, directly contributing to the unit's success during deployment to Afghanistan.

Platoon Sergeant at 1st Battalion, 26th Infantry (Blue Spaders), Fort Hood, TX

January 2007 — February 2010

Served as senior leader of a light infantry platoon deployed to Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom.

Led over 400 high-risk combat patrols across mountainous terrain in the Kunar Province, ensuring troop safety and mission success.

- Managed training, welfare, and operational readiness for a 40-member team, fostering a high-performing and cohesive unit.
 - Demonstrated extraordinary leadership under fire, earning the Bronze Star and the Army Commendation Medal with "V" device for valor.
- Coordinated joint efforts with Afghan forces and coalition partners, building trust and advancing mission objectives.
- Mentored junior leaders in decision-making, conflict resolution, and tactical operations.

Squad Leader at 1st Battalion, 17th Infantry Regiment (Buffalos), Fort Wainwright, AK March 2002 — November 2006

Led a squad of 10 soldiers and oversaw a platoon-sized team during a 15-month deployment to Mosul, Iraq, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

- Executed over 450 combat patrols and 25 targeted raids, helping stabilize high-risk areas and protect civilian populations.
- Managed the operation and maintenance of four Stryker armored vehicles and related tactical equipment.
- Developed and executed mission plans, supervised supply readiness, and ensured personnel accountability.
- Recognized for strategic thinking, attention to detail, and composure in high-pressure situations, earning the Bronze Star.

M240B Gunner/TMLDR at 2nd BN, 87th IN Regiment (Catamounts), Fort Drum, NY October 1999 — February 2002

Began military career as a machine gunner and later served as team leader for a small combat element within a light infantry platoon.

- Provided fire support and overwatch during training exercises and real-world peacekeeping missions.
 - Deployed to the Sinai Peninsula, Egypt, for a 6–8 month peacekeeping mission, monitoring the Egypt-Israel border under multinational command.
- Maintained 100% accountability and readiness of sensitive equipment while mentoring new soldiers on tactical and leadership fundamentals.
- Honed foundational leadership, operational, and coordination skills that would later support senior roles.

Education

Masters in Criminal Justice, June 2023 — Present
Excelsior University, Albany, NY

Bachelors of Science in Liberal Art, June 2022 — November 2024
Excelsior University, Albany, NY

Associates in Science in Liberal Arts , July 2017 — August 2018
Excelsior University, Fort Bliss, TX

Diploma, July 2017 — August 2018
United States Army Sergeants Major Academy (USASMA), Fort Bliss, TX

Certificate, 2017 – June 2017
Master Resilience TRNG, Fort Benning, GA

Certificate, June 2014 – July 2014
Airborne, Fort Benning, GA

Certificate, July 2013 – August 2013
Company Level Pre-Comm, Korea

Certificate, March 2012 – April 2012
Leadership Development, Fort Benning, GA

Certificate, May 2012 – June 2012
CO CDR/1SG Course, Fort Benning, GA

Certificate, June 2010 – July 2010
Heavy Weapons Leaders, Fort Knox, KY

Certificate, March 2008 – May 2008
Senior Leaders Course (SLC), Fort Knox, KY

Certificate, October 2005 – November 2005
Combat Lifesavers Course (CLS), Fort Wainwright, AK

Certificate, June 2004 – August 2004
Advance Leaders Course, Fort Benning, GA

Certificate, February 2003 – March 2003
Northern Warfare Training Center (NWTC), Fort Richardson, AK

Certificate, June 2002 – June 2002
Unit Prevention Leader (UPL), Fort Wainwright, AK

Certificate, July 2002 – August 2002
Basic Leader Course (BLC), Fort Richardson, AK

Certificate, January 2002 – March 2002
Pre Ranger School, Fort Benning, GA

Certificate, January 2000 – February 2000
Air Assault Course, Fort Drum, NY

Areas of Expertise

Government Operations Oversight - Experienced in advising top-level government officials and executing initiatives across public works, HR, veterans services, and administrative functions.

Project & Infrastructure Management – Oversaw planning and execution of construction, logistics, and operational support projects impacting thousands of personnel.

Strategic Planning & Execution – Adept at leading multi-phase operations, readiness missions, and infrastructure projects with cross-functional teams.

Crisis & Contingency Operations – Skilled in managing large-scale operations under pressure, including disaster readiness and rapid mobilization efforts.

Stakeholder & Interagency Coordination – Builds and sustains productive relationships across departments, agencies, civilian authorities, and community leaders.

Organizational Leadership – Led teams of up to 700+ personnel, cultivating trust, accountability, and high performance across all levels.

- **Policy Implementation & Compliance** – Ensures programs adhere to regulatory standards while achieving strategic outcomes.

Mentorship & Talent Development – Known for investing in future leaders, fostering a values-based culture, and promoting personal and professional growth.

Army Awards and Decorations

Awards

- **Legion of Merit (1)**
- **Bronze Star Medal (3)**
- **Meritorious Service Medal (3)**
- **Army Commendation Medal "V" (1)**
- **Army Commendation Medal (2)**
- **Army Achievement Medal (3)**
- **Meritorious Unit Commendation (1)**
- **Army Good Conduct Medal (6)**
- **National Defense Service Medal (1)**
- **Afghanistan Campaign Medal (2)**
- **Iraq Campaign Medal (2)**
- **Global War on Terrorism Service Medal (2)**
- **Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal (2)**
- **Korea Defense Service Medal (1)**
- **Non-Commission Officer Professional Development Ribbon (5)**
- **Army Service Ribbon (1)**
- **Overseas Ribbon (6)**
- **NATO Medal (2)**

Decorations

- **Multinational Force & Observers Medal (1)**
- **Order of Saint Maurice (1)**
- **Expert Infantry Badge (1)**
- **Arctic Tab (1)**
- **Combat Infantry Badge (1)**
- **Parachutist Badge (1)**
- **Air Assault Badge (1)**



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To: The Office of Immigration Department of Treasury - Tax Division
 Office of Motor Vehicle To Whom it may Concern

From: Traffic Violations Bureau
 Subject: Clearance

Date: September 03, 2025

Name: ANDREW PELESASA JW Name ID: 163240
 Gender: Male DOB: 1/19/79 SSN: XXX-XX-6815
 Passport #: DL #: H01600821 Immigration (AR) #:

The above named individual has documented criminal record(s). All fines are paid in full, or outstanding fines are being paid in installments.

Or

The above named individual does not have any documented criminal record.

And

The above named individual has driving record(s) with the Traffic Violations Bureau, District Court of American Samoa. All fines are paid in full, or outstanding fines are being paid in installments.

Or

The above named individual does not have any driving record with the Traffic Violations Bureau, District Court of American Samoa.

Initial appropriate boxes (If applicable, the individuals records are attached)



 Deputy Clerk / Clerk of Courts



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HIGH COURT OF AMERICAN SAMOA
 Clerk's Office
 File Time: 7:51am
9/3/25
 Terry S. Fielding, CLERK OF COURTS

Name: PELESASA, ANDREW

Gender: Male

SSN: XXX-XX-6815

DOB: 1/19/79

JW ID: 163240

Obligations:

Case Number	Case Title	Outstanding Obligation(s)	Amount Due	Due Date
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Cases (Historical DBase):

Case Number	Statute Code	Incident Date	License Plate	Appearance Date	Disposition (Dispo)	Dispo Date
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Cases:

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