



Vietnam Dog Handlers Association



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Jesse Mendez

Columbus, GA

Jesse:

I have received your "cost estimate" for memorial plaques mounted on stone from Randy Kimler. The VDHA is not set up to raise funds for memorials. There are no official records of the VDHA ever having had any contract, partnership or written agreement with Jeffrey Bennett or the War Dog Memorial Fund (WDMF). Besides, Mr. Jeffrey Bennett has since resigned his involvement and support of the VDHA without a specific reason except to say thanks to its members.

The only avenue I can think of for your "cost estimate" is for you to establish a fund raising campaign of your own, like Ron Aiello and John O'Donnell have done in the northeast. When you've completed your proposal and are ready to raise public funds, the VDHA will advertise your efforts in DOGMAN and on the VDHA web site. That is the best we can do for now.

Keep up the good work as I think your idea has a lot of merit.

Regards,

John C. Burnam
VDHA President