

STATEMENT FROM SGM (Ret.) LARRY JORDAN

I am writing this endorsement of Mr. Ronald “Chris” Garland’s recent development of his Combat Knives/short-swords series.

My background and qualifications to write such an endorsement are:

I retired from the U.S. Army in 1997. I served in Special Operations units for more than 21 years. My service included duty with the U.S. Army Rangers and Special Forces.

I have been a practitioner and teacher of Martial Arts for more than 40 years and Military Combatives (Hand-to-hand Combat) for more than 30 years. As a recognized leader in the field of Military Close Combat, In 2000 I was selected by BG Frank Toney, Jr., the Commander, of US Army Special Forces Command to serve as his Special Advisor/Consultant on all Combatives Programs within the Special Forces Command.

I am the Co-Director, of the International Close-Combat Instructors Association (ICCIA) and the Co-Founder of the organization whose members represent the World’s Leading Close-Combat Instructors.

It is from my extensive Military and Martial Arts background that I write this endorsement.

I personally and professionally rate Garland’s knives and short-swords as the “Best” available today. In my opinion and based on my personal “Hands-on” testing, as an Extreme Close-Quarters Combat Edged Weapon, this line is without equal.

If I were to deploy on any Special Operations mission, I’d want one or more of these fine Edged Weapons with me as part of my Combat kit.

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