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PURPLE HEART

FORT GORDON, Ga. – Media are invited to attend the presentation of the Purple Heart to Spc. Joshua Cleveland of the Warrior Transition Battalion, hosted by Brig. Gen. John B. Morrison, Jr., Commanding General, 7th Signal Command (Theater), on Feb. 13, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. in the Dwight D. Eisenhower Army Medical Center Auditorium, on Fort Gordon.

On June 19, 2013 in Afghanistan, Cleveland was the gunner during an ambush just outside the Combat Outpost MacClean's gate.

His vehicle took five direct rocket propelled grenade (RPG) hits and three detonated on the vehicle which pushed the Mine Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) vehicle to the side.

After the RPGs hit the vehicle, an improvised explosive device (IED) detonated at the back of the vehicle which lifted the side of the truck and Cleveland's right shoulder was dislocated and he received a traumatic brain injury.

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