



Freelance War Reporter **Alex Quade** covers U.S. Special Operations Forces on combat missions. She is the recipient of a national RTDNA Edward R. Murrow Award, as well as the Congressional Medal Of Honor Society's "Tex McCrary Award For Excellence In Journalism" for her war reportage.

The Medal of Honor recipients present the award to individuals who, through their life's work, have distinguished themselves by service or unbiased coverage of the United States Military through journalism. Prior recipients of this prestigious award include legendary broadcasters Tom Brokaw, Mike Wallace, Tim Russert, Paul Harvey, and author Joe Galloway.

The Congressional Medal of Honor Society recognized Ms. Quade, "for her courageous reporting and honest news coverage".

Ms. Quade has worked in television for Fox News and CNN. Extreme storytelling and silent risk-taking lie at the heart of what she does. As a "one-man-band", she embeds with elite combat units several months at a time, producing exclusive, long-form, special series and documentaries.

"Chinook Down" is her investigation into the Taliban surface-to-air missile shoot down of a U.S. Chinook helicopter in Afghanistan, that killed all on board. Alex Quade was supposed to be on that helicopter. She survived to report firsthand on the recovery efforts, which included a fierce firefight. The mission involved Army Special Forces Green Berets, Air Force Special Operations assets, Parachute Infantry Regiment and Combat Aviation Brigade elements. Ms. Quade gathered material about the attack on the helicopter, obtained previously unreleased documents from the Pentagon and collected video from soldiers and pilots on the scene. The result of her work is a video special for The New...

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