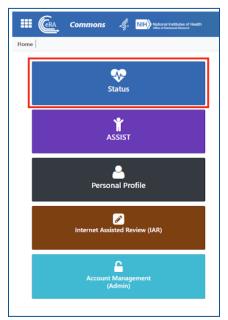
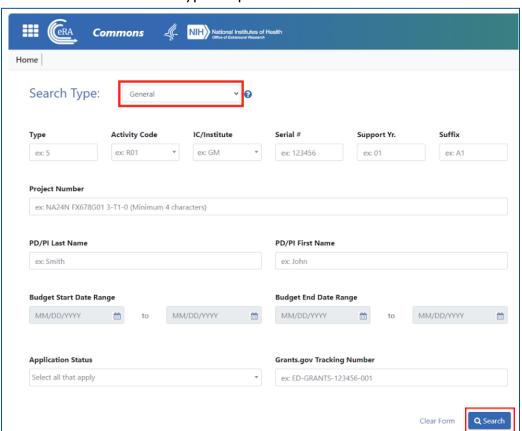
## eRA Post-Award: Accept a New Award

When a grant application has been reviewed and funding decisions have been made, the Signing Official (SO) will have the option to accept or decline the award through the Status module. Only those with the SO role will be able to accept/decline an award.

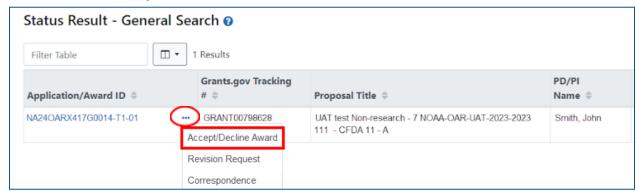
1. Log into eRA Commons and select the **Status** button from the left hand menu.



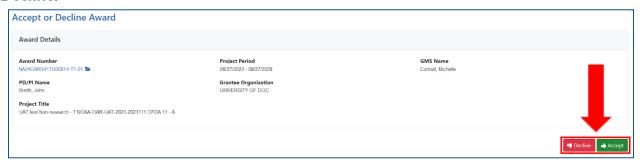
2. Select General from the Search Type dropdown menu and then select Search.



3. Find the award you would like to accept and select the **ellipsis** next to the award ID, then select **Accept/Decline Award**.



4. You will be brought to the Accept or Decline Award screen. Select either **Accept** or **Decline**.



5. If you select **Accept** the award, you have the option to enter comments and select **Accept** to finalize. If you **Decline** the award, you can also enter optional comments before selecting **Decline** to finalize. Declining an award will cause the Notice of Award to become null and void; this action is not reversible.

