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Field Artillery**

**“BATTLE CAMPAIGNS  
and  
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## **158th Field Artillery Battalion**

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## PREFACE

I have decided to capture as much of the 158th Field Artillery's history as possible, so this is the second volume that is based upon source materials that are available and archived. Just from the mere act of time passing, facts can be open to interpretation and indeed they can be viewed differently by different people. For this reason I have compiled U. S. Library of Congress PCN 2018957292 volumes:

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## ORGANIZATIONAL COLORS

The flag of the United States is the symbol of our nation and is often referred to as the "National colors". The heart, spirit, and soul of the 158th Field Artillery Battalion are the "organizational colors". This ensign bears all the accolades that the unit achieved on the battlefield as well as its honors. The battle campaign streamers are a record of the costly history of the battalion and the honor streamers are a record of its commemoration of deeds performed. As a symbol of the battalion they are treated with reverence and they are always safe guarded by the "keeper of the colors", the battalion sergeant major. In most modern armies, units will have "Standing Orders" that require the "colors" to be intentionally destroyed if they are ever in danger of being captured by the enemy.



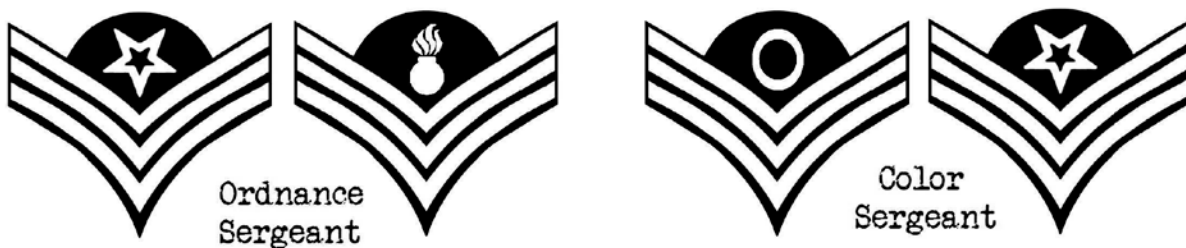
The practice of carrying “colors” may have originated in ancient armies as far back as 5000 years ago. “Colors” act as a rallying point, as well as the unit’s location on the battlefield. As armies adopted and trained in battlefield formations, soldiers needed a rallying point to determine where their unit was located. In the smoke, dust, and noise on a battlefield, soldiers were able to rally on an ensign and in the heat and chaos of battle this was critical to the unit’s success.

The American military adapted most of its rank insignia from the British, so the Continental Army had the rank of “Ensign” which was derived from the French word “enseigne” meaning a symbol, flag, standard, or pennant. The rank of Ensign was bestowed upon the lowest ranking commissioned officers, who were traditionally tasked with carrying the national and organizational colors, and the rank acquired the name. On page 75 of the “Regulations for the Order and Discipline of the Troops of the United States of 1779, Major General Friedrich Wilhelm von Steuben, wrote instructions for the Ensign: ...As there are only two colors to a regiment, the ensigns must carry them by turns, being warned for that service by the adjutant. When on that duty, they should consider the importance of the trust reposed in them; and when in action, resolve not to part with the colors but with their lives. As it is by them that the battalion dresses when marching in line, they should be very careful to keep a regular step, and by frequent practice, accustom themselves to march straight forward to any given object”.

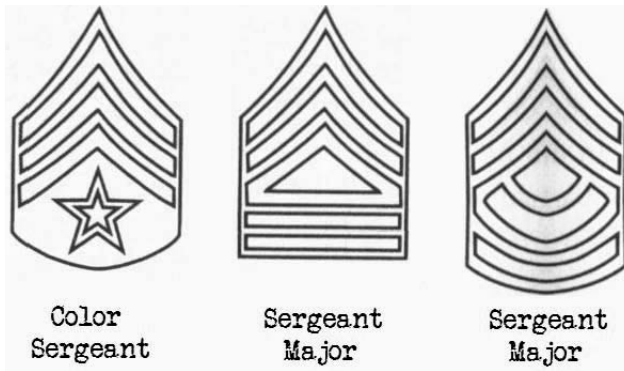
As rank insignia evolved Second Lieutenants replaced the Army’s Ensigns. Bearing the colors was turned over to the regimental non-commissioned staff, which consisted of a sergeant major, a quartermaster sergeant, an ordnance sergeant, a commissary sergeant, two color sergeants, a hospital steward, a chief trumpeter, a drum major, and a mounted orderly.

Even though the position was not officially recognized in the army tables of organization, it was a long standing custom for each regiment to designate a sergeant “selected for his gallantry and military bearing to carry the regimental colors” on all occasions, including parades, reviews, marches, and ultimately in battle. Accordingly, it was a position of high honor and respect in the regiment.

In the 1880’s there was no special insignia for color sergeants, they wore “non-regulation” insignia consisting of three chevrons cradling crossed flags in the angle of the chevrons. So in March of 1883 Inspector General Delos B. Sacket recommended to the Secretary of War that color sergeants be accorded a distinctive chevron consisting of a five pointed star centered on the stripes, however the star device was already assigned to Post Ordnance Sergeants (1st chevron), so instead they elected instead to use a sphere above the chevrons for all the color sergeants (3rd chevron). In 1901 the Brigadier General Marshall I. Ludington, Quartermaster General, realized that the ordnance sergeants wore a “shell and flame” as a cap ornament however they wore a five pointed star in their chevrons, in order to fix this incongruity, the ordnance sergeant’s were to bear the “shell and flame” in their chevrons (2nd chevron). The sphere above the chevrons for all the color sergeants, which was never preferred, was now substituted with the five pointed star (4th chevron).



In 1903 the Army introduced a new enlisted rank system that called for chevrons to be point-up, smaller in size, and the practice of using bars under chevrons to designate senior support was replaced with arcs.



In 1922 the Joint Service Pay Readjustment Act was passed (Public Law 67-235; June 10, 1922) which divided the enlisted ranks into "pay grades" for enlisted personnel, 1 through 7, abolished the rank of color sergeant, but the most remarkable change of this law was that it eliminated the rank of sergeant major, which was always the most senior sergeant of his regiment or battalion, and was selected by referring to the 1779 General Von Steuben's instructions that the Sergeant Major "should be very expert in every other business of the adjutant, to whom he is an assistant."

1958 saw the Military Pay Bill pass and made into law, it established two new enlisted pay grades E-8 and E-9, or the "super grades." In 1962 the Army Chief of Staff, General George H. Decker decided that in the tradition of the British Army, the most senior noncommissioned officer would be addressed as "Sergeant Major". Although the Army abolished the rank of color sergeant, the need for a color guard did not diminish, as each regiment had two flags, the U.S. and organizational colors, and because of this need placed the five pointed star into the Sergeant Major insignia. Today's honor belongs to the "keeper of the colors", the Sergeant Major.



## **COMMAND SERGEANT MAJORS**

As stated earlier, the most senior sergeant of the battalion was referred to as "sergeant major", due to this and until the actual establishment of the 1958 Military Pay Act which created the actual rank and pay grade of the E-9/Command Sergeant Major, I have chosen to only name the following sergeants majors who are known to have had responsibility and or interim responsibility in the billet of Battalion Command Sergeant Major of the 158th Field Artillery during its existence, and they are as follows:

CSM Richard E. Bowers 1968-1974  
 CSM Ruby N. Hightower 1975-1976 \*  
 CSM Medgar D. Beaver Sr. 1983-1986  
 CSM Charles W. Watts 1992-1995  
 CSM James V. Jouret 1998-2003  
 CSM Jimmy L. Venable 2007-2013  
 CSM James J. Wynne 2015-2019

CSM Donald D. Liles 1974-1977  
 CSM Robert L. Stringer 1977-1983  
 CSM James D. Spruill 1986-1992  
 CSM William R. Lynn Jr. 1995-1998  
 CSM John T. Jenson 2003-2007  
 CSM Mark L. Rackley 2013-2015  
 CSM David A. Slezcicky 2019-Present

\*2nd Battalion 158th Field Artillery Honest John



**Richard E. Bowers**



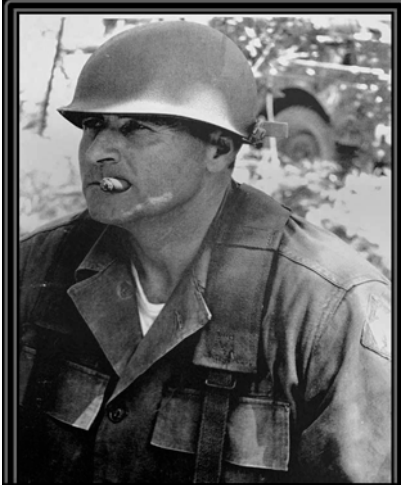
**Donald D. Liles**



**Rudy N. Hightower**



**Robert L. Stringer**



**Medgar D. Beaver Sr.**



**James D. Spruill**



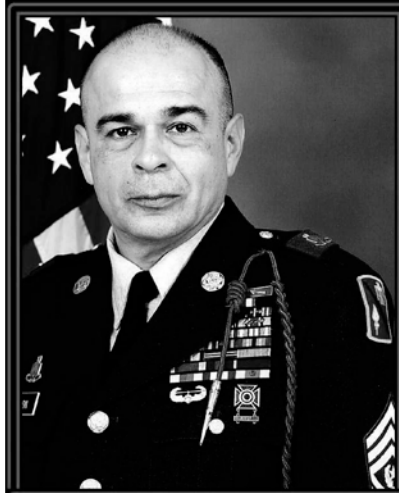
**Charles W. Watts**



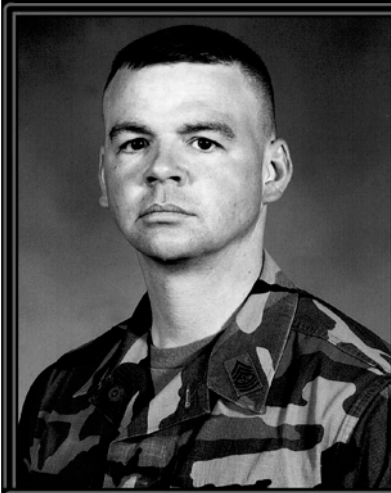
**William R. Lynn Jr.**



**James V. Jouret**



**John T. Jenson**



**Jimmy L. Venable**



**Mark L. Rackley**



**James J. Wynne**



**David A. Slezickey**



## LINEAGE

The heart of the organizational history of the 158th Field Artillery is the Lineage and Honors Certificate. This document serves as the "birth certificate" of the 158th Field Artillery and its' legal function is the "service record" of the unit. It is a concise statement of the organizational history and primarily it denotes the dates it was placed on the official rolls of the Army, as well as activations and in-activations and changes in unit designation. It also includes the official list of battle honors awarded to the unit, campaign participation credit and unit decorations (both American and foreign). The lineage of a unit is its military history: its organization, entry into Federal service, reorganization and redesignation. The honors of a unit consist of campaign and unit decoration streamers. The preservation of unit lineage and honors is important in building unit cohesion and instilling esprit de corps. Soldiers are proud to wear an insignia which shows participation in the nation's wars or indicative of mission and location and to serve in a unit that has a long and distinguished history.

Unlike other components of the Army, ARNG units do not activate or inactivate. If a unit cannot be retained in the force structure either by redesignation, conversion, consolidation or change of station, the unit leaves the force by either being broken up or being disbanded and its Federal recognition withdrawn. Therefore, it is the responsibility of the ARNG to safeguard and maintain its most historic units. Once lost, a former unit cannot return to the force with its previous lineage and honors.

**Lineage of the 158th Field Artillery:** Constituted 26 February 1920 in the Oklahoma National Guard as the 158th Field Artillery. Organized 1921–1923 from new and existing units; Headquarters federally recognized 15 May 1923 at Anadarko. Inducted into Federal service 16 September 1940 at home stations. Regiment broken up 11 February 1942 and its elements reorganized and redesignated as follows: Headquarters and Headquarters Battery disbanded; 1st Battalion as the 158th Field Artillery Battalion and assigned to the 45th Infantry Division. 158th Field Artillery Battalion inactivated 24 November 1945 at Camp Bowie, Texas. Consolidated 27 September 1946 with Headquarters, 158th Field Artillery, reorganized, and federally recognized as the 158th Field Artillery Battalion with Headquarters at Chickasha. Ordered into active Federal service 1 September 1950 at home stations. 158th Field Artillery Battalion [NGUS] organized and federally recognized 3 November 1952 with Headquarters at Chickasha. Released 30 April 1954 from active Federal service and reverted to state control; Federal recognition concurrently withdrawn from the 158th Field Artillery Battalion (NGUS). Reorganized and redesignated 1 May 1959 as the 158th Artillery, a parent regiment under the Combat Arms Regimental System, to consist of the 1st and 2nd Howitzer Battalions, elements of the 45th Infantry Division. Reorganized 1 April 1963 to consist of the 1st Battalion, an element of the 45th Infantry Division. Reorganized 1 February 1968 to consist of the 1st Battalion. Reorganized 1 December 1971 to consist of the 1st Field Artillery Battalion. Redesignated 1 May 1972 as the 158th Field Artillery. Reorganized 1 May 1975 to consist of the 1st and 2nd Battalions. Reorganized 1 April 1977 to consist of the 1st Battalion. Withdrawn 1 June 1989 from the Combat Arms Regimental System and reorganized under the United States Army Regimental System. 1st Battalion ordered into active federal service 21 November 1990 at home stations; released 23 May 1991 from active federal service and reverted to state control. 1st Battalion ordered into active federal service 15 March 2003 at home stations; released from active federal service 27 May 2003 and reverted to state control. Redesignated 1 October 2005 as the 158th Field Artillery Regiment. 1st Battalion, ordered into active federal service 19 August 2008 at home stations. Reorganized 1 September 2008 to consist of the 1st Battalion, an element of the 45th Infantry Brigade Combat Team. 1st Battalion released from active federal service 22 September 2009 and reverted to state control.

**Terms:**

- Allot:** To assign a unit to the National Guard of one of the several States.
- Consolidate:** To merge or combine two or more units into one new unit.
- Redesignate:** To change a unit's official name or number or both. This action is a change of title only. The unit's lineage and honors remain the same.
- Reorganize:** To change the structure of a unit in accordance with a new TOE or to change from one type of unit to another in the same branch. Also to organize a former unit.

Below are the published official lineages of the 158th Field Artillery from 1951 and 2014 respectively:

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF LINEAGE AND BATTLE HONORS		STATUS
		Active
DESIGNATION	158th FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION	COMPONENT NG (Okla.) (45th Inf Div)
LINEAGE		AUTHORITIES
<p>Parent unit constituted 26 February 1920 as the 158th Field Artillery Regiment, Oklahoma National Guard.</p> <p>Organized (less Batteries A and E) and Federally recognized 15 May 1923 with Head- quarters at Anadarko, Oklahoma, an element of the 45th Division (Battery A organized April 1909 as an element of the New Mexico National Guard; Battery E organized 1921 as an element of the Arizona National Guard).</p> <p>(Battery A (New Mexico National Guard) withdrawn, reorganized and redesignated Company A, 104th Infantry Battalion(Antitank) 10 September 1940, separate lineage).</p> <p>Inducted into Federal service 16 September 1940 at Anadarko.</p> <p>Regiment broken up 11 February 1942: 1st Battalion reorganized and redesignated 158th Field Artillery Battalion(2nd Battalion redesignated 207th Field Artillery Battalion, separate lineage; Headquarters and Headquarters Battery disbanded).</p> <p>Inactivated 24 November 1945 at Camp Bowie, Texas.</p> <p>Consolidated with Headquarterd, 158th Field Artillery Regiment (reconstituted 1945) and reorganized, less Battery E (Arizona), as 158th Field Artillery Battalion; Federally recognized with Headquarters at Chickasha, Oklahoma, 27 September 1946, an element of the 45th Infantry Division.</p> <p>Ordered into active military service 1 September 1950 at Chickasha, Oklahoma.</p> <p>HOME AREA</p> <p>Oklahoma (Headquarters at Chickasha, Oklahoma.</p>	<p>MB 325.4 Okla., 26 Feb 1920; AG 325.455 (Misc. Div) 7 Dec 1920; MB 325.455- Okla. (O.N.G.A., 8th C.A.) 19 Oct 1921.</p> <p>NG Register, 1939; NGB Recog Repts.</p> <p>(NGB 325.4-New Mexico - 1, 30 Aug 1940; SO 111, AG New Mex. 5 Sept 1940).</p> <p>AG 325 (9-3-40) M-M, 4 Sep 1940.</p> <p>AG 320.2 (2-8-42) MR-M-C, 11 Feb 1942.</p> <p>AGF 321 (R) (8 Oct 45) GNGCT , 8 Oct 1945; GO 378, 45th Inf Div, Cp Bowie, Tex.</p> <p>NGB Recog Repts; Ltr WDSS, C/NGB, 11 June 1946.</p> <p>AGAO-I 322 (1 Aug 50) G3-M, 2 Aug 1950; MC-OUT 35921, 2 Aug 1950; GO 137, Fourth Army, 5 Aug 1950 as amended by GO 141, Fourth Army, 5 Aug 1950.</p>	
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OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF LINEAGE AND BATTLE HONORS		STATUS
		Active
DESIGNATION	158th FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION (Cont'd)	COMPONENT NG (Okla.) (45th Inf Div)
LINEAGE		AUTHORITIES
<p>CAMPAIGN STREAMERS:</p> <p><u>World War II</u></p> <p>Sicily (with arrowhead)</p> <p>Naples-Foggia (with arrowhead)</p> <p>Anzio</p> <p>Rome-Arno</p> <p>Southern France (with arrowhead)</p> <p>Rhineland</p> <p>Ardennes-Alsace</p> <p>Central Europe</p> <p><u>Korean Operations</u></p> <p>Second Korean Winter</p> <p>Korea summer-fall 1952</p> <p>Third Korean Winter</p> <p>Korea summer-fall 1953</p> <p>Batteries A (Duncan) and C (Weatherford) entitled to silver bands inscribed Northern France.</p> <p>DECORATIONS</p> <p>Streamer in the colors of the French Croix de Guerre with Palm embroidered ACQUAFONDATA.</p> <p>Headquarters Battery (Chickasha) entitled to Distinguished Unit Streamer embroidered SALAERNO, 1943.</p> <p>158th Field Artillery Battalion (NGUS)</p> <p>Organized and Federally recognized 3 November 1953 as 158th Field Artillery Battalion (NGUS) with Headquarters at Chickasha .</p> <p>Under provisions of Public Law 461, 82d Congress, this unit is entitled to active military service. It will be integrated with the retained unit upon its</p>		<p>GO 91, WD, 1945; GO 70, WD, 1945.</p> <p>GO 96, WD, 1945; GO 37, D/A, 1950.</p> <p>GO 37, D/A, 1950.</p> <p>GO 99, WD, 1945.</p> <p>GO 87, WD, 1945; GO 70, WD, 1945.</p> <p>GO 118, WD, 1945.</p> <p>GO 63, D/A, 1948.</p> <p>GO 116, WD, 1945.</p> <p>GO 42, GHQ FEC, 19 Feb 1952.</p> <p>GO 103, WD 1945.</p> <p>French Decision #843, 21 June 1945;</p> <p>GO 43, D/A, 1950.</p> <p>GO 113, WD 1946.</p> <p>NG-AROTO 325.4- Okla (7 Aug 52) 13 Aug 1952; NG-AROTO 325.4- Okla, 21 Nov 1952; NGB Recog Repts.</p> <p>the history and traditions of its counterpart presently retained on return from active military service to State control.</p>
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
**Lineage and Honors**  
**158TH FIELD ARTILLERY REGIMENT**

Constituted 26 February 1920 in the Oklahoma National Guard as the 158th Field Artillery.

Organized 1921-1923 from new and existing units (less Battery A, allotted to the New Mexico National Guard and Battery E, allotted to the Arizona National Guard); Headquarters Federally recognized 15 May 1923 at Anadarko.

Inducted into Federal service 16 September 1940 at home stations.

Regiment broken up 11 February 1942 and its elements reorganized and redesignated as follows:

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery disbanded.

1st Battalion as the 158th Field Artillery Battalion and assigned to the 45th Infantry Division, (2nd Battalion as the 207th Field Artillery Battalion- hereafter separate lineage).

158th Field Artillery Battalion inactivated 24 November 1945 at Camp Bowie, Texas.

Consolidated 27 September 1946 with Headquarters, 158th Field Artillery (reconstituted 25 August 1945 in the Oklahoma National Guard), reorganized, and Federally recognized as the 158th Field Artillery Battalion with Headquarters at Chickasha.

Ordered into active Federal service 1 September 1950 at home stations.

(158th Field Artillery Battalion [NGUS] organized and Federally recognized 3 November 1952 with Headquarters at Chickasha).

Released 30 April 1954 from active Federal service and reverted to state control; Federal recognition concurrently withdrawn from the 158th Field Artillery Battalion (NGUS).

Reorganized and redesignated 1 May 1959 as the 158th Artillery, a parent regiment under the Combat Arms Regimental System, to consist of the 1st and 2nd Howitzer Battalions, elements of the 45th Infantry Division.

Reorganized 1 April 1963 to consist of the 1st Battalion, an element of the 45th Infantry Division.

Reorganized 1 February 1968 to consist of the 1st Battalion.

Reorganized 1 December 1971 to consist of the 1st Field Artillery Battalion.

Redesignated 1 May 1972 as the 158th Field Artillery.

Reorganized 1 May 1975 to consist of the 1st and 2nd Battalions.

Reorganized 1 April 1977 to consist of the 1st Battalion.

Withdrawn 1 June 1989 from the Combat Arms Regimental System and reorganized under the United States Army Regimental System.

1st Battalion ordered into active Federal service 21 November 1990 at home stations; released 23 May 1991 from active Federal service and reverted to state control.

1st Battalion ordered into active Federal service 15 March 2003 at home stations; released from active Federal service 27 May 2003 and reverted to state control.

Redesignated 1 October 2005 as the 158th Field Artillery Regiment.

1st Battalion, ordered into active Federal service 19 August 2008 at home stations.

Reorganized 1 September 2008 to consist of the 1st Battalion, an element of the 45th Infantry Brigade Combat Team.

1st Battalion released from active Federal service 22 September 2009 and reverted to state control.

#### CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

##### **World War II**

SICILY (with arrowhead)  
NAPLES-FOGGIA (with arrowhead)  
ANZIO  
ROME-ARNO  
SOUTHERN FRANCE (with arrowhead)  
RHINELAND  
ARDENNES-ALSACE  
CENTRAL EUROPE

Battery B (Lawton), 1st Battalion, additionally entitled to: NORTHERN FRANCE

##### **Korean War**

SECOND KOREAN WINTER  
KOREA, SUMMERR-FALL 1952  
THIRD KOREAN WINTER  
KOREA, SUMMER 1953

**Southwest Asia**

LIBERATION AND DEFENSE OF KUWAIT  
CEASE-FIRE

**War on Terrorism**

Iraq :  
IRAQI SURGE  
IRAQI SOVEREIGNTY

**DECORATIONS**

French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War II, Streamer embroidered ACQUAFONDATA.

Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered KOREA 1951-1953.

Battery C (Lawton), 1st Battalion, additionally entitled to: Presidential Unit Citation (Army),  
Streamer embroidered SALERNO.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

ROBERT J. DALESSANDRO  
Director, Center Military History

12 May 2014

## CAMPAIGN BATTLE STREAMERS

Campaign streamers are decorations attached to military flags to recognize particular achievements or events of a military unit or service. Attached to the headpiece of the assigned flag, the streamer often is an inscribed ribbon with the name and date denoting participation in a particular battle, military campaign, or theater of war; the ribbon's colors are chosen accordingly and frequently match an associated campaign medal or ribbon bar. They often are physical manifestations of battle honors, though this does not mean all streamers are battle honors.

### World War II



**European-African-Middle Eastern Theater Embroidered SICILY (with Arrowhead):** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 91 dated 22 October 1945: GENERAL ORDERS 91, War Department, Washington 25, D. C., 22 October 1945. Units Entitled to Battle Credits. Sicily. 1. Announcement is made of units awarded battle participation credit under the provisions of paragraph 21b (2), AR 260-10, 25 October 1944, in the Sicilian campaign. a. Combat zone: Sicily and adjacent waters. b. Time limitation: 14 May 1943 (air), 9 July 1943 (ground) to 17 August 1943. 2. When entering individual credit on officer's qualification cards (WD AGO Forms 66-1 and 66-2) or in the service record of enlisted personnel (WD AGO Form 24), this general orders may be cited as authority for such entries for personnel who were present for duty as member of or attached to a unit listed at some time during the limiting dates of the campaign. Sicily . . . . . 158th Field Artillery Battalion (Motorized) (105-mm Howitzer, Truck Drawn), 45th Division Artillery, 45th Infantry Division . . . . . [AG 200.6 (5 Oct 45)] By Order of the Secretary of War: G. C. Marshall, Chief of Staff. Official: Edward F. Witsell, Major General, Acting The Adjutant General.



**European-African-Middle Eastern Theater Embroidered NAPLES-FOGGIA (with Arrowhead):** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 96 dated 31 October 1945: GENERAL ORDERS 96, War Department, Washington 25, D. C., 31 October 1945. Units Entitled to Battle Credits. Naples-Foggia. 1. Announcement is made of units awarded battle participation credit under the provisions of paragraph 21b (2), AR 260-10, 25 October 1944, in the Naples-Foggia campaign. a. Combat zone: Italy (exclusive of Sicily and Sardinia), Corsica, and adjacent waters. b. Time limitation: 18 August 1943 (air), 9 September 1943 (ground) to 21 January 1944. 2. When entering individual credit on officer's qualification cards (WD AGO Forms 66-1 and 66-2) or in the service record of enlisted personnel (WD AGO Form 24), this general orders may be cited as authority for such entries for personnel who were present for duty as member of or attached to a unit listed at some time during the limiting dates of the campaign. Naples-Foggia . . . . . 158th Field Artillery Battalion (Motorized) (105-mm Howitzer, Truck Drawn), 45th Division Artillery, 45th Infantry Division . . . . . AGO 2336B 667418-45-2 By Order of the Secretary of War: G. C. Marshall, Chief of Staff. Official: Edward F. Witsell, Major General, Acting The Adjutant General.



**European-African-Middle Eastern Theater Embroidered ANZIO:** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 6 dated 1 March 1950: GENERAL ORDERS 6, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C., 1 March 1950. Section: Units Entitled to Battle Credits-Units awarded battle participation credit Anzio campaign. Section I. Units Entitled to Battle Credits-General orders amended.

Section II. Units Credited with Assault Landings-General orders amended. Section III. I Units Entitled to Battle Credits. 1. Announcement is made of Army units awarded battle participation credit, under the provisions of paragraph 23, AR 260-15, in the Anzio campaign. a. Combat zone: Mussolini Canal-Sessano, Cisterna, Campoleone, Carroceto, Moletta River, and adjacent waters. b. Time limitation: 22 January to 24 May 1944. 2. When entering individual credit on WD AGO Form 66 (Officer's, Warrant Officer's and Flight Officer's Qualification Record), or in the service record of enlisted personnel, WD AGO Form 24A (Service Record), these general orders may be cited as authority for such entries for personnel who were present for duty as member of or attached to a unit listed at some time during the limiting dates of the Anzio campaign. Anzio . . . . . 158th Field Artillery Battalion (45th Infantry Division) . . . . . III Units Credited with Assault Landings . . . . . 3. Naples-Foggia. Paragraph 6, section II, WD General Orders, 70, 1945, as amended by section VI, WD General Orders 86, 1945, and paragraph 5, section III, WD General Orders 116, 1946, pertaining to the Salerno assault landings, is further amended as follows: Delete: 158th Infantry Regiment. Add: 158th Field Artillery Battalion. . . . . [AG 200.6 (25 Jan 50)] By Order of the Secretary of Army: J. Lawton Collin, Chief of Staff. United States Army Official: Edward F. Witsell, Major General, USA, The Adjutant General.

**European-African-Middle Eastern Theater Embroidered ROME-ARNO:** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 99 dated 6 November 1945: GENERAL ORDERS 99, War Department, Washington 25, D. C., 6 November 1945. Units Entitled to Battle Credits. Rome-Arno. 1. Announcement is made of units awarded battle participation credit under the provisions of paragraph 21b (2), AR 260-10, 25 October 1944, in the Rome-Arno campaign. a. Combat zone: Italy (exclusive of Sicily and Sardinia), Corsica, and adjacent waters to include 15 August 1944; thereafter that portion of the Italian mainland and its adjacent waters north of 42 degree north latitude. b. Time limitation: 22 January to 9 September 1944. 2. When entering individual credit on officer's qualification cards (WD AGO Forms 66-1 and 66-2) or in the service record of enlisted personnel (WD AGO Form 24), this general orders may be cited as authority for such entries for personnel who were present for duty as member of or attached to a unit listed at some time during the limiting dates of the campaign. Rome-Arno . . . . . 158th Field Artillery Battalion . . . . . [AG 200.6 (5 Oct 45)] By Order of the Secretary of War: G. C. Marshall, Chief of Staff. Official: Edward F. Witsell, Major General, Acting The Adjutant General.

**European-African-Middle Eastern Theater Embroidered SOUTHERN FRANCE (with Arrowhead):** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 87 dated 16 October 1945: GENERAL ORDERS 87, War Department, Washington 25, D. C., 16 October 1945. Units Entitled to Battle Credits. Southern France. 1. Announcement is made of units awarded battle participation credit under the provisions of paragraph 21b (2), AR 260-10, 25 October 1944, in the Southern France campaign. a. Combat zone: Those portions of France (exclusive of Corsica) occupied by forces assigned to the North African Theater of Operations and adjacent waters. b. Time limitation: 15 August to 14 September 1944. 2. When entering individual credit on officer's qualification cards (WD AGO Forms 66-1 and 66-2) or in the service record of enlisted personnel (WD AGO Form 24), this general orders may be cited as authority for such entries for personnel who were present for duty as member of or attached to a unit listed at some time during the limiting dates of the campaign. Southern France . . . . . 158th Field Artillery Battalion (Motorized) (105-mm Howitzer, Truck Drawn), 45th Division Artillery, 45th Infantry Division . . . . . [AG 200.6 (5 Oct 45)] By Order of the Secretary of War: G. C. Marshall, Chief of Staff. Official: Edward F. Witsell, Major General, Acting The Adjutant General.



# RHINELAND

**European-African-Middle Eastern Theater Embroidered RHINELAND:** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 118 dated 12 December 1945: GENERAL ORDERS 118, War Department, Washington 25, D. C., 12 December 1945. Units Entitled to Battle Credits. Rhineland. (Name of campaign changed from Germany to Rhineland) 1. Announcement is made of units awarded battle participation credit under the provisions of paragraph 21b (2), AR 260-10, 25 October 1944, in the Rhineland campaign. (Name of campaign changed from Germany to Rhineland) a. Combat zone: Those portions of France, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg, and Germany east of the line: Franco-Belgian frontier to 4 degrees east longitude, thence south along that meridian to 47 degrees latitude, thence east along that parallel to 5 degrees east longitude, thence south along that meridian to the Mediterranean coast. b. Time limitation: 15 September 1944 to 21 March 1945. 2. When entering individual credit on officer's qualification cards (WD AGO Forms 66-1 and 66-2) or in the service record of enlisted personnel (WD AGO Form 24), this general orders may be cited as authority for such entries for personnel who were present for duty as member of or attached to a unit listed at some time during the limiting dates of the Rhineland campaign. Rhineland . . . . . 45th Infantry Division . . . . . [AG 200.6 (30 Nov 45)] By Order of the Secretary of War: Dwight D. Eisenhower, Chief of Staff. Official: Edward F. Witsell, Major General, Acting The Adjutant General.

# ARDENNES - ALSACE

**European-African-Middle Eastern Theater Embroidered ARDENNES-ALSACE:** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 63 dated 20 September 1948: GENERAL ORDERS 63, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C., 20 September 1948. Units Entitled to Battle Credits. Ardennes-Alsace. 1. Announcement is made of units awarded battle participation credit under the provisions of paragraph 23, AR 260-15, in the Ardennes-Alsace campaign.\* a. Combat zone: Euskirchen, Eupen (inclusive), Liege (exclusive), east bank of the Meuse River to its intersection with the Franco-Belgian border, thence south and east along this border to the western border of Luxembourg, thence to Metz (inclusive), east bank of the Moselle River to Epinal (inclusive), Strasbourg (inclusive). b. Time limitation: 16 December 1944 to 25 January 1945. Note. Battle participation credit for the Rhineland campaign will not be accorded during this period for operations in the area defined above. 2. When entering individual credit on WD AGO Form 66 (Officer's, Warrant Officer's and Flight Officer's Qualification Record), or on WD AGO Forms 24 or 24A (Service Record), these general orders may be cited as authority for such entries for personnel who were present for duty as member of or attached to a unit listed at some time during the limiting dates of the Ardennes-Alsace campaign. Ardennes-Alsace . . . . . 158th Field Artillery Battalion . . . . . 3. So much of General Orders 114, War Department, 1945, as amended by section IV, General Orders 29, Department of the Army, 1948, as pertains to the Army units listed therein, is rescinded. [AG 200.6 (8 Jan 47)] By Order of the Secretary of Army: Omar N. Bradley, Chief of Staff. United States Army Official: Edward F. Witsell, Major General, The Adjutant General.

# CENTRAL EUROPE

**European-African-Middle Eastern Theater Embroidered CENTRAL EUROPE:** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 116 dated 11 December 1945: GENERAL ORDERS 116, War Department, Washington 25, D. C., 11 December 1945. Units Entitled to Battle Credits. Central Europe. 1. Announcement is made of units awarded battle participation credit under the provisions of paragraph 21b (2), AR 260-10, 25 October 1944, in the Central Europe campaign. a. Combat zone: The areas occupied by troops assigned to the European Theater of Operations, United States Army, which lie beyond a line 10

miles west of the Rhine River between Switzerland and the Waal River until 28 March 1945 (inclusive), and thereafter beyond the east bank of the Rhine. b. Time limitation: 22 March to 11 May 1945. 2. When entering individual credit on officer's qualification cards (WD AGO Forms 66-1 and 66-2) or in the service record of enlisted personnel (WD AGO Form 24), this general orders may be cited as authority for such entries for personnel who were present for duty as member of or attached to a unit listed at some time during the limiting dates of the Central Europe campaign. Central Europe . . . . . 45th Infantry Division . . . . . [AG 200.6 (30 Nov 45)] By Order of the Secretary of War: Dwight D. Eisenhower, Chief of Staff. Official: Edward F. Witsell, Major General, Acting The Adjutant General.

Korean War

**SECOND KOREAN WINTER**

**KOREA SUMMER FALL 1952**

**THIRD KOREAN WINTER**

**KOREAN SUMMER 1953**

**Korean War Embroidered SECOND KOREAN WINTER; Korean War Embroidered KOREA SUMMER-FALL 1952; Korean War Embroidered THIRD KOREAN WINTER; and Korean War Embroidered KOREAN SUMMER 1953:** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 80 dated 22 November 1954: GENERAL ORDERS 80, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C., 22 November 1954. Section: Section I. Units Entitled to Battle Credits. I. Section II. Units Credited with Assault Landings. II. I. Units Entitled to Battle Credits. Army units awarded battle participation credit-Korea. 1. Announcement is made of units awarded battle participation credit under the provisions of paragraph 24, AR 220-315 for the following campaigns in Korea. a. UN defensive. (1) Combat zone - Territorial limits of Korea and adjacent waters. (2) Time limitation - 27 June to 15 September 1950, inclusive. b. UN offensive. (1) Combat zone - Territorial limits of Korea and adjacent waters. (2) Time limitation - 16 September to 2 November 1950, inclusive. c. CCF intervention. (1) Combat zone - Territorial limits of Korea and adjacent waters. (2) Time limitation - 3 November 1950 to 24 January 1951, inclusive. d. First UN counteroffensive (1) Combat zone - Territorial limits of Korea and adjacent waters. (2) Time limitation - 25 January to 21 April 1951, inclusive. e. CCF spring offensive. (1) Combat zone - Territorial limits of Korea and adjacent waters. (2) Time limitation - 22 April to 8 July 1951, inclusive. f. UN summer-fall offensive. (1) Combat zone - Territorial limits of Korea and adjacent waters. (2) Time limitation - 9 July to 27 November 1951, inclusive. g. Second Korean winter. (1) Combat zone - Territorial limits of Korea and adjacent waters. (2) Time limitation - 28 November 1951 to 30 April 1952, inclusive. h. Korea summer-fall 1952 (1) Combat zone - Territorial limits of Korea and adjacent waters. (2) Time limitation - 1 May to 30 November 1952, inclusive. i. Third Korean winter. (1) Combat zone - Territorial limits of Korea and adjacent waters. (2) Time limitation - 1 December 1952 to 30 April 1953, inclusive. j. Korea summer-fall 1953. (1) Combat zone - Territorial limits of Korea and adjacent waters. (2) Time limitation - 1 May to 27 July 1953, inclusive. . . . . Second Korean Winter 17 December 1951 - 30 April 1952. Korea summer-fall 1952 1 May - 30 November 1952. Third Korean winter 1 December 1952 - 30 April 1953. Korea summer-fall 1953 1 May - 27 July 1953. . . . . Organization: 158th Field Artillery Battalion (45th Inf Div). . . . . 2. When entering individual credit on Officer Qualification Record (DA Form 66) or in the service record of enlisted personnel (DD Form 230) this general order may be cited as authority for such entries for personnel who were present for duty as a member of or attached to a unit listing, at some time during the period specified for each campaign. . . . . By Order of the Secretary of Army: M. B. Ridgway, General, United States Army, Chief of Staff.

Official: John A. Klein, Major General, United States Army, The Adjutant General. Distribution: According to requirements submitted on DA Form 12. AGO 2214B.

**Persian Gulf War**

**LIBERATION DEFENSE of KUWAIT**

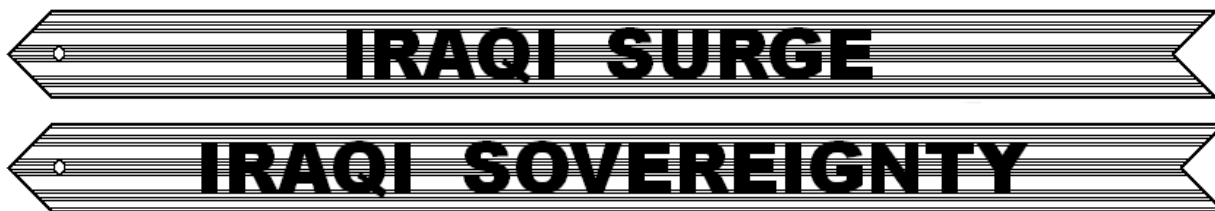
**Southwest Asia Embroidered LIBERATION DEFENSE of KUWAIT:** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 7 dated 2 April 1993: GENERAL ORDERS 7, Headquarters, Department of the Army, Washington, D. C., 2 April 1993. Section: Legion of Merit. Section I. Defense of Saudi Arabia Campaign Participation. Section II. Liberation and Defense of Kuwait Campaign Participation Credit. III. Belgian Croix de Guerre-Amendment. IV. I. Legion of Merit. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 1060, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (Degree of Commander) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to: Lieutenant General James C. Gervais, Canadian Land Forces Command, July 1991 to December 1992. II. Defense of Saudi Arabia Campaign Participation Credit. Announcement is made confirming campaign participation credits for operations involving the Defense of Saudi Arabia under the provisions of paragraph 9-4, AR 672-5-1. When entering individual credit on Personnel Qualification Records (DA Form 2-1), this general order may be cited as authority for such entries for personnel who were present for duty as a member of or attached to a unit listed at some time during the limiting dates. 1. Combat zone. Southwest Asia. 2. Time limitation. 2 August 1990 through 16 January 1991. . . . . III. Liberation and Defense of Kuwait Campaign Participation Credit. Announcement is made confirming campaign participation credits for operations involving the Liberation and Defense of Kuwait under the provisions of paragraph 9-4, AR 672-5-1. When entering individual credit on Personnel Qualification Records (DA Form 2-1), this general order may be cited as authority for such entries for personnel who were present for duty as a member of or attached to a unit listed at some time during the limiting dates. 1. Combat zone. Southeast Asia. 2. Time limitation. 17 January through 11 April 1991. . . . . 158th Field Artillery, 1st Battalion. . . . . IV. Belgian Croix de Guerre. So much of paragraph 3, DAGO 27, dated 1959, Department of the Army, as pertains to the Citation in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army and the award of the Belgian Croix de Guerre (1940) to 9th Armored Division, Company C, 8th Armored Engineer Battalion, is amended to read "Company C, 9th Armored Engineer Battalion". [TAPC-PDA], By Order of the Secretary of Army: Carl E. Vuono, General, United States Army, Chief of Staff. Official: Milton H. Hamilton, Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army. Distribution: Active Army, ARNG, USAR: To be distributed in accordance with DA Form 12-04-E (block 0037) requirements for Department of the Army General Orders.

**CEASE - FIRE**

**Southwest Asia Embroidered CEASE-FIRE:** The following is an official excerpt from PERSCOM Permanent Orders No.157-03 dated 6 June 2003: PERMANENT ORDERS 157-03, Department of the Army, U. S. Total Army Personnel Command. 200 Stovall Street, Alexandria, VA 22332-0471. 1. This Permanent Order announces campaign participation credit for the following units that participated in the third campaign of the Persian Gulf War, Southwest Asia Cease-Fire. Award: Campaign Participation Credit. Dates(s) or period of service: 12 April 1991 to 30 November 1995. Authority: AR 600-8-22, Paragraph 7-18. Reason: For participation in third campaign of the Persian Gulf War, Southwest Asia Cease-Fire. Format: 320. 2. This Permanent Order may be cited as authority for updating individual personnel records. 3. This announcement will be confirmed in Department of the Army General Orders. By Order of the Secretary of Army: Signed: Robert L. White, Jr. LTC, AG, Chief, Military Awards Branch. Distribution: U.S. Army Center of Military History (1). HQDA, Institute of Heraldry (1). U. S. Army Support Activity, Philadelphia (1). HQ, PERSCOM (TAPC-PDO-PA) (1). See Attached List of Units: . . . . . . . . . 158th Field Artillery, 1st Battalion. . . . .End of Orders. The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 9 dated 18 November 2005: GENERAL ORDERS 9, Headquarters, Department of the

Army, Washington, D. C., 18 November 2005. Individual and Unit Awards. Section: Distinguished Service Cross. I. Legion of Merit. II. Meritorious Service Medal. III. Presidential Unit Citation. IV. Valorous Unit Award. V. Joint Meritorious Unit Award. VI. Meritorious Unit Commendation. VII. Army Superior Unit Award. VIII. Southwest Asia Cease-Fire Campaign Participation Credit. IX. Distinguished Service Cross - Revoke. X. Distinguished Service Cross – Rescind. XI. Legion of Merit (Degree of Officer) – Rescind. XII. Silver Star – Revoke. XIII. Distinguished Unit Citation – Amendment. XIV. Army Superior Unit Award – Amendment. XV. Units Credited with Assault Landings – Revoke. XVI. Units Credited with Assault Landings – Amendment. XVII. Defense of Saudi Arabia Campaign Participation Credit – Amendment. XVIII. . . . . IX. Southwest Asia Cease-Fire Campaign Participation Credit. Announcement is made confirming campaign participation credits for operations involving the Southwest Asia Cease-Fire under the provisions of paragraph 7-18, AR 600-8-22. When entering individual credit on Personnel Qualification Records, this general order may be cited as authority for such entries for personnel who were present for duty as a member of or attached to a unit listed at some time during the limited dates. 1. Combat zone: Southwest Asia. 2. Time limitation: 12 April 1991 through 30 November 1995. . . . . 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery. . . . . [AHRC-PDO-PA]. By Order of the Secretary of Army: Peter J. Schoomaker, General, United States Army, Chief of Staff. Official: Signed: Sandra R. Riley, Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army. Distribution: This publication is available in electronic media only and is intended for the Active Army, the Army National Guard/Army National Guard of the United States, and the U. S. Army Reserve.

**Global War On Terrorism**



The following is an official excerpt from Executive Order 13363 dated 29 November 2004: Executive Order 13363 establishing the Afghanistan and Iraq Campaign Medals. By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including my authority as Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces of the United States and Public Law 108-234, it is hereby ordered as follows: Section 1. Afghanistan Campaign Medal. There is hereby established the Afghanistan Campaign Medal with suitable appurtenances. Except as limited in section 3 of this order, and under uniform regulations to be prescribed by the Secretaries of the military departments and approved by the Secretary of Defense, or under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of Homeland Security with respect to the Coast Guard when it is not operating as a service in the Navy, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal shall be awarded to members of the uniformed services of the United States who serve or have served in Afghanistan or contiguous air space, as defined by such regulations, on or after October 24, 2001, and before a terminal date to be prescribed by the Secretary of Defense. Sec. 2. Iraq Campaign Medal. There is hereby established the Iraq Campaign Medal with suitable appurtenances. Except as limited in section 3 of this order, and under uniform regulations to be prescribed by the Secretaries of the military departments and approved by the Secretary of Defense, or under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of Homeland Security with respect to the Coast Guard when it is not operating as a service in the Navy, the Iraq Campaign Medal shall be awarded to members of the uniformed services of the United States who serve or have served in Iraq or contiguous waters or air space, as defined by such regulations, on or after March 19, 2003, and before a terminal date to be prescribed by the Secretary of Defense. Sec. 3. Relationship to Other Awards. Notwithstanding section 1 of Executive Order 13289 of March 12, 2003, establishing the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, any member who qualified for that medal by reason of service in Afghanistan between October 24, 2001, and a terminal date to be determined by the Secretary of Defense, or in Iraq between March 19, 2003, and a terminal date to be determined by the Secretary of Defense, shall remain qualified for that medal. Upon application, a member by reason of service may be awarded either the Afghanistan Campaign Medal or the Iraq Campaign Medal in lieu of the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal. A member may be awarded either the Afghanistan Campaign Medal or the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal by

reason of service in Afghanistan. A member may be awarded either the Iraq Campaign Medal or the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal by reason of service in Iraq. No member shall be entitled to the award of more than one of these three medals for the same period of service. Sec. 4. Posthumous Award. The Afghanistan Campaign Medal and Iraq Campaign Medal may be awarded posthumously to any person covered by and under regulations prescribed in accordance with this order. Signed: George W. Bush, November 29, 2004.

Additional Phases were identified for Iraq Campaign Medals and announced that additional campaign stars are authorized for wear on the Iraq Campaign Medal (ICM). The campaign stars recognize a service member's participation in DOD designated campaigns in Iraq. Service members who have qualified for the ICM may display a bronze campaign star on their medal for each designated campaign phase in which they participated. The stars will be worn on the suspension and campaign ribbon of the campaign medal. The additional campaign phase and associated dates established for the ICM is: New Dawn - Sept. 1, 2010 through a date to be determined, Liberation of Iraq - March 19, 2003 to May 1, 2003, Transition of Iraq - May 2, 2003 to June 28, 2004, Iraqi Governance - June 29, 2004 to Dec. 15, 2005, National Resolution - Dec. 16, 2005 to Jan. 9, 2007, Iraqi Surge - Jan. 10, 2007 to Dec. 31, 2008, and Iraqi Sovereignty - Jan. 1, 2009 to August 31, 2010.

**Operation Iraqi Freedom Embroidered IRAQI SURGE and Operation Iraqi Freedom Embroidered IRAQI SOVEREIGNTY:** Army General Orders has not been published as of date for this campaign streamer. The authority is that the unit itself was assigned and deployed to the respective combat zone during the limiting dates of the campaign phases.

## HONORS

Unit award streamers are placed on the organizational colors to indicate the unit has been awarded a unit decoration. Both foreign and U.S. unit decorations are reflected through the use of unit award streamers. In addition to the regular size unit award streamers for display by units on the organizational colors, unit award streamers (1 3/8 inches wide and 2 feet long) are displayed by separate batteries authorized a guidon. The inscription and device, if required, will be as indicated on the unit's lineage and honors. The following unit award streamers are displayed on the streamers of the 158th Field Artillery organizational colors as specified in the lineage and honors. The French Croix de Guerre. The streamer is red with 4 narrow green stripes grouped to the center of the streamer. The inscription embroidered "ACQUAFONDATA" is yellow and the star or palm embroidered in the specified color. The Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation. The streamer has a green stripe on each edge and wide white stripe in the center. On each side of the white stripe are narrow stripes of green, white, red, white, red, and white. The inscription is embroidered in dark blue. A "taeguk" in color is embroidered 5 inches from the hoist. Battery "C", (Lawton), 1st Battalion is additionally entitled to the Army Presidential Unit Citation. A blue streamer with the name of the action "SALERNO" embroidered in white. The streamer represents a degree of heroism required that would warrant award of the Distinguished Service Cross to an individual. HHS Detachment is entitled to the Army Superior Unit Streamer. The streamer is red with a green center stripe with a narrow yellow stripe on each side of the green. The inscription "1 SEPTEMBER 2005 – 3 OCTOBER 2005" is embroidered in white. HHS Detachment is entitled to the Army Meritorious Unit Commendation Streamer. The streamer is red and has the inscription "7 JANUARY 2006 – 14 SEPTEMBER 2006" embroidered in white letters. The degree of achievement required is the same as that which would warrant a Legion of Merit to an individual. The 158th Field Artillery is entitled to the Navy Unit Commendation Streamer for use by Army organizations. The streamer consists of the following stripes: blue, yellow, red, green (center), red, yellow, blue. The inscription "9 FEBRUARY 2009 – 15 AUGUST 2009" is embroidered in white. Battery "A", 1st Battalion 158th Field Artillery is entitled to the Army Meritorious Unit Commendation Streamer. The streamer is red and has the inscription "17 OCTOBER – 18 JUNE 2014" embroidered in white letters. The degree of achievement required is the same as that which would warrant a Legion of Merit to an individual. Battery "C", 1st Battalion 158th Field Artillery was awarded Alexander Hamilton Award. The streamer is red and has the inscription "ALEXANDER HAMILTON AWARD 2007" embroidered in white letters.

The following devices are embroidered on the streamers of the 158th Field Artillery organizational colors as specified in the lineage and honors. The Arrowhead Device; is a bronze embroidered arrowhead and is

placed 3/4 inch before the inscription on the streamer to indicate the unit participated in an amphibious landing on enemy territory. The unit's lineage and honors will indicate "with arrowhead" if applicable. The palm is used on some foreign unit awards (French Croix de Guerre) to indicate the level of the military command which cited the unit for the award. The palm indicates the award was made by the Armed Forces headquarters of the foreign government. The embroidered bronze palm outlined in green and with green berries is centered between the hoist end of the streamer and the first letter of the inscription. The "taeguk" is 2 inches in diameter and is embroidered on the Republic of Korea Presidential Unit streamer, five inches from the hoist end of the streamer.



**French Croix de Guerre with Palm Embroidered ACQUAFONDATA:** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 24 dated 10 December 1947: GENERAL ORDERS 24, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C., 10 December 1947. Section: General. Section I. List of Units and Citations. Section II. I. General. 1. The following list of units of the United States Army to which decorations have been awarded by cobelligerent foreign governments during World War II, together with the citations therefor, is confirmed, in accordance with paragraph 2, AR 260-15. 2. Individual wear of the French and Belgium Fourrageres and the Netherlands Orange Lanyard will be in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 18, AR 260-15. II. List of Units and Citations. 3. Divisions. . . . . 45th Infantry Division. French Croix de Guerre with Palm, awarded under Decision No. 843, 21 June 1945, by the President of the Provisional Government of the French Republic, with the following citation: A magnificent formation whose fighting spirit and cooperation were particularly admired by the units of the French Expeditionary Corps. After their entry into the line in Italy, this division, with certain of its infantry, played a glorious part in the victory of Acquafondata from 1 to 31 January 1944. . . . . 158th FA Bn (105-How). . . . . . [AG 200.6 (21 Nov 47)] By Order of the Secretary of Army: Dwight D. Eisenhower, Chief of Staff. United States Army Official: Edward F. Witsell, Major General, USA, The Adjutant General.

**General Orders No. 43 dated 19 December 1950:** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 43 dated 19 December 1950: GENERAL ORDERS 43, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C., 19 December 1950. Section: General. Section I. List of Units and Citations. Section II. Rescissions. III. I. General. 1. Confirmation. The following list of units of the United States Army to which decorations have been awarded by cobelligerent foreign governments during World War II, together with the citations therefor, is confirmed in accordance with current regulations. 2. Wearing of foreign decorations. The wearing of foreign decorations by individuals will be in accordance with AR 260-15 and the following: a. French and Belgian Fourrageres. Normally, two citations are required before a unit becomes eligible for the award of the Fourragere. The award of the Fourragere is not automatic, but must be specifically authorized by degree of the respective foreign government. A citation in orders or award of the Croix de Guerre to a unit does not authorize the wearing of the decoration by an individual. Likewise, non award of the Croix de Guerre to an individual will serve to constitute eligibility to wear the Fourragere. The Fourragere may be worn permanently by individuals who participated with the unit in both actions for which the unit was cited. The French Fourragere may be worn temporarily by individuals assigned to the unit subsequent to the time the award was made, but only so long as they remain with such unit. The Belgian Fourragere is not authorized to be worn temporarily. B. Netherlands Orange Lanyard. The Netherlands Orange Lanyard may be worn permanently by individuals who participated with the unit in the action for which it was cited and temporary wearing of the Lanyard is not authorized. II. List of Units and Citations. 3. Divisions. . . . . 45th Infantry Division. French Croix de Guerre with Palm, awarded under Decision No. 843, 21 June 1945, by the President of the Provisional Government of the French Republic, with the following citation: A magnificent formation whose fighting spirit and cooperation were particularly admired by the units of the French Expeditionary Corps. After their entry into the line in Italy, this division, with certain of its infantry, played a glorious part in the victory of Acquafondata from 1 to 31 January 1944. . . . . 158th FA Bn (105-How). . . . . III. Rescissions. DA General Orders 24, 1947; DA General Orders 23, 1948; section II, DA General Orders 47, 1948; section II, DA General Orders 44, 1949; and section IV, DA General Orders 48, 1949, are rescinded. [AG 200.62 (20 Nov 50)] By Order of the Secretary of Army: J. Lawton Collins, Chief of Staff. United States Army Official: Edward F. Witsell, Major General, USA, The Adjutant General.

**French Republic Croix de Guerre dated 21 June 1945:** FRANÇAIS Croix de Guerre avec PALM : Gouvernement Provisoire de la République Française or GPRF. Charles de Gaulle Chairman 1944-1946. 45E DIVISION D'INFANTERIE: FRANÇAIS Croix de Guerre avec PALM , accordée au titre de la décision n ° 843 , le 21 Juin 1945, par le Président du Gouvernement provisoire de la République française , avec la citation suivante: Une formation magnifique dont la combativité et la coopération étaient particulièrement admiré par les unités de Corps expéditionnaire français . après leur entrée dans la ligne en Italie , cette division , avec certains de ses infanterie, joué un partie glorieuse dans la victoire de Acquafondata du 1er au 31 Janvier 1944. HQ et HQ Co , 45e Div Inf, 45e Cav Rcn Troop ( Mecz ) , 120e Combat Génie Bn, 120e Bn médicale, 157e Régiment Inf, 179e Régiment Inf, 180e Régiment Inf, HQ et HQ BTRY , 45e Arty Inf Div, 158e FA Bn ( 105 - Comment ) , 160e FA Bn ( 105 - Comment ) , 171e FA Bn ( 105 - Comment ) , 189e FA Bn ( 155 - Comment ) , HQ et HQ Co , Troupes SP, 45e Div Inf, 45e QM Co, 45e Sig Co, and 700e Ord Lumière Maint C. (See Figure 1.)

## SALERNO

**Salerno Amphibious Assault Landing 9-10 September 1943:** The following is an official excerpt from Department of the Army General Orders No. 37 dated 30 October 1950: GENERAL ORDERS No. 37, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C., 30 October 1950. Section I. Units Entitled to Battle Credits-General orders amended. Section II. Units Credited with Assault Landings-General orders amended. . . . . II. Units Credited with Assault Landings.-2. Italy. Paragraphs 6 and 7, section II, WD General Orders 70, 1945, as amended by section VI, WD General Orders 86, 1945, and paragraphs 5 and 6, section III, WD General Orders 116, 1946, pertaining to the Italy assault landings, are rescinded and the following substituted therefor: 6. Salerno. a. Amphibious, 9 and 10 September 1943. . . . . 158th Field Artillery Battalion. . . . . [AG 200.6 (27 Sep 50)] By Order of the Secretary of Army: J. Lawton Collin, Chief of Staff. United States Army Official: Edward F. Witsell, Major General, USA, The Adjutant General.

**Headquarters Battery Awarded the Presidential Unit Citation Embroidered SALERNO:** On 10 September 1943 the 45th Division Artillery left Sicily began landing at the beaches of Paestum, Italy. On 13 September 1943, the Germans launched a strong counter-attack which broke through the over-extended infantry and advanced to the banks of the Sele-Calore Rivers. All available men of Headquarters Battery, 158th Field Artillery Battalion and the 189th Field Artillery Battalion were organized in a defensive line on the south bank of the Calore River. The actions of these units are captured in the following two excerpts.

The following is an official excerpt from Annual Report of the CHIEF NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU, Fiscal Year Ending 30 June 1947. National Guard Unit Citations. There is published herein as appendix I a new listing of distinguished unit citations to National Guard units in the Federal service in World War II which supersedes that published in appendix F of the previous annual report for the fiscal year ending 30 June 1946. This new list includes further additions and revisions not available at the time of publication of the previous report. Such awards to units are for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy the character of which is such as would merit an award of a Distinguished Service Cross to an individual. This unit citation is an award made primarily to small units, although a few citations for divisional units have been approved. Such citations up to, and including, battalions or air force groups were under authority of the army, air force, or theater commander prior to 22 November 1946; all larger units were cited by the War Department. The Distinguished Unit Badge is authorized for permanent wear by members of the organization who were present during the action for which the unit has been thus cited, and for temporary wear by other members of the organization while they are assigned to the unit. Subsequent awards are represented by Oak Leaf Clusters. No official list has been compiled in the War Department of Army units to which the Presidential Unit Citation (Navy) has been awarded. Thus the appendix J herein has been designated an "unofficial" list and is reflected from correspondence furnished by the Navy Department to the Decorations and Awards Branch, Office of The Adjutant General, by whom this information was compiled and furnished as a revision to that which was published by the National Guard Bureau from the then available data. It is probable that a final complete listing will be available for publication in next year's annual report, in order that full record will be available through this historical

medium. APPENDIX I. DISTINGUISHED UNIT CITATIONS TO NATIONAL GUARD UNITS IN FEDERAL SERVICE-WORLD WAR II. [Data compiled by the Decorations and Awards Branch, Office of the Adjutant General] . . . . . Unit: 189th Field Artillery Battalion. State National Guard: Oklahoma. Citation: GO 113, WD, 1 Oct. 1946.

The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 113 dated 1 October 1946: GENERAL ORDERS 113, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C., 1 October 1946. Section: MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT: Sangamon Ordnance Plant, Springfield, Illinois, discontinued. Section I. BATTLE HONORS. Section II. I. MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT. Effective as of 10 September 1946, the Sangamon Ordnance Plant (industrial facility), Springfield, Illinois, is discontinued as a military establishment. [AG 680.1 (20 Sep 46)]. II. BATTLE HONORS. As authorized by Executive Order 9396 (sec. I, WD Bul. 22, 1943), superseding Executive Order 9075 (sec. III, WD Bul. 11, 1942), citations of the following units in the general orders indicated are confirmed under the provisions of section IV, WD Circular 333, 1943, in the name of the President of the United States as public evidence of deserved honor and distinction. The citation read as follows: . . . . . 5. The 189th Field Artillery Battalion is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy on 13 September 1943 at Salerno, Italy. During the first bitter 4-day battle on 9-12 September 1943, for establishment of the Salerno beachhead, success of the venture had not as yet been assured. The most critical day of the entire operation came on 13 September 1943, when the enemy launched its heaviest counterattacks. Success was within the enemy's grasp when he annihilated infantry elements holding the vital Sele-Calore Rivers corridor. The 189th Field Artillery Battalion, in position near the junction of the two rivers, stood alone between the strong enemy force and the beaches. As the enemy moved to the attack, the 189th Field Artillery Battalion formed a defensive line manned by the antitank platoon, machine gunners, cooks, truck drivers, ammunition handlers, clerks, and spare cannoneers. The Germans reached the river line and attacked in force with rifles, machine guns, mortars, tank fire, and artillery, but the 189th Field Artillery Battalion held fast. From 1800 hours until dark (2200 hours), the enemy attacked continuously in an attempt to overrun the battalion's position, but by grim determination and indomitable fighting spirit, the battalion repulsed all enemy assaults. The howitzer crews delivered almost continuous fire, mostly by direct laying and at very close range. By 2230 hours, the enemy admitted defeat and withdrew. The individual courage, gallantry, and spirit de corps displayed by the officers and men of the 189th Field Artillery Battalion exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Successful accomplishment of an infantry role by the battalion prevented a disastrous and complete break-through and made possible the ultimate success of the Salerno Campaign. (General Orders 612, Headquarters Seventh Army, 16 October 1945.) By Order of the Secretary of War: Dwight D. Eisenhower, Chief of Staff. Official: Edward F. Witsell, Major General, USA, The Adjutant General.



**Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation Embroidered KOREA:** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 30 dated 26 April 1954: GENERAL ORDERS 30, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C., 26 April 1954. Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation. The Republic of Korea Presidential Unit citation which was awarded by the Republic of Korea to the following units of the United States Army is confirmed in accordance with AR 220-315: REPUBLIC OF KOREA PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION awarded by citation dated 30 September 1953, by Syngman Rhee, President of the Republic of Korea, for exceptionally meritorious service to the Republic of Korea during the period 10 December 1951 to 31 July 1953, inclusive, with citation as follows: The 45th United States Infantry Division continually exhibited extraordinary valor in combat and an unsurpassed excellence in the training and coordinating of Republic of Korea forces. In June 1952, the Division initiated a series of brilliant surprise attacks in order to establish a formidable outpost line beyond the existing main line of resistance and acquired many new positions, including the now famous hill masses of "Eerie" and "Baldy." The outposts were held securely in spite of the intense enemy counterattacks to recapture the strategic sites. Without yielding any of the newly acquired gains, the Division inflicted heavy losses upon the foe before it was replaced after over two hundred days of continuous combat. At this point, the men of the 45th United States Infantry Division undertook the important task of technically training Republic of Korea troops. Their efforts were rewarded by a display of brilliant combat effectiveness throughout the



Republic of Korea forces. The return to front line positions in September 1952 by the Thunderbird Division created a new chapter in the military accomplishments of both United States and Korean troops as the two fused and fought together with a rare display of unity. During the Communist summer offensive of 1953, the 45th United States Infantry Division once again exhibited its fighting spirit and singleness of purpose as it frustrated enemy attacks and preserved vital positions on “Sand Bag Castle,” “Heartbreak Ridge” and “Christmas Hill.” The steadfast devotion to duty, gallantry in battle and cooperative spirit with which Republic of Korea troops were made an integral part of a unified force reflect the greatest credit upon the 45th United States Infantry Division and uphold the most esteemed traditions of the military profession. The 45th Infantry Division and attached units: . . . . . 158th FA Bn (105-How). . . . . III. Rescissions. DA General Orders 24, 1947; DA General Orders 23, 1948; section II, DA General Orders 47, 1948; section II, DA General Orders 44, 1949; and section IV, DA General Orders 48, 1949, are rescinded. [AG 200.62 (12 Apr 54)] By Order of the Secretary of Army: M. B. Ridgway, General, United States Army, Chief of Staff. Official: John A. Klein, Major General, United States Army, Acting The Adjutant General. (See Figure 2.)

**1 SEPTEMBER 2005 – 3 OCTOBER 2005**

**HHS Detachment Awarded the Army Superior Unit Award Embroidered 1 SEPTEMBER 2005 – 3 OCTOBER 2005:** The following is an official excerpt from HRC Permanent Orders No. 196-02 dated 15 July 2011: PERMANENT ORDERS 196-02, Department of the Army, U. S. Army Human Resources Command, 1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122-5408. PERMANENT ORDERS 196-02. 15 July 2011. Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 171st Field Artillery Regiment, Battery “A”, 1st Battalion, 171st Field Artillery Regiment, Battery “B”, 1st Battalion, 171st Field Artillery Regiment, Battery “C”, 1st Battalion, 171st Field Artillery Regiment, 1345th Transportation Company, Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 45th Fires Brigade, and Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Regiment. Announcement is made of the following award: Award: Army Superior Unit Award. Period of service: 1 September 2005 to 3 October 2005. Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-16. Reason: For outstanding meritorious service. During the period 1 September 2005 to 3 October 2005, the Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 171st Field Artillery Regiment and its subordinate units assigned as Task Force Red Thunder displayed superior performance under extraordinary circumstances in response to the devastation brought by Hurricane Katrina in the wake of the worst natural disaster in United States history. Responding as the Follow-On-Force from the state of Oklahoma with 123 organic vehicles and 255 Soldiers, the unit successfully executed multiple primary missions in an effort to rescue displaced civilians and assist in restoring order in the city of New Orleans, Louisiana. Task Force Red Thunder Soldiers demonstrated superior professionalism, commitment, humanitarianism and compassion while conducting daily crowd control; ground and air evacuation, sites; and high water search, rescue and recovery operations. Every Soldier’ played a vital role in establishing the Forward Operating Base in the lower 9th Ward of Saint Bernard’s Parish while conducting traffic control check points and patrolling the streets in a combined’ effort to control looting and minimize chaos. Upholding the highest traditions of military service, the Soldiers of the Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 171st Field Artillery Regiment and its subordinate units used outstanding resourcefulness and aggressive actions under desperate conditions. Their actions reflect great credit upon themselves, their units, the State of Oklahoma and the United States of America. Format: 320. Additional Instructions: This order serves as official notification that a unit award has been approved for the organization (s) listed above and will serve as authority for eligible Soldiers to update their records and wear the award. The award is still subject to final confirmation in Department of the Army General Orders. Official verification of a specific unit’s entitlement to display the award in the form of an appropriate streamer on its flag or guidon rests with the U.S. Army Center of Military History (CMH), which is also responsible for determining official unit Lineage and Honors for MTOE organizations. CMH will use this permanent order to authorize the manufacture of an appropriate decoration streamer for any organization clearly entitled to display the award. The streamers will then be manufactured and sent to the U. S. Army Human Resources Command or automatic distribution to the units concerned. By Order of the Secretary of the Army: Signed: Roger D. Blackmon, CW2. For: Stewart L. Stephenson, Jr., LTC, AG, Chief, Awards and Decorations Branch.

• **7 JANUARY 2006 – 14 SEPTEMBER 2006**

**HHS Detachment Awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation Embroidered 7 JANUARY 2006 – 14 SEPTEMBER 2006:** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 2009-21 dated 10 December 2009: GENERAL ORDERS 2009-21, Headquarters, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C., 10 December 2009. Unit Awards. Section. Joint Meritorious Unit Award. I. Meritorious Unit Commendation. II. Army Superior Unit Award. III. . . . . II. Meritorious Unit Commendation. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15, the Meritorious Unit Commendation is awarded to the following units of the United States Army for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated: . . . . . Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Service, 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Regiment (7 January 2006 to 14 September 2006). . . . . [AHRC-PDP-A]. By Order of the Secretary of the Army: George W. Casey, Jr. General, United States Army, Chief of Staff. Official: Signed: Joyce E. Morrow, Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army. Distribution: This publication is available in electronic media only and is intended for the Active Army, the Army National Guard/Army National Guard of the United States, and the U.S. Army Reserve.

The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 2009-16 dated 16 December 2009: GENERAL ORDERS 2009-16, Headquarters, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C., 16 December 2009. Units Awards. Section. Joint Meritorious Unit Award. I. Meritorious Unit Commendation. II. Army Superior Unit Award. III. . . . . II. Meritorious Unit Commendation. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15, the Meritorious Unit Commendation is awarded to the following units of the United States Army for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated: . . . . . Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Service, 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Regiment (7 January 2006 to 14 September 2006). . . . . [AHRC-PDP-A]. By Order of the Secretary of the Army: George W. Casey, Jr. General, United States Army, Chief of Staff. Official: Signed: Joyce E. Morrow, Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army. Distribution: This publication is available in electronic media only and is intended for the Active Army, the Army National Guard/Army National Guard of the United States, and the U.S. Army Reserve.

• **ALEXANDER HAMILTON AWARD 2007**

**Battery “C” Awarded Streamer Embroidered ALEXANDER HAMILTON AWARD WINNER 2007:** The following is an official excerpt from USAFAS-ATZR-CSM Memorandum dated 16 August 2015: Department of the Army, Headquarters, United States Army Field Artillery School, Fort Sill, Oklahoma 73503-9035. Reply to Attention of: ATZR-CSM. 16 August 2015. MEMORANDUM: FOR: Commander, Battery "C", 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Regiment, PO Box 725, Anadarko, Oklahoma 73005-0725. SUBJECT: Alexander Hamilton Award for Fiscal Year 2007. 1 . Congratulations to your unit for winning the prestigious Alexander Hamilton Award. 2 . On behalf of the Field Artillery I would like to congratulate you on winning the Alexander Hamilton Award. This Award is given each year to the outstanding Army National Guard Field Artillery Battery for superb mission accomplishment and overall unit success. You have proven that you display what the Field Artillery has to offer. I challenge you to continue to set the standard for all your peers to emulate. 3. Best wishes from Fort Sill and thank you for your continued service to our Soldiers and our Army. "King of Battle". Signed: Daniel S. Moriarty, CSM, USA, Command Sergeant Major, United States Army Field Artillery School. Distribution: Unit-1. (See Figure 3. and Figure 4.)

**9 FEBRUARY 2009 – 15 AUGUST 2009**

**Navy Unit Commendation Embroidered 9 FEBRUARY 2009 – 15 AUGUST 2009:** The following is an official excerpt from MARADMIN 057/12 dated 1 February 2012: Announcement of Approved Navy Unit Commendation. Date Signed: 2/1/2012. MARADMIN. Active Number: 057/12 2012. R 010832Z Feb 12 "Unclassified". MARADMIN 057/12. Msgid. GENADMIN. CMC Washington DC MRA MM. Subj: Announcement of Approved Navy Unit Commendation. REF A. Msgid: Ltr. SECNAV. 12DEC2011. REF: B. Msgid: Doc. SECNAV. 22Aug2006. REF: C. Msgid:Doc. CMC MMMA. 17OCT2011. NARR: REF A is SECNAV Ltr Approving the NUC for II MEF (FORWARD) for Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF). REF B is SECNAVINST 1650.1H, Navy and Marine Corps Awards Manual. REF C IS NAVMC 2922, Marine Corps Unit Awards Manual. POC/T. J. McCann, SSGT, HQMC MMMA, TEL:703.784.9206, Email:Theodore.McCann@USMC.mil. Gentext/Remarks. 1. The purpose of this MARADMIN is to publish the listing of units eligible to participate in the Navy Unit Commendation (NUC). The Secretary of the Navy approved the NUC IAW REF A; to recognize II Marine Expeditionary Force (FORWARD) for actions in OIF from 09 FEB 09 TO 23 JAN 10. 2. As outlined in Ref B; personnel permanently assigned or attached to II MEF (FORWARD) who were actually present in Iraq and participated in the actions for which the unit was cited are authorized to wear the award. Eligibility is determined by evidence in service records or other official records that support the service member's assignment to a participating unit cited in para 7 below and direct participation in the actions cited. Upon determination of service member's eligibility, commanders are authorized to make the appropriate unit diary entries. 3. Members of rear parties who did not deploy are specifically excluded from participation in this award. 4. Units that are not listed that believe they are eligible for participation in this NUC may submit a letter via the chain of command under which they operated during the period cited in this award. Upon receipt of a fully endorsed chain of command recommendation to add an additional unit(s), the issue will be referred to the CMC for endorsement. If appropriate, the package will be forwarded to the SECNAV for decision. Any additional units authorized to participate in this award will be published in future award update messages. 5. Participating Units: . . . . . 1st BN, 158th FIELD ARTILLERY (USA) (09FEB09 - 15AUG09) . . . . . 7. A by name listing of Army, Air Force, and Navy personnel will be maintained at this headquarters, and a copy has been provided to the respective Headquarters for the update of the individual records. 8. The participating units included in this MARADMIN will be incorporated into Reference C, which is maintained on the internet at [www.manpower.usmc.mil](http://www.manpower.usmc.mil) awards website. 9. Release authorized by MR. C. F. Swain, Director, Manpower Management Division. (Acting).

**Secretary of the Navy Citation for award of the Navy Unit Commendation:** The following is an official excerpt from the Secretary of the Navy announcing the presentation of the Navy Unit Commendation to the II Marine Expeditionary Force Forward: The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting the NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION to II MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE (FORWARD) for service as set forth in the following CITATION: For exceptionally meritorious achievement during assigned missions as Multinational Force-West from 9 February 2007 to 9 February 2008 in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM. II Marine Expeditionary Force Forward (II MEF Fwd) significantly improved the security of Al Anbar Province, thus denying its use as an insurgent stronghold and setting the conditions for Provincial Iraqi Control of this model province. II MEF Fwd executed a campaign that improved relations with the Sunni population, restored security throughout Al Anbar Province and initiated an economic and social recovery plan that resulted in a rejuvenated Anbari government. During this period, the Iraqi Security Forces continued their transformation into an effective fighting force. Close cooperation between II MEF Fwd, Anbari tribal leaders and the Government of Iraq doubled the strength of the 1st and 7th Iraqi Army Divisions, while Marine Corps Military Transition Teams improved Iraqi Army operational capability. Marine Corps Police Transition Teams oversaw the expansion of the Iraqi Police, with young Iraqi men signing up in record numbers resulting in a provincial police force of 23,000 officers and over 120 police stations. Through a series of engagements under Operation FARDH AL QANOON, Marines and partnered Iraqi Security Forces neutralized insurgent activity in Al Anbar Province while simultaneously supporting Multi-National Corps-Iraq's Baghdad Security Plan. The result of this extensive effort was an unprecedented calm that resulted in a ten-fold reduction in attacks, from a weekly high of 458 to a low of 45, with a corresponding reduction in friendly casualties. By their truly distinctive achievements, extensive enthusiasm, and unflinching devotion to duty, the officers, enlisted

personnel and civilian employees of II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward) reflected great credit upon themselves and upheld the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Services. Signed: Ray Mabus. Secretary of the Navy. (See Figure 5.)

**AHRC-PDP-A MEMO dated 10 June 2014:** The following is an official excerpt from AHRC-PDP-A, MEMORANDUM FOR Commandant of the Marine Corps dated 10 June 2014: AHRC-PDP-A, Department of the Army, U. S. Army Human Resources Command, 1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122-5400. AHRC-PDP-A. MEMORANDUM FOR Commandant of the Marine Corps, Headquarters, U. S. Marine Corps Awards Branch, 3280 Russell Road, Quantico, VA 22134-5103. SUBJECT: Army concurrence for the II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward) Navy Unit Commendation. 1. The Department of the Army concurs with the recommendation of the Commandant of the Marine Corps to award the Navy Unit Commendation to the Army Unit(s) listed below that participated in operations with the II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward): Unit Name: 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Regiment. Period of Award: 9 February 2009 to 15 August 2009. 2. In accordance with DoD and Army regulations, only one unit decoration will be awarded for the same act of heroism, achievement, or period of meritorious service. To conform to regulation, the correct periods of award, listed above, should be included in all award elements for the above Army units. 3. HRC Awards and Decorations Branch requests that the Marine Corps update their records to include these Army units and forward a copy of the orders to the Department of the Army, HRC, Awards and Decorations Branch. 4. This document shall serve as authority for eligible Soldiers to update their records and wear the award pending ultimate publication in the Department of the Army General Orders. Permanent wear of the NUC for Army personnel is governed by provisions of AR 670-1. 5. The Center of Military History (CMH) will verify entitlement of the above unit(s) to an appropriate streamer with the U. S. Army Tank-Automotive and Armaments Command (TACOM), who will manufacture a decorative streamer with the inscription that the CMH determines. TACOM should provide and authorized streamer(s) to HRC's Awards and Decorations Branch, who will distribute award elements to the authorized units included in this decoration. Any additional award elements the Marine Corp wished to provide these units should be forwarded to the HRC Awards and Decorations Branch for distribution. 6. Please direct inquiries pertaining to this action the Awards and Decorations Branch at: Com'l (502) 613-9126, DSN 983- 9126, or usarmy.knox.hrc.tagd – awards@mail.mil. For the Commander: Signed: Elisa M. Robinson, CW4, AG, Chief, Awards and Decorations Branch. (See Figure 6.)

**17 OCTOBER 2013 – 18 JUNE 2014**

**Battery "A" Awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation Embroidered 17 OCTOBER 2013 – 18 JUNE 2014:** The following is an official excerpt from HRC Permanent Orders No. 232-03 dated 20 August 2014: Department of the Army. U.S. Army Human Resources Command. 1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122. PERMANENT ORDER 232-03. Battery "A", 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Regiment. Announcement is made of the following award: Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation. Period of service: 17 October 2013 to 18 June 2014. Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15. 20 August 2014. Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 17 October 2013 to 18 June 2014, Battery "A", 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Regiment in support of Operation Enduring Freedom 2013-2014. The Soldiers of the unit demonstrated an unwavering commitment to support the 4th Infantry Division in conducting operations in Regional Command South on multiple Forward Operating Base locations by completing both standard and nonstandard artillery missions. The dedication and absolute devotion to mission accomplishment exhibited by Battery "A", 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Regiment uphold the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon themselves, the 4th Infantry Division and the United States Army. Format: 320. Additional Instructions: This order serves as official notification that a unit award has been approved for the organization(s) listed above and will serve as authority for eligible soldiers to update their records and wear the award. The award is still subject to final confirmation in Department of the Army General Orders. Official verification of a specific unit's entitlement to display the award in the form of an appropriate streamer on its flag or guidon rests with the U.S. Army Center of Military History (CMH), which is also responsible for determining official unit Lineage and Honors for MTOE organizations. CMH will use this permanent order to authorize the manufacture of an appropriate decoration streamer for any

organization clearly entitled to display the award. The streamers will then be manufactured and sent to the U.S. Army Human Resources Command for automatic distribution to the units concerned. It is not the responsibility of HRC to replace streamers that are lost or damaged. Please refer to AR 840-10 for further guidance regarding the responsibilities of the unit concerning the display, care and disposition of the streamers. By Order of the Secretary of Army: Signed: Stacy B. Simms, CW4, AG, Deputy Chief, Awards and Decorations Branch. Distribution: Commander, 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Regiment, 3955 Cannoneer Field Road, Fort Sill, OK 73503 (1). CMH, 103 Third Ave., Fort McNair, Washington, DC 20319 (1). File (1).

The following is an official excerpt from General Orders No. 2016-14 dated 6 December 2016: GENERAL ORDERS 2016-14, Headquarters, Department of the Army, Washington, DC, 6 December 2016. MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15, the Meritorious Unit Commendation is awarded to the following units of the United States Army for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated: . . . . . Battery "A", 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Regiment. 17 October 2013 to 18 June 2014. . . . . [AHRC-PDP-A]. By Order of the Secretary of the Army: Mark A. Milley, General, United States Army, Chief of Staff. Official: Signed: Gerald B. O'Keefe, Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army. DISTRIBUTION: This publication is available in electronic media only and is intended for the Active Army, the Army National Guard/Army National Guard of the United States, and the U.S. Army Reserve.

## **NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU AWARDS**

**Dec 31, 1975** The following commendation was received by HHB First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Battalion by the National Guard Bureau for its overall rating in 1975 and awarded a Superior Unit Award: Departments of the Army and Air Force. National Guard Bureau. Army National Guard. Superior Unit Award. Presented to Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery. For attainment of an overall rating of Superior during training year 1975. Signed: L. E. Weber, Major General, Chief, National Guard Bureau. (See Figure 7.)

**Dec 31, 1977** The following commendation was received by HHB First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Battalion by the National Guard Bureau for its overall rating in 1977 and awarded a Superior Unit Award: Departments of the Army and Air Force. National Guard Bureau. Army National Guard. Superior Unit Award. Presented to Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery. For attainment of an overall rating of Superior during training year 1977. Signed: L. E. Weber, Major General, Chief, National Guard Bureau. (See Figure 8.)

## **OKLAHOMA MILITARY DEPARTMENT AWARDS**

### **Annual Armory Improvement Awards**

**Dec 31, 1970** The following Commendations were received by the HHB for its performance in the 1970 Annual General Inspection: State of Oklahoma Military Department. To: Headquarters and Headquarters Battery (-), First Battalion 158th Field Artillery, 45th Field Artillery Group, Oklahoma Army National Guard, Lawton, Oklahoma. 1970. You are commended in the Adjutant General's Fourth Annual Armory Improvement Program for the outstanding performance in bringing your armory too its high state of cleanliness, appearance, repair and maintenance. This commendation is in recognition for the extra time and effort spent and State appropriated monies saved in brining the armory to its present condition. This commendation attests to the professional abilities, esprit-de-corps, effective supervision, superior leadership and outstanding community support of all officers, noncommissioned officers and personnel of your unit. This achievement reflects in the most favorable manner upon your unit, your community, the Oklahoma National Guard and the State of Oklahoma. Signed: L. E. Weber, Major General, OKARNG, The Adjutant General. (See Figure 9.)

**Dec 31, 1972** The following Commendation was received by HHB 158th Field Artillery Battalion for its performance in the 1970 Annual General Inspection: State of Oklahoma Military Department. To: Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, First Battalion 158th Field Artillery, 45th Field Artillery Group, Oklahoma Army National Guard, Lawton, Oklahoma. 1972. This commendation is awarded for superior performance in the Adjutant General's Sixth Annual Armory Improvement Program. In recognition for superb performance in bringing your armory too its high state of cleanliness, appearance, repair and maintenance; and for the extra time and additional effort spent and State appropriated monies saved, this Commendation is awarded. This noteworthy contribution in bringing the armory to its present condition attests to the professional abilities, esprit-de-corps, effective supervision, superior leadership and exceptional community support of all officers, noncommissioned officers and personnel. This achievement reflects most favorably upon your unit, the community, the Oklahoma National Guard and the State of Oklahoma. Signed: David C. Matthews, Major General, OKARNG, The Adjutant General. (See Figure 10.)

**Dec 31, 1974** The following Commendation was received by HHB 158th Field Artillery Battalion for its performance in the 1970 Annual General Inspection: State of Oklahoma Military Department. To: Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, First Battalion 158th Field Artillery, 45th Field Artillery Group, Oklahoma Army National Guard, Lawton, Oklahoma. 1974. This commendation is awarded for superior performance in the Adjutant General's Eighth Annual Armory Improvement Program. In recognition for superb performance in bringing your armory too its high state of cleanliness, appearance, repair and maintenance; and for the extra time and additional effort spent and State appropriated monies saved, this Commendation is awarded. This noteworthy contribution in bringing the armory to its present condition attests to the professional abilities, esprit-de-corps, effective supervision, superior leadership and exceptional community support of all officers, noncommissioned officers and unit personnel. This achievement reflects most favorably upon the unit, the community, the Oklahoma Army National Guard and the State of Oklahoma. Signed: David C. Matthews, Major General, OKARNG, The Adjutant General. (See Figure 11.)

**Dec 31, 1976** The following Commendation was received by HHB 158th Field Artillery Battalion for its performance in the 1976 Annual General Inspection: State of Oklahoma Military Department. To: Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, First Battalion 158th Field Artillery, 45th Field Artillery Group, Oklahoma Army National Guard, Lawton, Oklahoma. 1976. This commendation is awarded for superior performance in the Adjutant General's Tenth Annual Armory Improvement Program. In recognition for superb performance in bringing your armory too its high state of cleanliness, appearance, repair and maintenance; and for the extra time and additional effort spent and State appropriated monies saved, this Commendation is awarded. This noteworthy contribution in bringing the armory to its present condition attests to the professional abilities, esprit-de-corps, effective supervision, superior leadership and exceptional community support of all officers, noncommissioned officers and unit personnel. This achievement reflects most favorably upon the unit, the community, the Oklahoma Army National Guard and the State of Oklahoma. Signed: John Coffey, Jr., Major General, OKARNG, The Adjutant General. (See Figure 12.)

**Dec 31, 1978** The following Commendation was received by HHB 1/158th Field Artillery Battalion for its performance in the 1978 Annual General Inspection: State of Oklahoma Military Department. Armory Improvement Program Category II. To: HHB, 1/158th Field Artillery, 45th Field Artillery Group, Oklahoma Army National Guard. 1978. This commendation is awarded for superior performance in the Adjutant General's Twelveth Annual Armory Improvement Program. In recognition for superb performance in bringing your armory too its high state of cleanliness, appearance, repair and maintenance; and for the extra time and additional effort spent and State appropriated monies saved, this Commendation is awarded. This noteworthy contribution in bringing the armory to its present condition attests to the professional abilities, esprit-de-corps, effective supervision, superior leadership and exceptional community support of all officers, noncommissioned officers and unit personnel. This achievement reflects most favorably upon the unit, the community, the Oklahoma Army National Guard and the State of Oklahoma. Signed: John Coffey, Jr., MG, AGC, OKARNG, The Adjutant General. (See Figure 13.)

### Annual General Inspection Awards

**Dec 31, 1970** The following Commendation was received by HHB 158th Field Artillery Battalion for its performance in the 1970 Annual General Inspection: State of Oklahoma Military Department Annual General Inspection Commendation. To: Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, First Battalion 158th Field Artillery. This commendation is awarded for outstanding performance as cited by the Inspector General, Fourth United States Army for the 1970 Annual General Inspection. This noteworthy report attests to the superior organization, high degree of technical skill and knowledge, experience, and devotion to duty of all members of the battery. Further it establishes a standard for future inspections. This honor reflects favorably not only upon Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, First Battalion 158th Field Artillery, but upon the State of Oklahoma, the Army National Guard, and the United States Army. I commend all members of the battery for a task well done: Signed: L. E. Weber, Major General, OKARNG, The Adjutant General. (See Figure 14.)

**Dec 31, 1975** The following Commendation was received by HHB First Battalion (8" SP) 158th Field Artillery Battalion for its performance in the 1975 Annual General Inspection: State of Oklahoma Military Department Annual General Inspection Commendation. To: Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, First Battalion (8" SP) 158th Field Artillery, Oklahoma Army National Guard. Is commended for outstanding accomplishments in administration, equipment condition and appearance of the facilities during the Annual General Inspection conducted by the Inspector General, Fifth United States Army, fiscal year 1975. This noteworthy commendation is awarded only to those units whose members have demonstrated a high degree of efficiency, morale, spirit de corps, discipline and devotion to duty. It also established a goal to maintain for future inspections. This honor reflects favorably upon the Commander, each unit member, unit technicians, the Oklahoma Army National Guard, and the United States Army. I commend all members of the unit for a job well done: Signed: John Coffey, Jr., MG (OK), AGC, OKARNG, The Adjutant General. (See Figure 15.)

**Dec 31, 1977** The following Commendation was received by HHB First Battalion (8" SP) 158th Field Artillery Battalion for its performance in the 1977 Annual General Inspection: State of Oklahoma Military Department Annual General Inspection Commendation. To: Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, First Battalion (8" SP) 158th Field Artillery, Oklahoma Army National Guard. Is commended for outstanding accomplishments in administration, equipment condition and training during the Annual General Inspection conducted by the Inspector General, Fifth United States Army, fiscal year 1977. This commendation is awarded to those units whose members have demonstrated a high degree of proficiency, morale, esprit de corps, discipline and devotion to duty. This efficiency is evidenced by the unit's overall condition. This honor reflects favorably upon the Commander, each unit member, unit technicians, the Oklahoma Army National Guard, and the United States Army. I commend all members of the unit for a job well done: Signed: John Coffey, Jr., MG (OK), AGC, OKARNG, The Adjutant General. (See Figure 16.)

**Dec 31, 1979** The following Commendation was received by HHB First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Battalion for its performance in the 1979 Annual General Inspection: State of Oklahoma Military Department Annual General Inspection Commendation. To: Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery, Oklahoma Army National Guard. Is commended for outstanding accomplishments in administration, maintenance, and training reflected by the report of the Annual General Inspection conducted by the Inspector General, Fifth United States Army, fiscal year 1979. This commendation is awarded only to those units whose members have demonstrated a high degree of proficiency, morale, esprit de corps, discipline and devotion to duty. This award reflects favorably on the Commander, each unit member, unit technicians, the Oklahoma Army National Guard, and the United States Army. I commend all members of the unit for a job well done: Signed: Robert M. Morgan, MG (OK), AGC, OKARNG, The Adjutant General. (See Figure 17.)

### Certificate of Commendation

**May 25, 1976** The following commendation was received by HHB First Battalion (8" SP), 158th Field Artillery Battalion by the State of Oklahoma Military Department: Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, First Battalion (8" SP) 158th Field Artillery, Lawton, Oklahoma 73501, for unit contribution to Battalion's Achievement of Supply Efficiency Award, calendar year 1975, is awarded in recognition of

Outstanding Achievement in behalf of the Oklahoma National Guard, this Certificate of Commendation.  
Signed: John Coffey, Jr., MG, AGC, OKARNG. 25 May 1976. (See Figure 18.)

## **OKLAHOMA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD AWARDS**

### **100 Percent Strength Award**

**May 16, 1978** The following commendation was received by HHB First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Battalion by the Oklahoma National Guard Bureau for 100 Percent Strength in 1977: Oklahoma National Guard 100 Percent Strength Award presented to Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery, Lawton, OK for maintaining authorized strength continuously during calendar year 1977. Awarded this 16th day of May 1978. Signed: Harold C. Dallam, COL, GS, OKARNG, Recruiting Officer. Signed: John Coffey, Jr., MG (OK), AGC, OKARNG, Adjutant General. (See Figure 19.)

**Jul 05, 1979** The following commendation was received by HHB First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Battalion by the Oklahoma National Guard Bureau for 100 Percent Strength for one calendar year: Oklahoma National Guard 100 Percent Strength Award presented to Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery, Lawton, OK for maintaining authorized strength continuously during calendar year 1 July 1978 – 1 July 1979. Awarded this 5th day of July 1979. Signed: Charles D. Houston, MAJ, FA, OKARNG, Recruiting Officer. Signed: Robert M. Morgan, MG (OK), AGC, OKARNG, Adjutant General. (See Figure 20.)

### **Governor's Distinguished Unit Award**

**May 13, 1979** Permanent Orders 40-1. Dated 12 May 1981: Headquarters 1st Battalion 158th Field Artillery. Oklahoma Army National Guard. P. O. Box 5008, Lawton, Oklahoma 73504. 13 May 1981. Subject: Request for the Governor's Distinguished Unit Emblem. The Adjutant General of Oklahoma. ATTN: OKPA-IG. 3501 Military Circle, NE. Oklahoma City, O K 73111. 1. Reference is made to Permanent Orders 40-1, State of Oklahoma Military Department, dated 12 May 1981. 2. In compliance with paragraph 4129 g, Chapter 4, SOP TAG OK, it is requested that 121 Governor's Distinguished Unit Emblems and 5 Oak Leaf Clusters be issued this Headquarters for presentation to eligible members of HHB 1st Bn 158th FA. 3. Roster of personnel authorized award attached. For the Commander: Signed Dennis R. Roper, CW4, OKARNG, Military Personnel Technician. State of Oklahoma. Military Department. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111. Permanent Orders 40-1. 12 May 1981. The Governor's Distinguished Unit Award. HHB First Battalion 158th Field Artillery, Lawton, OK 73504. The following award is announced. Award: The Governor's Distinguished Unit Award. Date (s) of period of service: Calendar Year 1980. Authority: Section 195.5 (k), Title 44, Oklahoma Statutes 1961. Reason: For outstanding performance and ratings, as determined by Committee appointed under provisions of Title 44, Oklahoma Statutes 1961. Format: 320. By order of the Governor: Signed: Leon C. Shackelford, MAJ, IN, OKARNG, Personnel Staff Officer. Distribution: 10 OKPA-AS. Roster of Personnel. HHB 1st Bn 158th FA- Governor's Distinguished Unit Award-1980. Permanent Orders 40-1. Governor's Distinguished Unit. 12 May 1981. Stebbins, Gary, R., CPT. Thomasson, Bobby, D., MAJ. McReynolds, John, D., MAJ. Terrell, Richard, C., 1LT. Davis, Jerry, G., CPT. Kliewer, Leland, F., CPT. Campbell, David, Jr., PV2. Comforti, Kathleen, A., PFC. Jensen, Karl, G., SGT. Rogers, Joseph, V., SSG. Layton, William, W., SSG. Fitzgerald, Willie, L., SGT. Bass, Steve, M., SGT. Freeman, William, Jr., PFC. Nelson, Richard, W., SP5. King, Walter, E., SGT. Sappington, Earl, E., SSG. Tuckness, James, A., SP5. Wiser, Jerry, A., SP5. Smith, Otho, Jr., SSG. Watts, Ray, L., SSG. Franklin, Dwight, W., SP4. Galbreath, Billy, D., PV2. McCarley, Walter, L., SSG. Adams, Russell, B., PV2. Unsell, Emmitt, D., SFC. Dyer, Alice, F., SP4. Sales, Frank, E., SP4. Frazier, Jeffrey, H., PV2. McCarley, Jerry, D., SP5. Tuck, Hershel, W., Jr., SSG. Simerly, Donald, W., SP4. Burton, Jerre, J., SP6. Richardson, Harry, L., SP4. Wilks, Gary, D., PV2. Correll, Ora, A., MSG. Danna, Roosevelt, Jr., SP4. Dover, Arty, L., Jr., SP5. Hicks, Loyal, E., Jr., PFC. Kittle, Ermel, L., SSG. Wooten, Tommy, E., SP5. Davilla, Victor, G., PFC. Meeke, Monte, E., SP4. Zumwalt, Timothy, W., SGT. Owens, Amos, J., Jr., SP5. Bailey, Bobby, J., SSG. Johnson, James, E., PV1. Stewart, Thomas, L., PFC. Knudsen, Michael, G., SP4. Limon, Richard, SP5. Manning, Addie, M., PFC. Tinnell, James, H., SP5. Spurlock, John, C., Sr., SSG. Dedert, Randall, R., SGT. Foote, William, E., Sr., SSG. Garey, Bennie, J., Jr., SGT. Pagan - Figueroa, Carl, SSG. Davis, Larry, C., SP6. LeCompte, James, W., SSG. Pierce, David, M., PV2. Priest, Clarence, M.,



SSG. Lopez, Rodriguez, M., A., SP5. Love, Frank, SGT. Atkinson, Austin, K., CPT. Hays, Marvin, D., MAJ. Holt, Ronald, W., LTC. Adams, Jackson, H., MAJ. Smith, David, B., 2LT. O'Neal, David, G., CPT. Tyler, Michael, A., SP4. Tolliver, Gary, L., SP4. Snyder, James, G., SSG. Gross, Ronald, J., Jr., PV2. Jones, Edward, L., SGT. Crumpton, James, H., PV1. Anderson, Charles, E., SSG. Powers, Jack, D., PFC. Kulow, Carl, J., SSG. Scott, Adolph, S., PV2. Sullivan, Donald, M., SP5. Paddie, Danny, E., SP5. Williams, Calvin, L., SSG. McCarley, Paul, G., SP4. Morris, Cynthia, J., PFC. Gordon, Winfred, D., PFC. Johnson, Darnell, K., PV2. McCarley, Roy, D., SSG. King, Rudy, J., SSG. Franklin, Garen, SGT. Zumwalt, Johnnie, F., SGT. Riggs, Kyle, E., SGT. Rackler, Kenneth, D., PV2. Pennington, Richard, PFC. Crow, Danny, R., SGT. Burnett, Jackie, E., PFC. Ward, Vernon, R., SSG. Middleton, Eddy, D., PV2. Daughterty, Charles, H., SGT. Gordon, Oliver, J., SSG. Layton, Charles, F., SSG. Fish, Marvin, W., SGT. Nixon, David, O., SFC. Calhoun, Marx, L., SFC. Parker, Ralph, G., SP5. Straughter, Sharline, SP5. Huntley, Donald, A., SGT. Stringer, Robert, L., SGM. Ille, Kenneth, V., MSG. Richardson, Larry, D., SGT. Land, Daniel, Clinton, PFC. Reed, Timothy, W., SSG. Smith, Dora, A., SP5. Carter, Ronnie, A., PV2. Aguilera, Domingo, Jr., PV2. Tharp, Donald, R., Sr., SSG. Catlett, Barbara, R., SP5. McAfee, Jimmie, L., SSG 2nd Award: McCall, Daryl, K., CPT. Roper, Dennis, R., CW4. Dudenhoeffer, Clay, F., 1SG. Stevens, Joseph, L., Jr., SFC. Hinson, Michael, C., SSG.

## **45TH INFANTRY DIVISION AWARDS**

**Mar 03, 1945** The following is an official excerpt from General Orders Number 69 dated 3 March 1945. Headquarters, Forty Fifth Infantry Division, APO 45, US Army. General Orders Number 69, 3 March 1945. Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque. Under the provisions of War Department Circular Number 345, 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the following named organization, Individuals assigned or attached to this unit are entitled to wear the Meritorious Service Unit Insignia only so long as they remain assigned or attached: SERVICE BATTERY, 158TH FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION, for superior performance of difficult tasks from 15 August 1944 to 31 January 1945 in France. During this period the Service Battery has maintained a constant flow of supplies to the other units of the battalion despite the handicaps of distance, weather and terrain. From the time of the landing on 15 August 1944 to the crossing of the Mourtho River, the rapidity of movement necessitated extremely long trips for rations and ammunition with a resultant loss of time for the upkeep of vehicles and rest for the men, yet the battery fulfilled its assignment with the maximum of efficiency, working long hours to maintain vehicles in working order and sacrificing their own comfort and rest to insure the promptly delivery of supplies and repair of equipment. During this time the ammunition dumps were distant from the unit so that trips of one hundred to three hundred miles were frequently necessary, but the battery maintained the required level of ammunition at all time in addition to furnishing vehicles for the shuttling of infantry. As the stiffening enemy resistance allowed the advance, it was necessary to use several officers in other capacities; however, the enlisted men responded to their additional responsibility with a cheerful enthusiasm which assured the continued efficient performance of their duties. The battery has achieved a high standard of discipline and military courtesy. As displayed by the appearance of the installations and the state of equipment, and the enthusiastic execution of orders under the most trying of conditions, the battery has exhibited an efficiency of performance which reflects credit upon its officers and men. BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL FREDERICK. OFFICIAL: Kenneth G. Wickham, Colonel, GSC, Chief of Staff. Signed: Henry B. Roach, Lt Col, AGD, Adjutant General. DISTRIBUTION: "B" plus, 3= TAG, 5= Etousa, 1= 7th Army, 1= Central MRU. (See Figure 21.)

## **45TH FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE AWARDS**

### **Letter of Transmittal**

**Apr 21, 1979** The following Commendation was received by 158th Field Artillery Battalion for its performance in the 1978 Annual General Inspection by the 45th Field Artillery Brigade Commander: Headquarters. 45th Field Artillery Brigade, Oklahoma Army National Guard, P. O. Box 3046, Enid, Oklahoma 73701. 21 April 1979. Subject: Transmittal of Annual General Inspection Commendation. Thru: Commander. 1st Bn 158th FA. PO Box 5008, Sheridan Station, Lawton, OK 73504. To: Commander.

HHB 1st Bn 158th FA. PO Box 5008, Sheridan Station, Lawton, OK 73504. 1. I would like to extend my congratulations to you and your unit for having been commended on your last Annual General Inspection. 2. It is a privilege and an honor to receive a commendation of this magnitude. The efforts expended by you, your unit technicians, and all of your unit personnel are most evident when recognition such as this is given. High unit standards and unequalled expectations of your unit will always result in a superior unit. 3. I appreciate your work and encourage you to continue to excel. Signed: Norman E. Duckworth, COL, FA, OKARNG, Commanding. 1 Incl. 1. Commendation. (See Figure 22.)

## **STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

### **Citation of Appreciation**

**Sep 18, 1972** Whereas, Battery A, First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery (MLRS), Oklahoma Army National Guard was mobilized during the Persian Gulf Crisis; and Whereas, the personal and collective sacrifices of these assigned citizen-soldiers, coupled with their acts of bravery, made a substantial contribution to the resounding success of OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD and DESERT STORM; and Whereas, Battery A, First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery (MLRS) executed its assigned mission in the Persian Gulf valiantly and professionally, and in a manner worthy of emulation; and Whereas, the Oklahoma State Senate, acting on behalf of the citizens of the state, wishes to extend its gratitude and appreciation to Battery A and all other dedicated men and women in the Armed Forces. Now, therefore, pursuant to the motion of Senator Roy B. Hooper and Senator Paul A. Taliaferro the Senate of the State of Oklahoma extends to: Battery A, First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery (MLRS), Oklahoma Army National Guard; its sincere congratulations and directs that this Citation be presented. (See Figure 23.)

## **CITY OF LAWTON, OKLAHOMA**

### **Proclamation**

**Sep 18, 1972** The City of Lawton, Oklahoma Official Proclamation: Office of the Mayor, City of Lawton, Lawton, Oklahoma. Don E. Whitaker, Mayor. Official Proclamation: Whereas, the National Guard has long been established in Lawton and is a force trained and equipped to respond to Lawton's needs in civil disaster; and whereas, the National Guard has always demonstrated a willingness to assist civic clubs in any way possible to raise money for charitable causes and the Guard programs are also community oriented; and whereas, the National Guard is a significant contributor to the economic welfare of Lawton, and whereas, the National Guard now comprises 47% of the U. S. Army's combat power directly affecting our nation's security; and whereas, National Guard training offers training in marketable skills to the economically disadvantaged and offers leadership training to the youth, now, therefore, I, Don E. Whitaker, Mayor of the City of Lawton, Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim the week of September 24 through 30, 1972, as: National Guard Week, and urge all citizens to pay tribute and honor to all Guardsmen not only during this period but throughout the entire year. Signed: Don E. Whitaker, Mayor, done at City Hall, this 18th day of September, 1972. (See Figure 24.)



## **EXHIBITS**

RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE

Guerre 1939-1945

CITATION

Décision n ° 843

**FRANÇAIS Croix de Guerre avec PALM  
Est présenté à la 45e Division d'infanterie**

Siège Siège & Company, 45e Division d'infanterie  
45e de cavalerie troupe de reconnaissance (mécanisé)  
Combat Battalion Ingénieur 120e  
120e Bataillon médical  
157e Régiment d'Infanterie  
179e Régiment d'Infanterie  
180e Régiment d'Infanterie  
Siège & Siège Batterie, 45e Division d'Infanterie Artillerie  
Champ 158e bataillon d'artillerie (105mm obusier)  
Champ 160e bataillon d'artillerie (105mm obusier)  
171e Bataillon d'artillerie (105mm obusier)  
Champ 189e bataillon d'artillerie (155mm obusier)  
Siège et siège de la société, des troupes spéciales, 45e Division  
d'infanterie  
45e Intendant Société  
45e Signal Company  
Ordnance 700e Lumière Maintenance Company  
Band, 45e Division d'infanterie  
Peloton de police militaire, 45e Division d'infanterie

La Croix de Guerre française avec Palm est décerné par la décision n ° 843, le 21 Juin 1945, par le Président du Gouvernement provisoire de la République française, avec la citation suivante:

Une formation magnifique dont la combativité et de la coopération ont été particulièrement admiré par les unités de Corps expéditionnaire français. Après leur entrée dans la ligne en Italie, cette division, avec certains de ses infanterie, a joué un rôle glorieux dans la victoire de Acquafondata du 1er au 31 Janvier 1944.

Gouvernement provisoire de la République française  
ou GPRF

signé : Président Charles de Gaulle 1944-1946

Figure 1.

REPUBLIC OF KOREA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

30 September 1953

**PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION**

The President of the Republic of Korea takes profound pleasure  
in citing for exceptionally meritorious service

the

**45th United States Infantry Division**

The 45th United States Infantry Division continually exhibited extraordinary valor in combat and an unsurpassed excellence in the training and coordinating of Republic of Korea forces. In June 1952, the Division initiated a series of brilliant surprise attacks in order to establish a formidable outpost line beyond the existing main line of resistance and acquired many new positions, including the now famous hill masses of "Eerie" and "Baldy." The outposts were held securely in spite of the intense enemy counterattacks to recapture the strategic sites. Without yielding any of the newly acquired gains, the Division inflicted heavy losses upon the foe before it was replaced after over two hundred days of continuous combat. At this point, the men of the 45th United States Infantry Division undertook the important task of technically training Republic of Korea troops. Their efforts were rewarded by a display of brilliant combat effectiveness throughout the Republic of Korea forces. The return to front line positions in September 1952 by the Thunderbird Division created a new chapter in the military accomplishments of both United States and Korean troops as the two fused and fought together with a rare display of unity. During the Communist summer offensive of 1953, the 45th United States Infantry Division once again exhibited its fighting spirit and singleness of purpose as it frustrated enemy attacks and preserved vital positions on "Sand Bag Castle," "Heartbreak Ridge" and "Christmas Hill." The steadfast devotion to duty, gallantry in battle and cooperative spirit with which Republic of Korea troops were made an integral part of a unified force reflect the greatest credit upon the 45th United States Infantry Division and uphold the most esteemed traditions of the military profession.


Figure 2.  
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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES ARMY FIELD ARTILLERY SCHOOL  
FORT SILL, OKLAHOMA 73503-9035

ATZR-CSM

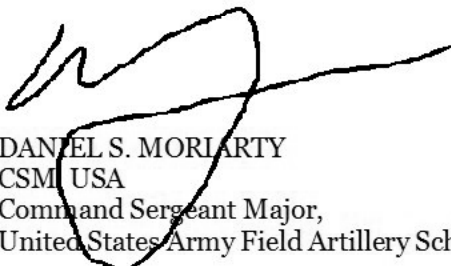
16 August 2015

**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Commander, Battery "C", 1st Battalion,  
158th Field Artillery Regiment, PO Box 725, Anadarko, Oklahoma  
73005-0725

**SUBJECT:** Alexander Hamilton Award for Fiscal Year 2007

1. Congratulations to your unit for winning the prestigious Alexander Hamilton Award.
2. On behalf of the Field Artillery I would like to congratulate you on winning the Alexander Hamilton Award. This Award is given each year to the outstanding Army National Guard Field Artillery Battery for superb mission accomplishment and overall unit success. You have proven that you display what the Field Artillery has to offer. I challenge you to continue to set the standard for all your peers to emulate.
3. Best wishes from Fort Sill and thank you for your continued service to our Soldiers and our Army.

"King of Battle"



DANIEL S. MORIARTY  
CSM USA  
Command Sergeant Major,  
United States Army Field Artillery School

DISTRIBUTION:  
Unit-1

Figure 3.

# 2007 HAMILTON AWARD

BEST ARMY NATIONAL GUARD FIELD ARTILLERY BATTERY  
BATTERY "C" 1ST BATTALION 158TH FIELD ARTILLERY  
OKLAHOMA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD, CHICKASHA, OKLAHOMA



CPT Donald A. Anderson

1SG Dennis R. Cooper

Figure 4.



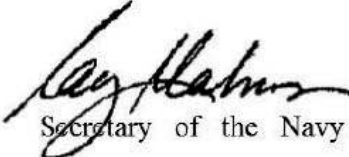
## THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting the  
NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION to

### II MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE (FORWARD)

for service as set forth in the following  
CITATION:

For exceptionally meritorious achievement during assigned missions as Multinational Force-West from 9 February 2007 to 9 February 2008 in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM. II Marine Expeditionary Force Forward (II MEF Fwd) significantly improved the security of Al Anbar Province, thus denying its use as an insurgent stronghold and setting the conditions for Provincial Iraqi Control of this model province. II MEF Fwd executed a campaign that improved relations with the Sunni population, restored security throughout Al Anbar Province and initiated an economic and social recovery plan that resulted in a rejuvenated Anbari government. During this period, the Iraqi Security Forces continued their transformation into an effective fighting force. Close cooperation between II MEF Fwd, Anbari tribal leaders and the Government of Iraq doubled the strength of the 1st and 7th Iraqi Army Divisions, while Marine Corps Military Transition Teams improved Iraqi Army operational capability. Marine Corps Police Transition Teams oversaw the expansion of the Iraqi Police, with young Iraqi men signing up in record numbers resulting in a provincial police force of 23,000 officers and over 120 police stations. Through a series of engagements under Operation FARDH AL QANOON, Marines and partnered Iraqi Security Forces neutralized insurgent activity in Al Anbar Province while simultaneously supporting Multi-National Corps-Iraq's Baghdad Security Plan. The result of this extensive effort was an unprecedented calm that resulted in a ten-fold reduction in attacks, from a weekly high of 458 to a low of 45, with a corresponding reduction in friendly casualties. By their truly distinctive achievements, extensive enthusiasm, and unflinching devotion to duty, the officers, enlisted personnel and civilian employees of II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward) reflected great credit upon themselves and upheld the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Services.



Secretary of the Navy

Figure 5.



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
U. S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND  
1600 SPEARHEAD DIVISION AVENUE, DEPARTMENT 400  
FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5400

AHRC-PDP-A

10 June 2014

MEMORANDUM FOR Commandant of the Marine Corps, Headquarters, U. S. Marine Corps Awards Branch,  
3280 Russell Road, Quantico, VA 22134-5103

SUBJECT: Army concurrence for the II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward) Navy Unit Commendation

1. The Department of the Army concurs with the recommendation of the Commandant of the Marine Corps to award the Navy Unit Commendation to the Army Unit(s) listed below that participated in operations with the II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward):

<u>Unit Name</u>	<u>Period of Award</u>
1st Battalion, 158th Field Artillery Regiment	9 February 2009 to 15 August 2009
320th Psychological Operations Company	9 February 2009 to 1 October 2009
Company B, 1st Battalion, 214th Aviation Regiment	1 June 2009 to 15 December 2009

2. In accordance with DoD and Army regulations, only one unit decoration will be awarded for the same act of heroism, achievement, or period of meritorious service. To conform to regulation, the correct periods of award, listed above, should be included in all award elements for the above Army units.
3. HRC Awards and Decorations Branch requests that the Marine Corps update their records to include these Army units and forward a copy of the orders to the Department of the Army, HRC, Awards and Decorations Branch.


  
 ELISA M. ROBINSON  
 CW4, AG  
 Chief, Awards and Decorations Branch.

Figure 6.







DEPARTMENTS OF THE ARMY AND THE AIR FORCE

# National Guard Bureau

*Army National Guard  
Superior Unit Award*

*Presented to*  
Headquarters And Headquarters Battery  
1ST Battalion 158TH Field Artillery  
Oklahoma Army National Guard

*for*  
*Attainment of an overall Rating of*  
**Superior**  
*during training year*  
1975

*[Signature]*  
Major General  
Chief, National Guard Bureau

Figure 7.



DEPARTMENTS OF THE ARMY AND THE AIR FORCE

# National Guard Bureau

*Army National Guard  
Superior Unit Award*

*Presented to*

HEADQUARTERS and HEADQUARTERS BATTERY, 1st BATTALION, 158th FIELD ARTILLERY

*for  
Attainment of an overall Rating of*

**Superior**

*during training year*

*Major General  
Chief, National Guard Bureau*

TY-77

Figure 8.



Figure 9.



Figure 10.



This Commendation is awarded for superior performance in The Adjutant General's Eighth Annual Amory Improvement Program.

In recognition for superb performance in bringing your armory to its high state of cleanliness, appearance, repair, and maintenance; and for the extra time, additional effort spent, and State appropriated monies saved, this Commendation is awarded.

This noteworthy contribution in bringing the armory to its present condition attests to the professional abilities esprit-de-corp, effective supervision, superior leadership and exceptional community support of all officers, noncommissioned officers and unit personnel.

This achievement reflects most favorably upon the unit, the community, the Oklahoma Army National Guard and the State of Oklahoma.

*David C. Matthews*  
DAVID C. MATTHEWS, MAJOR GENERAL, OKARNG  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Figure 11.



HEADQUARTERS HEADQUARTERS BATTERY  
1ST BATTALION 158TH FIELD ARTILLERY  
45TH FIELD ARTILLERY GROUP  
OKLAHOMA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD  
LAWTON, OKLAHOMA  
1976



This Commendation is awarded for superior performance in The Adjutant General's Tenth Annual Armory Improvement Program.

In recognition for superb performance in bringing your armory to its high state of cleanliness, appearance, repair, and maintenance; and for the extra time, additional effort spent, and State appropriated monies saved, this Commendation is awarded.

This noteworthy contribution in bringing the armory to its present condition attests to the professional abilities esprit-de-corps, effective supervision, superior leadership and exceptional community support of all officers, noncommissioned officers and unit personnel.

This achievement reflects most favorably upon the unit, the community, the Oklahoma Army National Guard and the State of Oklahoma.

  
JOHN COFFEY, JR., MAJOR GENERAL,  
OKARNG, THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Figure 12.



ARMORY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM  
CATEGORY II  
HHB 1/158th FA  
45th FIELD ARTILLERY GROUP

OKLAHOMA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD  
1978

*This Commendation is awarded for superior performance in The Adjutant General's Twelfth Annual Armory Improvement Program.*

*In recognition for superb performance in bringing your armory to its high state of cleanliness, appearance, repair, and maintenance; and for the extra time, additional effort spent, and State appropriated monies saved, this Commendation is awarded.*

*This noteworthy contribution in bringing the armory to its present condition attests to the professional abilities esprit-de-corp, effective supervision, superior leadership and exceptional community support of all officers, non-commissioned officers and unit personnel.*

*This achievement reflects most favorably upon the unit, the community, the Oklahoma Army National Guard and the State of Oklahoma*

  
JOHN COFFEY, JR., MG, MGCC, OKARNG  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL



Figure 13.  
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Figure 14.





ANNUAL GENERAL INSPECTION COMMENDATION

HQB FIRST BATTALION (8" SP) 158TH FIELD ARTILLERY  
OKLAHOMA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

IS COMMENDED FOR THE OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN ADMINISTRATION, EQUIPMENT CONDITION AND APPEARANCE OF THE FACILITIES DURING THE ANNUAL GENERAL INSPECTION CONDUCTED BY THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, FIFTH UNITED STATES ARMY, FISCAL YEAR 1975.

THIS COMMENDATION IS AWARDED ONLY TO THOSE UNITS WHOSE MEMBERS HAVE DEMONSTRATED A HIGH DEGREE OF EFFICIENCY, MORALE, ESPRIT DE CORPS, DISCIPLINE AND DEVOTION TO DUTY. IT ALSO ESTABLISHES A GOAL TO MAINTAIN FOR FUTURE INSPECTIONS.

THIS HONOR REFLECTS FAVORABLY UPON THE COMMANDER, EACH UNIT MEMBER, UNIT TECHNICIANS, THE OKLAHOMA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD AND THE UNITED STATES ARMY. I COMMEND ALL MEMBERS OF THE UNIT FOR A JOB WELL DONE.



  
JOHN COFFEY, JR.  
MG (OK), AGC, OKARNG  
The Adjutant General

Figure 15.



ANNUAL GENERAL INSPECTION COMMENDATION

HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS BATTERY, 1ST BATTALION (S IN SP) 158 FIELD ARTILLERY  
OKLAHOMA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

IS COMMENDED FOR THE OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN ADMINISTRATION, EQUIPMENT CONDITION, AND TRAINING DURING THE ANNUAL GENERAL INSPECTION CONDUCTED BY THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, FIFTH UNITED STATES ARMY, FISCAL YEAR 1977.

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THIS HONOR REFLECTS FAVORABLY ON THE COMMANDER, EACH UNIT MEMBER, UNIT TECHNICIANS, THE OKLAHOMA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD AND THE UNITED STATES ARMY. I COMMEND ALL MEMBERS OF THE UNIT FOR A JOB WELL DONE.



  
JOHN COFFEY, JR.  
MG, AGC, OKARNG  
The Adjutant General

Figure 16.



ANNUAL GENERAL INSPECTION COMMENDATION

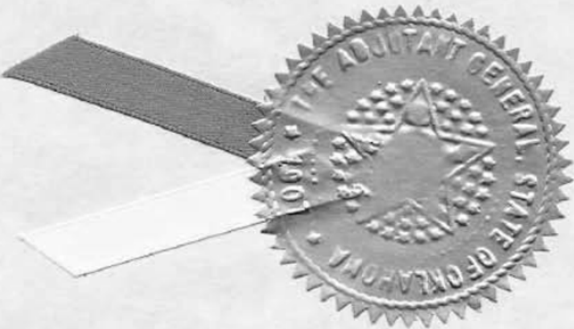
HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS BATTERY FIRST BATTALION 153<sup>rd</sup> FIELD ARTILLERY

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IS COMMENDED FOR OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN ADMINISTRATION, MAINTENANCE, AND TRAINING, REFLECTED BY THE REPORT OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL INSPECTION CONDUCTED BY THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, FIFTH UNITED STATES ARMY, FISCAL YEAR 1979.

THIS COMMENDATION IS AWARDED TO ONLY THOSE UNITS WHOSE MEMBERS HAVE DEMONSTRATED A HIGH DEGREE OF PROFICIENCY, MORALE, ESPRIT DE CORPS, DISCIPLINE, AND DEVOTION TO DUTY.

THIS AWARD REFLECTS FAVORABLY ON THE COMMANDER, EACH UNIT MEMBER, UNIT TECHNICIANS, THE OKLAHOMA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD, AND THE UNITED STATES ARMY. I COMMEND ALL MEMBERS FOR A JOB WELL DONE.



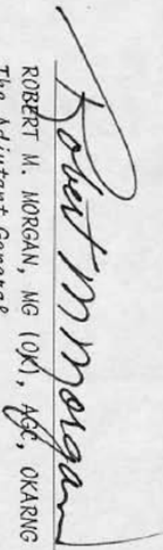

  
ROBERT M. MORGAN, MG (OK), AGC, OKARNG  
The Adjutant General

Figure 17.

HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS BATTERY, 1ST BATTALION  
(8"SP) 158TH FIELD ARTILLERY, Lawton, Oklahoma 73501,  
for Unit Contribution to Battalion's Achievement of  
Supply Efficiency Award, Calendar Year 1975

Is awarded in recognition of  
Outstanding Achievement in  
behalf of the Oklahoma  
National Guard, this . . .

**CERTIFICATE  
OF  
COMMENDATION**

  
JOHN COFFEY, JR, MG, AGC, OKARNG

*The Adjutant General*

25 May 1976

*Date*

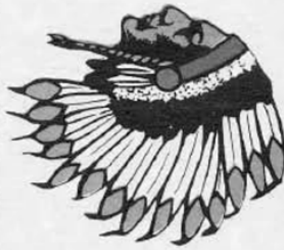


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OF  
OKLAHOMA**

**MILITARY DEPARTMENT**

Figure 18.

# OKLAHOMA NATIONAL GUARD



## 100 PERCENT STRENGTH AWARD


PRESENTED TO

HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS BATTERY FIRST BATTALION  
158TH FIELD ARTILLERY LAWTON, OK

FOR MAINTAINING AUTHORIZED STRENGTH CONTINUOUSLY DURING CALENDAR YEAR

1977

AWARDED THIS 16TH DAY OF MAY 19 78

  
HAROLD C. DALLAM, COL, CS, OKARNG  
RECRUITING OFFICER

  
JOHN COFFEY JR, MG, SAC, OKARNG  
ADJUTANT GENERAL

Figure 19.

OKLAHOMA NATIONAL GUARD



**100 PERCENT STRENGTH AWARD**

PRESENTED TO

HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS BATTERY 1ST BATTALION 158TH FIELD ARTILLERY  
LAWTON, OKLAHOMA

FOR MAINTAINING AUTHORIZED STRENGTH CONTINUOUSLY DURING CALENDAR YEAR

1 JULY 1978 - 1 JULY 1979

AWARDED THIS 5TH DAY OF JULY 19 79

*Charles F. Houston*  
CHARLES F. HOUSTON  
MAJ, FA, OKARNG

RECRUITING OFFICER

*Robert M. Morgan*  
ROBERT M. MORGAN  
MG, (OK) AGC, OKARNG

ADJUTANT GENERAL

Figure 20.

HEADQUARTERS  
FORTY FIFTH INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO 45, US ARMY



3 March 1945

GENERAL ORDERS

NUMBER 69

Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque

Under the provisions of War Department Circular Number 345, 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the following-named organization. Individuals assigned or attached to this unit are entitled to wear the Meritorious Service Unit Insignia only so long as they remain assigned or attached:

SERVICE BATTERY, 158TH FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION, for superior performance of difficult tasks from 15 August 1944 to 31 January 1945 in France. During this period the Service Battery has maintained a constant flow of supplies to the other units of the battalion despite the handicaps of distance, weather and terrain. From the time of the landing on 15 August 1944 to the crossing of the Meurthe River, the rapidity of movement necessitated extremely long trips for rations and ammunition with a resultant loss of time for the upkeep of vehicles and rest for the men, yet the battery fulfilled its assignment with the maximum of efficiency, working long hours to maintain vehicles in working order and sacrificing their own comfort and rest to insure the prompt delivery of supplies and repair of equipment. During this time the ammunition dumps were distant from the unit so that trips of one hundred to three hundred miles were frequently necessary, but the battery maintained the required level of ammunition at all times in addition to furnishing vehicles for the shuttling of infantry. As the stiffening enemy resistance slowed the advance, it was necessary to use several officers in other capacities; however, the enlisted men responded to their additional responsibility with a cheerful enthusiasm which assured the continued efficient performance of their duties. The battery has achieved a high standard of discipline and military courtesy. As displayed by the appearance of the installations and the state of the equipment, and the enthusiastic execution of orders under the most trying of conditions, the battery has exhibited an efficiency of performance which reflects credit upon its officers and men.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL FREDERICK:

OFFICIAL:

KENNETH G WICKHAM  
Colonel, GSC  
Chief of Staff

*Henry B Roach*  
HENRY B ROACH  
Lt Col, AGD  
Adjutant General

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Figure 21.



**HEADQUARTERS**  
**45th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE**  
**OKLAHOMA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD**  
P. O. Box 3046, Enid, Oklahoma 73701



21 April 1979

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Annual General Inspection Commendation

THRU: Commander  
1st Bn 158th FA  
PO Box 5008, Sheridan Station  
Lawton, OK 73504

TO: Commander  
HHB 1st Bn 158th FA  
PO Box 5008, Sheridan Station  
Lawton, OK 73504

1. I would like to extend my congratulations to you and your unit for having been commended on your last Annual General Inspection.
2. It is a privilege and an honor to receive a commendation of this magnitude. The efforts expended by you, your unit technicians, and all of your unit personnel are most evident when recognition such as this is given. High unit standards and unequalled expectations of your unit will always result in a superior unit.
3. I appreciate your work and encourage you to continue to excel.

1 Incl  
1. Commendation

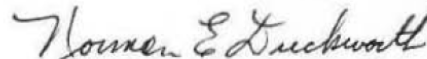
  
NORMAN E DUCKWORTH  
COL, FA, OKARNG  
Commanding

Figure 22.





## *Citation of Appreciation*

**Battery A**

**First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery (MLRS)**

**Lawton, Oklahoma**

Whereas, Battery A, First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery (MLRS), Oklahoma Army National Guard was mobilized during the Persian Gulf Crisis; and

Whereas, the personal and collective sacrifices of these assigned citizen-soldiers, coupled with their acts of bravery, made a substantial contribution to the resounding success of OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD and DESERT STORM; and

Whereas, Battery A, First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery (MLRS) executed its assigned mission in the Persian Gulf valiantly and professionally, and in a manner worthy of emulation; and

Whereas, the Oklahoma State Senate, acting on behalf of the citizens of the state, wishes to extend its gratitude and appreciation to Battery A and all other dedicated men and women in the Armed Forces.

Now, therefore, pursuant to the motion of Senator Roy B. Hooper and Senator Paul A. Taliaferro the Senate of the State of Oklahoma extends to

**Battery A**

**First Battalion, 158th Field Artillery (MLRS)**

**Oklahoma Army National Guard**

its sincere congratulations and directs that this Citation be presented.



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*President Pro Tempore*

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*Senator Roy B. Hooper*

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*Senator Paul A. Taliaferro*

Figure 23.

Office of the Mayor  
City of Lawton  
Lawton, Oklahoma



Don E. Whitaker  
Mayor

### OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the National Guard has long been established in Lawton and is a force trained and equipped to respond to Lawton's needs in a civil disaster; and

WHEREAS, the National Guard has always demonstrated a willingness to assist civic clubs in any way possible to raise money for charitable causes and the Guard programs are also community oriented; and

WHEREAS, the National Guard is a significant contributor to the economic welfare of Lawton; and

WHEREAS, the National Guard now comprises 47% of the U. S. Army's combat power directly affecting our Nation's security; and

WHEREAS, National Guard training offers training in marketable skills to the economically disadvantaged and offers leadership training to the youth,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Don E. Whitaker, Mayor of the City of Lawton, Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim the week of September 24 through 30, 1972, as:

#### NATIONAL GUARD WEEK

and urge all citizens to pay tribute and honor to all Guardsmen, not only during this period but throughout the entire year.



*Don E. Whitaker*  
DON E. WHITAKER  
Mayor

DONE AT CITY HALL, this 18th day of September, 1972.

4-480-822

Figure 24.

## **DISTINCTIVE UNIT INSIGNIA**

The 158th Field Artillery has a regimental and a battalion distinctive unit insignia. The regimental distinctive unit insignia was adopted by the War Department in April 1933 (See Figure 25.) and approved for wear in July 1933. (See Figure 26 thru 27.) The adopted insignia for the 158th Field Artillery Regiment was a white Indian quiver with gold fringe. Three arrows protruded from the top of the quiver representing the three states of Oklahoma, Arizona, and New Mexico, in which units of the regiment were located. The three States were further represented in the insignia by symbols placed on the quiver. The top one (avanyu and or awanyu) representing Arizona was an Indian good luck symbol, the middle one (setting sun) representing New Mexico was the setting sun, and the third representing Oklahoma was a star (mullet voided). This design was also submitted as the official Coat of Arms, along with the unit motto of: "VIRTUTE OMNIBUS PRAESTARE", or "To excel all in respect to courage and valor".

When the Division was triangularized in 1942 during World War II, the 158th Field Artillery Regiment became a battalion and on 14 January 1952 the distinctive unit insignia was approved for the 158th Field Artillery Battalion. (See Figure 28 thru 30.)

It was redesignated for the 158th Artillery Regiment on 2 November 1960 by the Quarter Master General, Colonel John D. Martz (See Page 65.) The insignia was redesignated for the 158th Field Artillery Regiment on 19 July 1972. It was a gold color metal and enamel device 1 1/4 inches in height consisting of the shield, crest and motto of the coat of arms. The dominant colors, red and yellow, are for Artillery. The broad arrow—a large missile thrown by machine—was an early version of artillery. The three broad arrowheads represent the recognition awarded the organization for service in Sicily, Naples and Southern France. The green wedge symbolizes mountainous Italy, and the Fleur de Lis is for French and Central European service. The Motto: "UNUSUAL EFFORTS EXPENDED".



## **EXHIBITS**

QM 424 S-GE 158th Field Artillery 15th Ind.  
War Department, CQMG, Washington, April 26, 1933 - To The Adjutant General.

1. In view of preceding indorsements, it is recommended no action be taken at this time toward approving a regimental coat of arms for the 158th Field Artillery. If at a later date the organization requests approval of a coat of arms and it is still allocated to the three states the quiver should not appear on the regimental coat of arms, due to the fact that the crests of the three states would indicate the allocation of the organization.

2. The motto submitted - Virtute omnibus praestare (To excel all in respect to valor) - has not been approved for any other organization, and is therefore reserved for the 158th Field Artillery.

3. It is recommended that the following distinctive insignia for the 158th Field Artillery, Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Arizona National Guard, under the provisions of paragraph 48, AR 600-40, June 22, 1931, be approved:

BADGE: An Indian quiver argent fringed and with three arrows or, the quiver marked with an avanyu azure, a setting sun gules, and a mullet of the third voided.

The badge will be manufactured in bright metal and enamel in one size, as the organization may select, but not in excess of 1-1/4 inches in height.

TO BE WORN:

By officers: On the service uniform on the upper portion of the shoulder loops of coat; on the front of the service hat midway between band and crease.

On olive drab shirt on the upper portion of the shoulder loops.

On white uniform same as on service coat.

On mess jacket on both lapels above line of miniature medals.

By enlisted personnel: On the service uniform on both sides of the collar; on standing collar, 3/4 of an inch in rear of the service insignia; on lapel collar coat, on the lapel, upper edge of insignia 3/4 inch below notch of lapel on the prolongation of a vertical line through the center of button insignia; on the front of the service hat midway between band and crease.

4. The design of the distinctive insignia and the method of wearing are in accord with the established policy.

5. It is requested that copies of the approval be sent to the Chief of Field Artillery and The Quartermaster General and that a copy be filed for eventual publication.

6. It is also requested that the organization commander, through the Chief of the Militia Bureau, be notified of the approval and that he be instructed to submit two manufacturer's samples to the War Department for approval before supplying the organization with the finished product.

7. The enclosed manufacturer's drawing is in conformity with the above blazon and description.

For The Quartermaster General:

JOHN R. HOLT,  
Captain, Q. M. G.,  
Assistant.

4 Incls.

Figure 25.

CGW/IG

A.G. 421.7 158th F.A.  
(7-11-33) Misc.

July 20, 1933.

Badge for the 158th Field Artillery,  
Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona N.G.

The Quartermaster General.

The badge herewith for the 158th Field Artillery, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona National Guard, under the provisions of paragraph 43, AR 600-10, June 22, 1931, is approved for wear.

By order of the Secretary of War:

Wm. F. Pearson  
Adjutant General.

1 Incl.



421-158th F.A. CGW

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Figure 26.

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Samples of Distinctive  
Insignia for:

*158 Field Artillery Br.*

Approved:

*20 July 33*

Manufactured by:

*AH Daniels*

Figure 27.



Figure 28.

CREST: That for the Oklahoma National Guard.

MOTTO: Unusual Efforts Expended.



COAT OF ARMS FOR STANDARD OF  
158<sup>TH</sup> FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION  
FULL SIZE

REFERENCE: Q.M. DRAWING No. 56-1743

Figure 29.



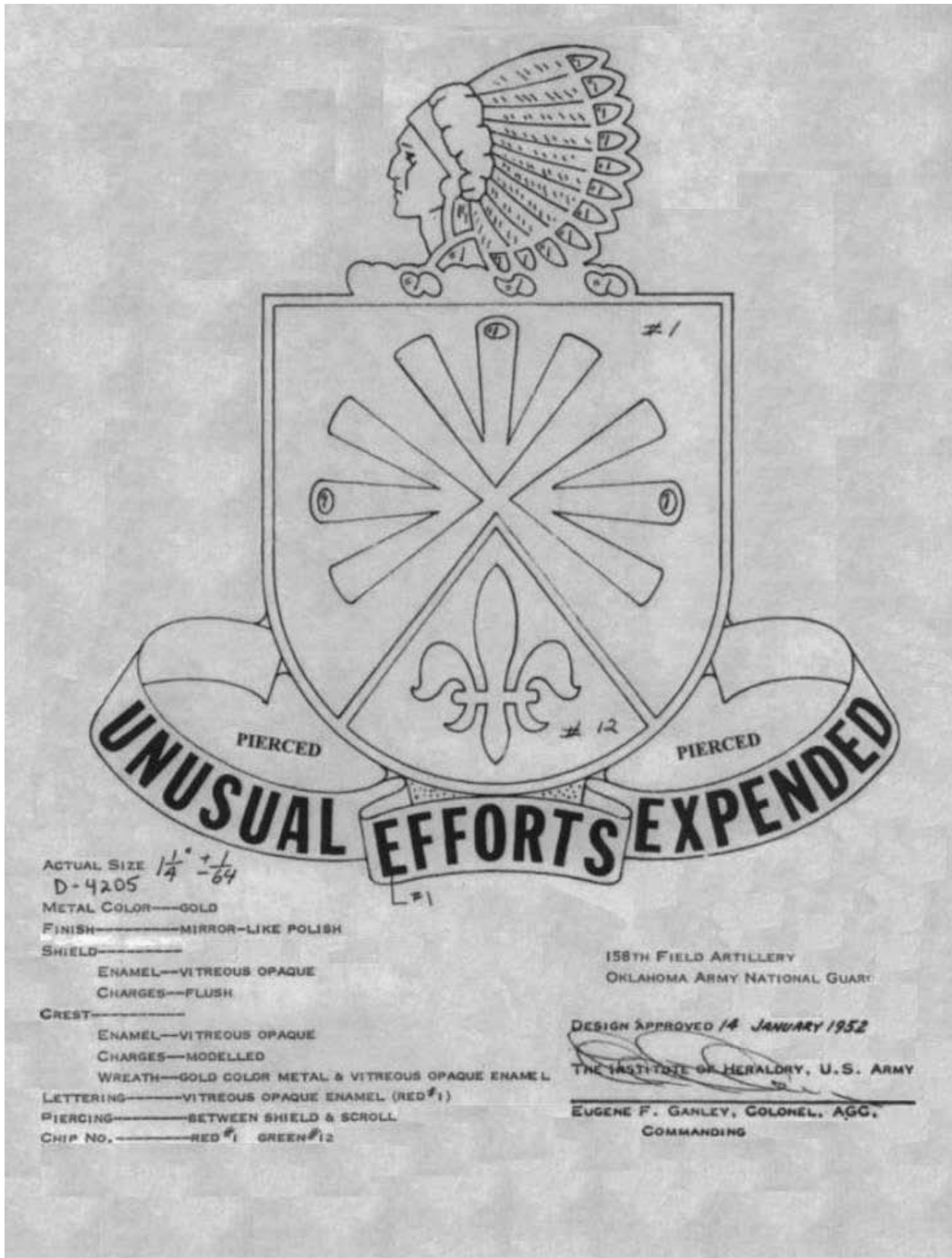


Figure 30.

**QMIH 424.2 & 421.4  
158th ARTY, Okla NG**

2 November 1960

**SUBJECT:** Coat of Arms and Distinctive Insignia for the 158th Artillery,  
Oklahoma National Guard

**TO:** Chief, National Guard Bureau  
Washington 25, D. C.

1. The coat of arms redesignated this date for the 158th Artillery, Oklahoma National Guard was originally approved for the 158th Field Artillery Battalion, Oklahoma National Guard by letter QMGMB 424.2 & 421.4, 158th FA Bn, Okla NG, Office of the Quartermaster General, 14 January 1952.

2. The blazonry and description are as follows:

**BLAZONRY**

**SHIELD:** Per chevron debased gules and vert, three broad arrows one and two, points meeting at apex of partition line or, in base a fluer-de-lis of the like.

**CREST:** That for the regiments and separate battalions of the Oklahoma National Guard: On a wreath of the colors (or and gules) an Indian's head with war bonnet all proper.

**MOTTO:** Unusual Efforts Expended.

**DESCRIPTION**

The dominant colors, red and yellow, are for Artillery. The broad arrow; a large missile thrown by machine; was an early version of artillery. The three broad arrowheads represent the recognition awarded the organization for service in Sicily, Naples, and Southern France. The green wedge symbolizes mountainous Italy, and the fleur-de-lis is for French and Central Europe service.

3. A Photostat of the coat of arms as shown on the organizational color is enclosed.

4. The distinctive insignia redesignated this date for the 158th Artillery, Oklahoma National Guard was originally approved for the 158th Field Artillery Battalion, Oklahoma National Guard by letter QMGMB 424.2 & 421.4, 158th FA Bn, Okla NG, Office of the Quartermaster General, 14 January 1952.

5. The distinctive insignia (metal type for wear on the shoulder loops) is the shield, crest and motto of the coat of arms for this organization which are described in paragraph 2.

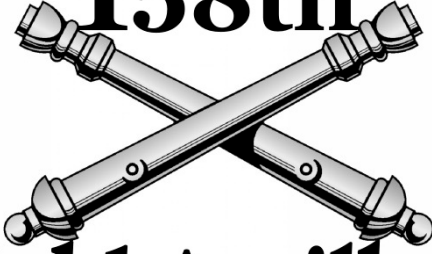
**TO BE WORN:** As prescribed by current regulations.

6. Records indicate the samples of distinctive insignia were approved for the 158th Field Artillery Battalion, Oklahoma National Guard by 4th Indorsement QMGIH 421.4, 158th FA Bn, Okla NG, Office of The Quartermaster General, 5 December 1952; but the insignia were manufactured by a foreign firm. In accordance with current Department of the Army policy, insignia are to be manufactured by certified United States manufacturers. A painting of the insignia with a list of certified manufacturers will be furnished upon request, if the manufacture of this insignia is contemplated.

7. This redesignation is in accordance with letter, NG-AROTO 325.4-Oklahoma, Office of the National Guard Bureau, subject: Reorganization of the Army National Guard 1958-60, dated 21 April 1959, and letter, QMGRE-H 424.2 & 421.4 C/A Regts of CARS, Okla NG, Office of The Quartermaster General, subject: Coat of Arms for Regiments of Combat Arms Regimental Systems, Oklahoma National Guard, dated 20 April 1960, with 7th Indorsement from the Adjutant General of the State of Oklahoma, dated 13 July 1960.

1 Incl  
Photo C/A

JOHN D. MARTZ, Jr.  
Colonel, QMG  
Commanding



**158th**  
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