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I. DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL. 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, the Distinguished Service Medal for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility is awarded to:

Major General *John A. Barclay*, , United States Army. May 1956 to June 1961.

Major General *Edward G. Farrand*, , United States Army. August 1945 to June 1961.

Major General *Frederick W. Gibb*, , United States Army. July 1950 to June 1961.

Lieutenant General *Emerson C. Itchner*, , United States Army. April 1952 to March 1961.

Major General *John G. Van Houten*, , United States Army. August 1951 to June 1961.

Major General *Thomas M. Watlington*, , United States Army. August 1953 to June 1961.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, the Distinguished Service Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility is awarded to:

Lieutenant General *Thomas L. Harrold*, , United States Army. October 1954 to June 1961.

Major General *Armistead D. Mead*, , United States Army. November 1951 to June 1961.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, the Distinguished Service Medal (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility is awarded to:

General *Carter B. Magruder*, , United States Army. November 1945 to June 1961.

II. LEGION OF MERIT. 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Colonel *Ruby F. Bryant*, , Army Nurse Corps, United States Army. August 1951 to June 1961.

Major General *James Dreyfus*, , United States Army. August 1951 to June 1961.

Lieutenant Colonel *Jerome B. Feldt*, , Artillery, United States Army. 14 to 31 July 1960.

Colonel *Joel M. Hollis*, , Infantry, United States Army. July 1959 to May 1961.

Chaplain (Lieutenant Colonel) *John B. Rettagliata*, , Chaplains, United States Army. October 1955 to June 1961. (This award supercedes the previous award of the Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service during the period October 1955 to June 1961 as announced in General Orders Number 64, Headquarters, United States Army Southern European Task Force, dated 17 May 1961.)

Brigadier General *Marion W. Schewe*, , United States Army. August 1951 to June 1961.

Brigadier General *Henry R. Sydenham*, O18654, Dental Corps, United States Army. November 1954 to June 1961.

Colonel *Norman E. Tipton*, , Infantry, United States Army. August 1958 to June 1961.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Major General *C. Stanton Babcock*, , United States Army. January 1954 to June 1961.

Colonel *Boyd W. Bartlett*, , United States Army. September 1945 to June 1961.

Colonel *Ray J. Coe*, , Transportation Corps, United States Army. June 1953 to June 1961.

Major General *John S. Guthrie*, , United States Army. January 1952 to June 1961.

Brigadier General *Richard H. Harrison*, , United States Army. October 1950 to June 1961.

Colonel *Oliver G. Kinney*, , Infantry, United States Army. June 1951 to June 1961.

Brigadier General *Miller O. Perry*, , United States Army. November 1950 to June 1961.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Brigadier General *John A. Berry*, , United States Army. June 1952 to June 1961.

Colonel *Joseph G. Oocke*, , Medical Corps, United States Army. June 1954 to June 1961.

Colonel *Arthur P. Long*, , Medical Corps, United States Army. January 1952 to June 1961.

Brigadier General *John B. Sullivan*, , United States Army. June 1954 to June 1961.

4. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (Third Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Brigadier General *William L. Hardick*, , United States Army. December 1953 to June 1961.

Major General *Ralph M. Osborne*, , United States Army. December 1959 to May 1961.

III. LEGION OF MERIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10000, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (Degree of Legionnaire) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Major *Marlo Carballo Pazos*, Mexican Army. July 1959 to June 1961.

IV. DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress 2 July 1920, a Distinguished Flying Cross for heroism while participating in aerial flight is awarded to:

Captain *James R. Sanders*, , Artillery, United States Army, a member of the 8th Aviation Company (Infantry Division), distinguished himself by heroism while participating in aerial flights during the period 15 to 23 July 1960. As a pilot in the Seventh Army Aviation Detachment (Provisional), in support of United Nations operations in the Republic of the Congo, Captain *Sanders* made daily flights into remote areas and evacuated refugees whose lives and safety were seriously threatened by lawless elements. His personal ingenuity, resourceful leadership, and outstanding technical skill were fully displayed by the many flights which he made over hazardous terrain with virtually no navigational aids other than relatively inaccurate road maps. Oftentimes completely ignoring dangerous fatigue, he flew many hours in excess of the flying-time limitations considered essential to safety. On 19 July 1960, Captain *Sanders* was assigned the mission of locating a downed Belgian aircraft and its pilot. He proceeded approximately 100 miles into hostile territory to the general area where the aircraft had fallen and, even though he was fired on upon arrival by hostile elements armed with automatic weapons and small arms, he displayed complete disregard for his own personal safety, and courageously continued the search. Despite the fact that the helicopter which he piloted had sustained eight hits, Captain *Sanders* terminated his efforts to locate the downed Belgian pilot only when forced by a critically low supply of fuel. Throughout this period he landed his aircraft at more than 12 different sites in the Matadi-Thysville area, frequently in the face of hostile elements on the ground. He was directly responsible for the rescue of approximately 40 persons. Captain *Sanders'* heroic actions under extremely hazardous conditions are in keeping with the most cherished traditions of the United States Army, and reflects distinct credit upon himself and the military service.

V. BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944, a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States is awarded to:

Staff Sergeant *Joe M. Olmos*, (then Private First Class), United States Army. 23 to 26 January 1945.

VI. BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944, a Bronze Star Medal with "V" device (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States is awarded to:

Major *James N. Epps*, OADR28 (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army, distinguished himself by heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an armed enemy during the period 19 to 21 September 1944. As Machinegun Platoon Leader, Company A, 508th Parachute Infantry, Major *Epps* led his platoon in an attack on a strategic point in Teufelsberg, Germany, in an effort to seize the high ground overlooking the flat land of the

Waal River and the Nymegen-Wyler Highway. As Company A approached the hill from the south, the advance was stopped by enemy rifle and machinegun fire. The troops took cover immediately and, after becoming reluctant in moving forward, was gripped with fear of the enemy concealed in the dense foliage. Without hesitation or concern for his own personal safety, Major *Epps* moved out into the open and ran to a small knoll where, after exposing himself to dangerous enemy fire, he placed two machineguns in action. He fired several bursts of fire, commanded his guns out of action, quickly jumped out front again, and yelled to the men in an effort to inspire them to follow him down the ridge line. He continued to lead the attack across the hill until he was knocked down by an enemy concussion grenade. Promptly recovering himself, Major *Epps* resumed his charge across the ridge in an attempt to place machineguns in position to deliver followup fire on the fleeing enemy. Immediately after the fire fight, he placed five light machineguns for all-around defense, and dispatched four men to the battalion distribution point for an additional supply of ammunition to defend this critical position. During the following 2 days, Major *Epps*' post was under constant enemy attack, and his courageous efforts and keen strategy enabled him to meet each enemy action with a strong counter-attack. Despite the fact that the position was regularly swept by enemy small arms fire, he moved back and forth across the hill, coordinating machinegun fire and maintaining a solid defense effort. The outstanding heroism displayed by Major *Epps* under severe battle conditions is in the most cherished traditions of the United States Army, and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service.

VII. AIR MEDAL. 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942, as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942, an Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight is awarded by the Department of the Army to:

- Captain *Robert C. Ayers*, , Armor, United States Army. 15 to 23 July 1960.
- Captain *Robert D. Bayne*, , Transportation Corps, United States Army. 18 to 23 July 1960.
- Captain *Gerald A. Briscoe*, (then First Lieutenant), Transportation Corps, United States Army. 15 to 23 July 1960.
- Major *Arthur A. Christiansen*, (then Captain), Infantry, United States Army. 18 to 23 July 1960.
- First Lieutenant *George S. Crawford*, , Infantry, United States Army. 15 to 23 July 1960.
- Captain *Garland B. King, Jr.*, , Signal Corps, United States Army. 18 to 23 July 1960.
- Captain *Glenn E. Miller*, (then First Lieutenant), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. 15 to 23 July 1960.
- Captain *Albert W. Noel*, , Artillery, United States Army. 18 to 23 July 1960.
- First Lieutenant *Geoff J. Ramsey*, , Infantry, United States Army. 18 to 23 July 1960.
- Captain *James E. Rogers*, , Artillery, United States Army. 18 to 23 July 1960.
- Master Sergeant *James E. Ruble*, (then Sergeant First Class), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. September 1950 to January 1951.

First Lieutenant *Herbert G. Thompson, Jr.*, , Transportation Corps, United States Army. 18 to 23 July 1900.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942, as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942, an Air Medal (Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight is awarded by the Department of the Army to:

Captain *John Campbell, Jr.*, , Artillery, United States Army. 18 to 28 July 1900.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942, as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942, an Air Medal (Third Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight is awarded by the Department of the Army to:

Major *William A. Bearden*, , (then Captain), Infantry, United States Army. 15 to 23 July 1900.

VIII. ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL. 1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 13, AR 672 5-1, the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service is awarded to:

Captain *George W. Bulley*, , Signal Corps (then First Lieutenant, Infantry), United States Army. 12 June to 18 August 1958.

Lieutenant Colonel *Donald A. Bartoni*, , Infantry, United States Army. August 1957 to June 1961.

Lieutenant Colonel *Stephen J. Beaudry*, , Inspector General (Medical Service Corps), United States Army. September 1956 to July 1960.

Chief Warrant Officer, W-4, *Clement J. Childress*, , United States Army. October 1959 to May 1961.

Specialist Six *James L. Curtle*, , Signal Corps, United States Army. March 1959 to May 1961.

Warrant Officer *Charles S. Dezo*, , (then Master Sergeant, RA314625849), United States Army. October 1959 to March 1961.

Lieutenant Colonel *Henry B. Duke*, , Inspector General (Infantry), United States Army. September 1956 to August 1960.

Captain *Marcellus C. Hughes*, , Armor, United States Army. August 1958 to June 1961.

Sergeant *James W. Latham*, , United States Army. March 1957 to February 1959.

Sergeant First Class *Alton A. Lever*, , United States Army. March 1956 to July 1957.

Major *James G. McFadden*, , Infantry, United States Army. March 1957 to July 1960.

Lieutenant Colonel *Joseph A. Ogle*, , Artillery, United States Army. November 1957 to June 1961.

Lieutenant Colonel *John M. Parish*, , Army Intelligence (Infantry), United States Army. July 1957 to June 1961.

Lieutenant Colonel *Carl R. Ratz*, , (General Staff (Finance Corps), United States Army. March 1958 to June 1961.

Lieutenant Colonel *James M. Vandever*, , Ordnance Corps, United States Army. May 1958 to June 1961.

2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 13, AR 672 5-1, the Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:

- Colonel *Keith B. Banks*, , Artillery, United States Army. September 1958 to June 1961.
- Lieutenant Colonel *George Betts*, , Inspector General (Artillery), United States Army. August 1957 to August 1960.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Robert W. Burns*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. May 1957 to May 1961.
- Colonel *Lavonne E. Cox*, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army. June 1957 to June 1961.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Ray Floyd*, , (then Chief Warrant Officer), United States Army. February 1960 to May 1961.
- Lieutenant Colonel *George B. Jordan*, , Infantry, United States Army. February 1958 to May 1961.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Sammy E. Radow*, , General staff (Infantry), United States Army. October 1960 to June 1961.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Michael A. Zehala*, , Adjutant General's Corps, United States Army. September 1955 to June 1961.

3. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:

Colonel *Philip L. Hooper*, , Infantry, United States Army. July 1959 to May 1961.

Lieutenant Colonel *William D. Sydnor, Jr.*, , Artillery, United States Army. January 1960 to June 1961.

4. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious achievement is awarded to:

Specialist Four *Leonard P. Smit*, (then Private First Class), Army Medical Service, United States Army. 16 February 1961.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

G. H. DECKER,
General, United States Army,
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