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**I. DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL.** 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 *Lcander L. Doan*, United States Army. October 1951 to November 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 *Marcellus R. Kunitz*, Signal Corps, United States Army.  
August 1951 to November 1961. (This award supersedes award of the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service from July 1956 to April 1958, as announced in General Orders Number 35, Headquarters United States European Command, dated 2 May 1958.)"

Colonel *Thomas A. Ward*, Veterinary Corps, United States Army.  
October 1951 to November 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 *John F. Bohlender*, Medical Corps, United States Army. July 1952 to November 1961.

Colonel *William A. Davis, Jr.*, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. July 1952 to November 1961.

award of the Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service from 12 January 1956 to 8 August 1957 as announced in General Orders No. 11, Hq, DA, Office of the Chief of Engineers, dated 2 May 1958.)

Brigadier General *Harold H. Shaller*, United States Army.  
September 1950 to December 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:

Colonel *John A. Isherwood*, Medical Corps, United States Army.  
February 1948 to November 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 (Degree of Commander) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

General *Louis J. A. Le Puloch*, French Army. June 1960 to April 1961.

5. 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 (Degree of Officer) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Brigadier General *Gustavo Larrea Bedregal*, Bolivian Army. March 1960 to July 1961.

**III. SOLDIER'S MEDAL.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 2 July 1926, a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded to:

Sergeant First Class *Frank X. Sammis, Jr.*, Artillery, United States Army, a member of Headquarters and Training Company, 1st Battle Group, 1st Infantry, United States Military Academy, distinguished himself by heroism on 8 September 1961, near West Point, New York. Sergeant *Sammis* was performing duty as jumpmaster for competitive parachutists. The reserve ripcord on the parachute of a member moving into jump position was accidentally released, and the man was in immediate danger of being dragged out of the plane in an uncontrolled manner by the powerful draft from the open aircraft door. Quickly realizing this precarious situation and acting without regard for his own personal safety, Sergeant *Sammis* lunged at the open parachute in an attempt to hold it, but the strong wind pulled it through the door. Exposing himself to the possibility of falling out of the airplane, Sergeant *Sammis* exerted every possible effort to push the man free of the aircraft door. The deploying parachute was instantly filled by the forceful wind, and the man was thrown against the metal door jamb and dragged out of the doorway; severely crushing Sergeant *Sammis*' right arm in the process. The unselfish courage and heroic actions displayed by Sergeant *Sammis* in this sudden emergency are in the most cherished traditions of the United States Army, and reflect the utmost credit upon himself and the military service.

**IV. ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL.** 1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 38, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service is awarded to:

Chaplain (Lieutenant Colonel) *Joseph R. Andrews*, United States Army. July 1957 to September 1961.

Lieutenant Colonel *William B. Anglin*, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. September 1958 to August 1961.

Colonel *Andrew D. Chaffin, Jr.*, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. July 1958 to October 1961.

Specialist Four *Domino F. Clemente*, Artillery, United States Army. March to August 1961.

Lieutenant Colonel *Robert L. Hilly*, General Staff (Infantry), United States Army. September 1958 to August 1961.

Lieutenant Colonel *Mwinn R. Prather*, Veterinary Corps, United States Army. October 1958 to August 1961.

Colonel *Jackson B. Shirley*, Armor, United States Army. August 1958 to August 1961.

Major *John J. Wren*, Artillery, United States Army. September 1960 to November 1961.

2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 38, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:

Major *Joseph P. Berg, Jr.*, Chemical Corps, United States Army. August 1959 to August 1961.

Colonel *Francis R. Blankenship*, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. August 1960 to June 1961.

Major *Enrique Frontera*, Finance Corps, United States Army. June 1959 to August 1961.

Colonel *Terrence R. J. Hickey*, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. July 1958 to July 1961.

Colonel *Lindley A. Pennypacker*, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. September 1958 to April 1961.

Colonel *Harold W. Sax*, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. October 1958 to July 1961.

3. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious achievement is awarded to:

Specialist Five *Howard D. Dailey*, Transportation Corps, United States Army. 7 August 1961.

Master Sergeant *George P. Ferreira*, United States Army. 20 June 1961.

Private *Wendell B. Morrow*, Artillery, United States Army. 7 August 1961.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY :

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