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**I. DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Distinguished-Service Cross for extraordinary heroism in action against an enemy during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Major General *Joseph M. Swing*, United States Army, exhibited extraordinary heroism in action against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 15 to 17 April 1945. As Commanding General, 11th Airborne Division, General *Swing* displayed superior tactical knowledge and inspiring leadership while personally leading repeated attacks against the strong Japanese defense position at Mt. Macolod, Batangas, Luzon. He flew many dangerous flights in liaison airplanes at low altitudes over the heavily defended ridges in order to make a thorough estimate of the enemy positions and of the terrain. Despite the protest of subordinates, he personally, and on foot, led tank destroyers forward through intense enemy machine-gun and mortar fire to place them in more advantageous positions, and directed their fire so effectively that the enemy-held ridge was taken without further delay. He then moved to the south flank where he found the front lines stalemated and weapons unmanned because of heavy enemy fire. With heroic disregard for his personal safety, General *Swing* strode fearlessly between tanks and machine guns, calling upon his troops to man their weapons and attack. Inspired by his fearlessness and heroic action, the troops attacked, silenced the Japanese fire, and seized and held the main enemy positions. Through his inspiring courage and vallant leadership, General *Swing* made a distinguished contribution to the liberation of the Philippine Islands.

**II. DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE MEDAL.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Distinguished-Service Medal for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Colonel *George W. Rice*, Medical Corps, United States Army, January 1942 to September 1944.

Rear Admiral *Arthur D. Struble*, United States Navy. 30 August to 17 November 1944.

Colonel *Herbert D. Vogel*, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, January 1944 to September 1945. (This award supersedes the awards of the Legion of Merit, for service from 15 November 1944 to 12 February 1945, and a Bronze Star Medal, for service from 16 June to 24 October 1944, to Colonel *Vogel*, as published in General Orders 117, Headquarters United States Army Forces, Far East, 15 May 1945, and General Orders 17, Headquarters New Guinea Base Section, 1945, respectively. Par. 7, sec. VII, WD General

Orders 66, 1946, pertaining to the award of the Legion of Merit (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) to Colonel *Vogel*, for service from January to June 1944 and February to September 1945, is rescinded.)

**III. SILVER STAR.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), a Silver Star for gallantry in action during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant *Wesley P. Ray* (Army serial No. ), Air Corps, United States Army, a member of Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, Far East Air Force, on 1 April 1942, displayed gallantry in action at Agaloma Bay, Bataan, Philippine Islands. While under heavy enemy machine-gun and rifle fire, he saw two wounded men in the area between the fighting lines. Without regard for his own safety, and moving under the continuing, heavy enemy fire, he immediately went to the stricken men and carried them to a place of safety. Sergeant *Ray's* courage and fearless devotion to his comrades are in keeping with highest traditions of the military service.

**IV. LEGION OF MERIT.**—1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Colonel *William H. Allen*, , Medical Corps, United States Army. December 1940 to October 1945.

Colonel *Fred E. Gaillard*, , Infantry, United States Army. March 1943 to October 1945. (This award supersedes the award of a Bronze Star Medal to Colonel *Gaillard*, for service from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945, as published in General Orders 48, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, 26 February 1945.)

Colonel *Joseph B. Hafer*, , Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. September 1944 to May 1945. (This award supersedes the award of a Bronze Star Medal to Colonel *Hafer*, for service from 28 September 1944 to 20 February 1945, as published in General Orders 18, Headquarters VI Corps, 12 March 1945.)

Colonel *Robert H. Kennedy*, , Medical Corps, Army of the United States. January 1945 to January 1946. (This award supersedes the award of the Army Commendation Ribbon to Colonel *Kennedy* for service from 31 January to September 1945.)

Captain *Filemon S. Lagman*, (then major), Adjutant General Service, Philippine Army. December 1942 to November 1945. (This award supersedes the awards of a Bronze Star Medal, for service from 20 June to 5 August 1944, and a Bronze Star Medal (first Oak-Leaf Cluster), for service from 28 to 30 June 1943, to Captain *Lagman*, as published in General Orders 89, Headquarters Eighth Army, 4 August 1945, and General Orders 108, Headquarters X Corps, 14 August 1945, respectively.)

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstand-

ing service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Colonel *Morgan C. Berry*, , Medical Corps, United States Army. October 1943 to January 1945.

Colonel *William F. Campbell*, , Air Corps (Quartermaster Corps), United States Army. March 1945 to June 1947.

Lieutenant Colonel *R. McDonald Gray*, (then colonel), General Staff Corps (Judge Advocate General's Department), United States Army. July 1945 to July 1947.

Major General *Frank A. Keating*, , United States Army. May 1940 to September 1947.

Colonel *Floyd V. Kilgore*, , Medical Corps, United States Army. December 1944 to October 1946. (This award supersedes the award of the Army Commendation Ribbon to Colonel *Kilgore* for service from December 1944 to March 1946.)

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit (second Oak-Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel *Rufus S. Ramey*, (then brigadier general), Cavalry, United States Army. 12 June to 13 August 1944.

V. **LEGION OF MERIT**.—1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit, in the Degree of Commander, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Major General *Bertram Meryl Hoffmeister*, Canadian Army. 1 September 1944 to 31 January 1945.

General de Division *Abelardo Rodriguez Lujan*, Mexican Army. June 1942 to September 1945.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit, in the Degree of Officer, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Colonel *C. W. Daborn*, British Army. July 1940 to July 1945.

Colonel *Charles Howard Ellis*, British Army. August 1941 to May 1945.

Lieutenant General *J. F. Everts*, British Army. April to November 1943.

Wing Commander *Edward A. Howell*, Royal Air Force. January 1943 to May 1945.

Brigadier *John S. Nichols*, British Army. 19 March and 30 June 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *Percy Alfred Warren*, British Army. September 1944 to May 1945.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit, in the Degree

of Legionnaire, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Major *Harry S. Wood*, British Army. October 1943 to January 1944.

**VI. SOLDIER'S MEDAL.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (WD Bul. 8, 1926), the Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named enlisted man:

Sergeant *Lawrence N. Ashley* (Army serial No. ), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, displayed heroism and voluntary risk of life at Yong Dung Po, Korea, on 25 May 1947. When a gasoline truck, which was transferring gasoline to an air compressor, burst into flames, there was extreme danger of igniting high explosives stored nearby, as well as endangering military personnel and Korean laborers in the immediate vicinity. Sergeant *Ashley* immediately climbed into the vehicle and courageously backed it down a steep slope into the Han River until it was completely submerged and the flames extinguished, then swam to shore. Through his quick thinking, heroic action, and complete disregard for personal safety, Sergeant *Ashley* upheld the finest traditions of the military service.

**VII. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named officer:

Captain *Walter J. Huchthausen*, , Air Corps, Army of the United States. 2 April 1943.

**VIII. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named enlisted man:

Private *John H. Gresh, Jr.* (Army serial No. ), Infantry, Army of the United States, a member of Company C, 401st Glider Infantry, distinguished himself by heroic achievement near Bastogne, Belgium, on 23 December 1944. When a strong enemy attack was launched against the left flank of the company, forcing it to withdraw, he and three of his comrades remained in position in face of the attack. Despite heavy tank and small-arms fire, Private *Gresh* maintained his hazardous position, killing several of the enemy as they attempted to close in. Later, when the attack was renewed, again delivering accurate rifle fire, he accounted for several more of the enemy. Under cover of darkness, Private *Gresh* and his comrades were able to withdraw to the new company position. By his heroic action, Private *Gresh* upheld the highest traditions of the military service.

**IX. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.**—1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers and enlisted men:

Captain *Jacques Berr*, French Army. September 1944 to June 1945.

Major *Robert E. Conn, Jr.*, (then captain), Infantry, Army of the United States. April 1942 to September 1945.

Captain *Giuseppe Cornetto*, Italian Army. September 1943 to June 1944.  
 Captain *Bernard R. S. Dalton*, British Army. December 1943 to June 1944.  
 Technical Sergeant *J. N. Doyle* (Army serial No. ) (then sergeant), Signal Corps, Army of the United States. April 1944 to June 1945.

Technician Fourth Grade *William T. Ferry* (Army serial No. ) (then technician fifth grade), Signal Corps, Army of the United States. June to September 1944.

Major *Arch C. Fleming*, (then captain), Air Corps, Army of the United States. March 1944 to August 1945.

Wing Officer *Margaret Forbes-Sempill*, British Armed Forces. 20 April 1943 to 30 November 1944.

Chaplain (major) *Francis G. Gunn*, (then captain), Corps of Chaplains, Army of the United States. August 1944 to September 1945.

Major *Ralph H. Hall*, , Transportation Corps, Army of the United States. January to August 1944.

Captain *Thomas Peter Hughes*, British Army. January 1944 to May 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *Henry Francis Jones*, British Army. September 1942 to May 1945.

Technician Fifth Grade *Charles W. Kcener* (Army serial No. ) (then private first class), Signal Corps, Army of the United States. September to December 1944.

Lieutenant Colonel *Robert B. MacLeod*, British Army. January 1944 to May 1945.

Major *W. D. Martineau*, British Army. 17 March 1943 to 1 March 1945.

Captain *James J. McKenna*, , Signal Corps, Army of the United States. December 1944 through April 1945.

Technical Sergeant *Norman P. Moran* (Army serial No. ), Field Artillery, Army of the United States. June 1944 to May 1945.

Major *F. J. Pan*, Czechoslovakian Army. September 1944 to May 1945.

Master Sergeant *Constantinos J. Pappandreou* (Army serial No. ). Transportation Corps (Infantry), Army of the United States. April 1943 to February 1944.

Lieutenant Colonel *Lee O. Rostenberg*, (then major), Field Artillery, United States Army. 8 September to 22 December 1944.

Major *William F. Vann*, (then captain), Corps of Military Police (Transportation Corps), Army of the United States. March 1944 to March 1945.

Captain *Paolo Verdun*, Italian Army. March 1944 to May 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *William G. Wright*, , (then major), Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States. March 1943 to February 1944.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Wing Commander *Jack L. E. Rees*, Royal Air Force. October 1943 to October 1944.

**X. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted man:

Corporal *William F. Bellon* (Army serial No. \_\_\_\_\_), Field Artillery, Army of the United States, a member of the 1125th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, on 29–30 December 1944, distinguished himself by heroic achievement near Forte de Marmi, Italy. Accompanying a patrol into enemy territory, where they encountered strong enemy resistance and withering fire which inflicted heavy casualties, he worked to reorganize elements of the patrol. Assisting a severely wounded officer, Corporal *Bellon* helped to lead the men from the precarious position through icy waters in enemy territory and through mine fields to the safety of friendly lines. Corporal *Bellon's* leadership and courage are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

Captain *Arnold J. Yoho*, (then first lieutenant), Cavalry, Army of the United States, while serving as motor officer of Company A, 14th Tank Battalion, displayed courageous and valorous actions on 6 May 1945. During an attack, his company was held up by German antitank guns and suffered many casualties. Lieutenant *Yoho*, realizing the situation and the danger to the wounded lying in the open, personally brought up a quarter-ton truck and evacuated the wounded and injured. His actions were an example of bravery to the troops and greatly bolstered their morale.

**XI. AIR MEDAL.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942 (WD Bul. 25, 1942), as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (WD Bul. 49, 1942), an Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Lieutenant (junior grade) *Willard D. Bevens*, \_\_\_\_\_, United States Naval Reserve. 20 to 31 May 1945.

Major *Fabrizio Cabrera*, Colombian Air Force. 18 August 1946.

Lieutenant *John H. Cooper*, \_\_\_\_\_, United States Naval Reserve. 20 to 31 May 1945.

Lieutenant *Richard D. Crombie*, \_\_\_\_\_, United States Naval Reserve. 29 to 31 May 1945.

Major *Cortez F. Enloe, Jr.*, \_\_\_\_\_, Medical Corps, Army of the United States. February to May 1944.

First Lieutenant *Ronald N. Eubanks*, \_\_\_\_\_, Air Corps, Army of the United States. February 1942 to May 1943.

Lieutenant Commander *Robert E. Huddleston*, \_\_\_\_\_, United States Navy. 29 to 31 May 1945.

Commander *Kenneth LeRoy Veth*, \_\_\_\_\_, United States Navy. 10 August 1944.

**XII. ARMY COMMENDATION RIBBON.**—1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 17.1, AR 600-45, the Army Commendation Ribbon for meritorious service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers, chief warrant officer, and enlisted men:

Master Sergeant *Robert M. Allen* (Army serial No. 17177437), Quarter-

- master Corps, Army of the United States. January 1946 to January 1947.
- Chief Warrant Officer *Leo J. Armatys*, Army of the United States. 7 December 1941 to 9 July 1944 and 9 May to 10 September 1945.
- Major *George J. Banigan*, Judge Advocate General's Department, Army of the United States. May 1945 to May 1947.
- Captain *Barkley Beidleman*, Medical Corps, Army of the United States. June 1946 to May 1947.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Jacob A. Blankenship*, (then colonel), United States Army. December 1941 to September 1943.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Louis Buttner*, Inspector General's Department, Army of the United States. December 1941 to March 1946.
- Colonel *Robert H. Charl*, Infantry, United States Army. October 1945 to July 1947.
- Colonel *Lloyd A. Cross*, Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States. June to September 1944.
- Captain *Howard A. Daniels*, Medical Administrative Corps, Army of the United States. July 1946 to May 1947.
- Major *John B. Donley*, Finance Department, Army of the United States. August 1945 to April 1947.
- Major *Lemuel C. Downs*, Field Artillery, United States Army. December 1944 to January 1946.
- Master Sergeant *Carl M. Faircloth* (Army serial No. ) (then chief warrant officer, ), Air Corps, United States Army. 8 May 1946.
- Colonel *J. Vincent Falisi*, Medical Corps, United States Army. March 1942 to January 1946.
- Major *José Fuentes*, Finance Department, Army of the United States. 7 December 1941 to March 1947.
- Sergeant *Benjamin V. Glick* (Army serial No. ), Air Corps, Army of the United States. 8 May 1946.
- Sergeant *Troy L. Gregg* (Army serial No. ), Infantry, United States Army. 16 April 1947.
- Captain *Arthur S. Hall*, (then first lieutenant), Air Corps, Army of the United States. January to March and June to September 1943.
- Major *Clarence S. Herring*, (then captain), Corps of Military Police, Army of the United States. 8 June to 16 November 1946.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Philip V. Holder*, Air Corps, Army of the United States. August 1945 to May 1947.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Wilbur M. Johnson*, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. January 1945 to May 1946.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Archibald W. Lyon*, Transportation Corps, United States Army. September 1945 to June 1947.
- Major *Simon Miller*, (then captain), Air Corps, Army of the United States. December 1945 to May 1946.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Jay C. Mulligan*, (then major), Air Corps, Army of the United States. November 1945 to April 1947.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Morris E. Milner*, Signal Corps, United States Army. 15 May to 24 November 1945.
- Master Sergeant *Campbell C. Mosier* (Army serial No. ), Air Corps, Army of the United States. December 1946 to September 1947.

First Lieutenant *Emil M. Moss*, , Medical Administrative Corps, Army of the United States. October 1946 to May 1947.

Captain *Gleon H. Newton*, , Corps of Military Police, Army of the United States. October 1946 to May 1947.

Captain *James A. O'Brien*, , Air Corps, Army of the United States. March 1946 to April 1947.

Sergeant *Lloyd J. Petersen* (Army serial No. ), Air Corps, Army of the United States. 8 May 1946.

Lieutenant Colonel *John D. P. Phillips*, , Field Artillery, United States Army. July 1945 to December 1946.

Colonel *John S. Sensenbrenner*, , General Staff Corps, Army of the United States. March 1946 to June 1947.

Captain *Douglas A. Spencer*, , United States Navy. July 1946 to July 1947.

Staff Sergeant *Hugh R. Thomas* (Army serial No. ), Infantry, United States Army. 20 April 1947.

Major *Julius Wadsworth*, , Military Intelligence, Army of the United States. June 1944 to September 1945.

Colonel *Harold F. Weidner*, (then lieutenant colonel), Air Corps, Army of the United States. June 1945 through April 1947.

Captain *William C. Whalin*, , Air Corps, Army of the United States. January 1946 to March 1947.

Major *Robert F. Wirsching*, , Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States. June 1942 to July 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *Robert B. Wood*, , Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States. November 1945 to December 1946.

Staff Sergeant *Louis M. Wright*, (Army serial No. ), Air Corps, Army of the United States. 26 January 1947.

2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 17.1, AR 600-45, the Army Commendation Ribbon (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Captain *Harry M. Vernon*, (then master sergeant), Adjutant General's Department, Army of the United States. December 1941 to July 1942.

Lieutenant Colonel *Earl J. Yates*, , Infantry, Army of the United States. April 1946 to January 1947.

**XXV. MEDAL OF HONOR.**—So much of section II, WD General Orders 63, 1946, pertaining to First Lieutenant *Charles P. Murray, Jr.*, United States Army, as reads " " is amended to read " "

**XIV. LEGION OF MERIT.**—Paragraph 5, section III, WD General Orders 65, 1947, pertaining to Lieutenant Colonel *George V. Hallman*, Quartermaster Corps, is amended by adding "(This award supersedes the award of a Bronze Star Medal to Lieutenant Colonel *Hallman*, for service from 31 January 1943 to 1 June 1945, as published in General Orders 352, Headquarters United States Army Forces, Pacific, 26 November 1945.)"

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

OFFICIAL:

EDWARD F. WITSELL  
Major General

The Adjutant General

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Chief of Staff, United States Army

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