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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 *Edward J. McGaw*, , United States Army. October 1947 to February 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 *Edward T. Williams*, , United States Army. February 1946 to February 1961.

**II..LEGION OF MERIT.** 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 posthumously, to:

Colonel *Donald P. Christensen*, , Armor, United States Army. March 1947 to January 1961.

**III..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:

Major General *Howard McC. Snyder*, , Medical Corps, United States Army. January 1951 to January 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:

Colonel *Wayne P. Litz*, , Signal Corps, United States Army. July 1951 to February 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 *Walker R. Goodrich*, , General Staff (Artillery), United States Army. July 1952 to February 1961.

**IV..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 (Degree of Commander) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

General *LO Lieh*, Army of the Republic of China. July 1959 to January 1961.

Lieutenant General *Alfred Zerbol*, Army of the Federal Republic of Germany. 1958 to September 1960.

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

Major General *Mian Hayaud Din*, Pakistan Army. June 1955 to September 1960.

**V..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 *Harry M. Almeida*, , United States Army, a member of the Heavy Mortar Battery, 1st Battle Group, 187th Infantry, distinguished himself by heroism on 11 February 1961 in Glennallen, Alaska. While engaged in a tactical move to the United States Army Alaska Maneuver Area for participation in Exercise WILLOW FREEZE, the interior of an M-84 armored carrier commanded by Sergeant *Almeida* became engulfed in flames. Immediately upon becoming aware of the fire, he climbed down and through the commander's seat into the back of the carrier, and assisted personnel in getting to safety. After pushing the last two men from the burning vehicle, Sergeant *Almeida* refused to leave and, although badly burned himself, he re-entered the flaming carrier in an effort to definitely insure that all personnel were evacuated. Sergeant *Almeida's* unselfish and heroic action in this sudden emergency is in the most cherished traditions of the United States Army, and reflects the utmost credit upon himself and the military service.

Sergeant *Jerry D. Brooks*, , Armor, United States Army, a member of Headquarters Company, 3d Medium Tank Battalion, 37th Armor, distinguished himself by heroism on 2 March 1960, at Conn Barracks, Schweinfurt, Germany. Upon observing a fire raging on a tank while it was being returned from the Battalion Miniature Tank Range, Sergeant *Brooks* promptly reported this information to the battalion fire department. After arriving first at the scene of the flaming tank, he discovered that the fire was spreading quickly from its source on a gasoline jettison drum to the rear deck and engine compartment, threatening to explode ammunition stored aboard. Without hesitation or concern for his own personal safety, Sergeant *Brooks* mounted the blazing rear deck of the tank. Using a fire axe, he severed the bands holding the burning drums of gasoline, reduced and isolated the fire, and saved the tank from total destruction. Sergeant *Brooks'* prompt, decisive actions and courageous efforts in the face of extreme danger prevented extensive damage to valuable government property. The unselfish heroism which he displayed in this sudden emergency is worthy of emulation, and reflects distinct credit upon himself and the military service. (This award supersedes so much of General Orders Number 108, Headquarters, Seventh Army, dated 28 December 1960, as pertains to the previous award of the Army Commendation Medal to Sergeant *Brooks* for an act of courage on 2 March 1960.)

**VI..BRONZE STAR MEDAL.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944, a Bronze Star Medal for

meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States is awarded to:

Major *Donald L. Birch*, , (then First Lieutenant), Ordnance Corps, United States Army. June 1944 to August 1945.

**VII--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:

Major *Jack S. Bailey*, , Inspector General (Artillery), United States Army. July 1956 to June 1960.

Lieutenant Colonel *Albert V. Brunt*, , Inspector General (Infantry), United States Army. September 1956 to July 1960.

Master Sergeant *Leslie A. Harmon*, , Signal Corps, United States Army. January 1958 to January 1961.

Lieutenant Colonel *Robert F. Higgins*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. December 1957 to December 1960.

Lieutenant Colonel *Richard T. Mathews*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. May 1957 to December 1960.

Colonel *Wallace J. Nichols*, , General Staff (Armor), United States Army. January 1958 to January 1961.

Lieutenant Colonel *Russell O. Peoples, Jr.*, , Infantry, United States Army. January 1958 to January 1961.

Specialist Seven *Robert V. Scara*, , United States Army. July 1959 to January 1961.

Captain *William D. Sheehan*, , Chemical Corps, United States Army. July 1957 to January 1961.

Major *Howard A. Wagner*, , Signal Corps, United States Army. January 1957 to November 1960.

Lieutenant Colonel *Reginald G. Watkins*, , Infantry, United States Army. July 1958 to November 1960.

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:

Lieutenant Colonel *Maurice M. Clement*, (then Major), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. June 1945 to April 1948.

Major *Dwight C. Crofford*, , Infantry, United States Army. August 1958 to October 1960.

Lieutenant Colonel *Jack W. Sickenga*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. April 1959 to October 1960.

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 *Elmer M. Burns*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. November 1958 to December 1960.

Chief Warrant Officer *Charles L. Landry*, , United States Army. July 1957 to June 1960.

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 Six *Ernst O. Sikes*, (then Sergeant First Class), United States Army. February to May 1954.

**VIII. ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL.** So much of Section VI, General Orders Number 40, Department of the Army, 1960, as pertains to award of the Army Commendation Medal to Lieutenant Colonel *William B. Roop*, Infantry, United States Army, as reads "Army Commendation Medal" is amended to read "Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster)".

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

G. H. DECKER,  
General, United States Army.  
Chief of Staff.

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