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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 Derrill M. Daniel, United States Army. September 1953 to April 1963.
 - Major General I. Sewell Morris, , United States Army. December 1954 to April 1963.
- 11.__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 Paul L. Bates, Armor, United States Army. July 1959 to April 1963.
 - Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth R. Bull, , Infantry, United States Army. March 1962 to October 1962.
 - Colonel Preston B. Cannady, Artillery, United States Army. November 1962 to December 1962.
 - Colonel James H. Fulton, Signal Corps, United States Army.

 May 1960 to April 1963.
 - Colonel Fred J. Gosiger, , Ordnance Corps, United States Army. April 1960 to January 1963. (This award supersedes award of the Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service during the period April 1960 to January 1963, as announced in General Orders Number 4, Headquarters U.S. Army Communications Zone, Europe, dated 11 January 1963.)
 - Colonel Adrian L. Hoebeke, , Infantry, United States Army. July 1959 to February 1963.
 - Lieutenant Colonel Carl W. Kappel, , Infantry, United States Army. April 1962 to October 1962.
 - Colonel Slaftcho Katsarsky, , Infantry, United States Army. August 1954 to April 1963. (This award supersedes award of the Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service during the period 1 June 1957 to 10 June 1958, as announced in General Orders Number 90, Headquarters U.S. Army Advisory Group, Korea, dated 10 June 1958.)
 - Lieutenant Colonel Billy M. McCormac, , Signal Corps, United States Army. March 1961 to April 1963.

Colonel Robert E. McMahon, , Infantry, United States Army.

April 1960 to September 1962.

Colonel Richard H. Moore, Artillery, United States Army. July 1954 to April 1963.

Colonel Alexander Pirnie, Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Army. April 1946 to April 1963.

Colonel Robinson B. Rider, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. November 1961 to April 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel Samuel V. Wilson, , Infantry, United States Army. June 1961 to December 1962.

Chief Warrant Officer Norman E. Winter, United States
Army. January 1958 to September 1962.

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 Willis G. Ethel, Armor, United States Army. March 1960 to October 1962.

Colonel Monroe J. Hagood, Army Intelligence (Infantry), United States Army. August 1960 to December 1962.

Colonel Frank Y. Leaver, , Medical Corps, United States Army. October 1948 to April 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel Roger Ray, Ordnance Corps, United States Army. November 1961 to November 1962.

Colonel Thair C. Rich, Medical Corps, United States Army. August 1955 to April 1963.

Brigadier General *Thomas DeF. Rogers*, United States Army. August 1960 to April 1963.

Colonel Duncan Sinclair, Artillery, United States Army. August 1952 to December 1962. (This award supersedes award of the Army Commendation Medal to Colonel Sinclair for meritorious service from 3 July 1958 to 25 May 1961 as announced in General Orders Number 17, Headquarters, United States Army Aviation Center, Fort Rucker, Alabama, dated 2 April 1962 and the Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service from 31 May 1961 to 31 December 1962, as announced in General Orders Number 147, Headquarters, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York, dated 13 December 1962.)

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 Burt L. Mitchell, Jr., , Infantry, United States Army. July 1960 to December 1962.

Colonel James R. Pritchard; , Artillery, United States Army. May 1960 to January 1963.

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:

Colonel John W. Darrah, Jr., Armor, United States Army. December 1954 to April 1963.

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

Colonel Dario Santacruz, , Army of the Republic of Colombia. December 1960 to January 1962.

IV_DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS. 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926, a Distinguished Flying Cross for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight is awarded to:

Captain Harold T. Campbell, , Transportation Corps, United States Army. 4 October 1962. (This award supersedes award of the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious achievement on 4 October 1962, as announced in General Orders Number 9, Headquarters, U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, dated 4 February 1963.)

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 2 July 1926, a Distinguished Flying Cross (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight is awarded by the Department of the Army to:

Chief Warrant Officer John E. Brazil, , United States Army. 4 October 1962. (This award supersedes award of the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious achievement on 4 October 1962 as announced in General Orders Number 8, Headquarters, U. S. Army Test and Evaluation Command, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, dated 4 February 1963.)

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 Billy D. Addison, , United States Army, distinguished himself by heroism on 8 February 1961, at Range Number 49, Grafenwohr, Germany, while serving as a member of Company A, 1st Armored Rifle Battalion, 46th Infantry, United States Forces, Europe. While Company A was engaged in firing .50 caliber machineguns, a fire broke out in the ammunition of an armored personnel carrier. With complete disregard for his own personal safety and fully aware of the highly explosive and white phosphorus ammunition contained in the carrier, Sergeant Addison climbed to the top of it and tried to put out the flames with a fire extinguisher. When this attempt was partially successful, he unhesitatingly entered the carrier and carried out the burning ammunition crates, despite the smoke and flames. His prompt and courageous efforts prevented the carrier from exploding and averted the loss of life. Sergeant Addison's unselfish and heroic action in this dangerous situation are in the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect distinct credit upon himself and the military service.

Second Lieutenant *Thomas E. Branning*, , Signal Corps, United States Army, distinguished himself by heroism on 28 August 1962, near Rendel, Germany, while serving as Platoon Leader, 3d Platoon, Company B, 143d

Signal Battalion. Upon entering the town of Rendel, a convoy of 10 vehicles was halted by falling debris, roaming livestock, and blocked streets resulting from a fire engulfing all of the barns and buildings on three sides of a court and the houses in the center of it. Lieutenant Branning managed to get through with a two and one-half ton truck and immediately instructed the members of the platoon to aid the people in saving their property. When he observed an elderly woman attempting to re-enter a collapsing house, he ignored his own personal safety, entered the hazardous dwelling and discovered a panic-stricken boy who refused to be moved. He then forcibly removed him and placed him with the local citizens for safe watching. Under his inspiring direction, the platoon then assisted the combined firefighting force in extinguishing the fires and preventing them from spreading to the rest of the town. Lieutenant Branning's sound judgment and heroic actions in this dangerous situation are in the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service.

Staff Sergeant George D. Crittenden, , United States Army, B Battery, 2d Gun Battalion, 38th Artillery, distinguished himself by heroism at Ernst Ludwig Kaserne, Darmstadt, Germany on 25 June 1962. Sergeant Crittenden demonstrated the highest degree of courage and initiative when an individual, armed with two grenades, pulled the pins and threatened to use them to avoid arrest. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Sergeant Crittenden slowly approached the distraught man, calmly reasoned with him, and succeeded in persuading him to surrender to the authorities. By his sound judgment and unselfish efforts, he put an end to a dangerous situation and prevented the loss of life or injury to members of the Battalion who were at the scene. Sergeant Crittenden's heroic action in this emergency is in the highest tradition of the United States Army and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service.

Sergeant First Class John Fannin, Jr., Infantry, United States Army, distinguished himself by heroism on 25 April 1962, near Bethel, Alaska, while serving as a Noncommissioned Advisor for the 2d Scout Battalion, 297th Infantry, United States Army Advisory Group, Alaska Army National Guard. Sergeant Fannin was aboard a helicopter with nine other passengers on a resupply mission to the Eskimo village units when the aircraft crashed and burst into flames. Eight passengers died instantly; the ninth was rendered unconscious with a broken neck; and Sergeant Fannin sustained a broken leg, shock, and other multiple injuries. Despite his own dazed condition, painful injuries, and an impending explosion, he displayed complete disregard for his own personal safety by taking the rapidly diminishing time to aid the unconscious victim. With extreme fortitude, courage, and perserverance, he succeeded in dragging his severely injured fellow member away from the blazing wreckage to a safe position moments before the aircraft exploded. Sergeant Fannin's heroic action in this dangerous situation is in the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service.

Specialist Five Marion R. Meredith, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army, a member of Company B, 169th Engineer Battalion (Construction), Fort Stewart, Georgia, distinguished himself by heroism on 31 May 1963, near Sneads, Florida. When Specialist Meredith was driving along the highway and saw a blazing house about two hundred yards off the

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road, he stopped his car and ran toward the burning dwelling. As he approached the area, he heard a weak cry coming from within the house. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, he ignored the impending collapse of the structure, broke down the locked door, and seeing a limp figure on the floor, fought through dense smoke and flames to render assistance. Upon reaching the victim, he pulled him out of the house to a place of safety and discovered that the elderly invalid he had rescued was still conscious. Ascertaining from the man that no one else was in the burning house, he proceeded to administer first aid and continued his efforts until an ambulance arrived. Moments after the rescue, the burning structure collapsed. Specialist Meredith's prompt and heroic action in this emergency is in the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service.

, United States Army, a Chief Warrant Officer James L. Mills, member of the United States Army Quartermaster Research and Engineering Field Evaluation Agency, Fort Lee, Virginia, distinguished himself by heroism on 9 January 1963, in Prince George County, Virginia. Chief Warrant Officer Mills was at home when his young son told him that a neighbor's little boy had fallen through the ice of a nearby pond. Although only partially attired, Chief Warrant Officer Mills reacted instantly and ran barefooted to the pond which he knew to be over his head in depth. Knowing that he was not a good swimmer by normal standards, he disregarded his own personal safety and raced across the thin ice to rescue the child. Before he reached the youngster, the ice broke beneath his weight and plunged him into the icy water where he discovered the submerged, motionless body of another child. He then grasped each child firmly, and swam and struggled to the shoreline, breaking the ice before him with his chest and arms. Upon reaching the edge of the pond, he handed the conscious child to a neighbor, and ignoring his own cuts, bruises, and exhaustion, promptly proceeded to apply artificial respiration to the apparently lifeless child. Through his dilligent efforts, the child finally regained consciousness, and both children recovered from their ordeal after treatment at a hospital. Chief Warrant Officer Mills' heroic action in this emergency is in the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. (This award supersedes the previous award of the Army Commendation Medal to Chief Warrant Officer Mills for heroism on 9 January 1963 as announced in General Orders Number 10, Headquarters, United States Army Test and Evaluation Command, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, dated 4 February 1963.)

First Lieutenant Ramon A. Nadal, II, , Infantry, United States Army, distinguished himself by heroism on 8 February 1961, at Range Number 49, Grafenwohr, Germany, while serving with Company A, 1st Armored Rifle Battalion, 46th Infantry, United States Forces, Europe. Lieutenant Nadal was acting as Safety Officer for the firing of .50 caliber machineguns when a fire broke out in the amunition of an armored personnel carrier. With complete disregard for his own personal safety and fully aware of the highly explosive and white phosphorus ammunition contained in the carrier, he unhesitatingly entered it and attempted to put out the flames with a fire extinguisher. His efforts cleared the smoke and enabled him to see that the mortar ammunition crates were burning. Despite the heat and flames, he unstrapped the burning cases and carried them out of the track to a safe location. His prompt and

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courageous action prevented the carrier from exploding and adverted the loss of life. Lieutenant Nadal's unselfish and heroic efforts in this dangerous situation are in the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect distinct credit upon himself and the military service.

, United States Army, dis-Sergeant Antonio Ocasio-Gonzalez, tinguished himself by heroism on 31 October 1962 at Liberty Army Airfield while serving as a member of the United States Army Garrison, Fort Stewart, Georgia. When an Army helicopter, with a crew of three aboard, crashed in a wooded area and burst into flames, Sergeant Ocasio immediately led a crash and firefighting party to the scene of the accident. After dismounting from the crash truck and guiding it through the wooded area to a distance of twenty yards from the blaze, he noticed a movement within the burning wreckage. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, and despite the danger of an imminent gasoline explosion, he unhesitatingly dashed into the inferno. pulled the injured pilot from the flames, and placed him in a safe area. He then repeated his act of bravery by re-entering the flaming wreckage to rescue the other crew members, and, with perseverance and fortitude, continued his courageous efforts until repelled by the intensity of the flames. With untiring efforts and dedicated devotion to duty, he remained at the crash site, fighting the fire and clearing away the debris. Sergeant Ocasio's heroic actions in this emergency are in the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service.

Private First Class Russell L. Westerfield, , United States Army, a member of the 226th Signal Company, 4th United States Army Missile Command (Air Transportable), distinguished himself by heroism on 16 December 1962, in the vicinity of the Soyang River, City of Chun Chon, Korea. Private Westerfield observed two young Korean ice skaters fall through the ice into the swiftly flowing deep water of the Soyang River. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, he unhesitatingly entered the icy water in an effort to rescue the panic-stricken youths. Upon reaching the edge of the ice, he managed to grasp one of the frightened boys, and with the aid of a pole extended to him by a companion, pulled the boy through the water to the bank of the river. Private Westerfield's prompt and courageous action in this emergency is in the highest tradition of the United States Army and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service.

VI_BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 11046, 24 August 1962, a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against hostile forces is awarded to:

Colonel Robert C. Roth, , Infantry, United States Army. May 1962 to October 1962.

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:

Chief Warrant Officer Lawrence A. Awrey,

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- Specialist Six Edgar W. Hodges, Transportation Corps, United States Army. 4 October 1962.
- Captain Emmett F. Knight, , Transportation Corps, United States Army. 4 February 1962.
- Specialist Five Frank L. MacPherson, Transportation Corps, United States Army. October 1962 to February 1963.
- Captain James H. Mason, Transportation Corps, United States Army. 8 to 13 January 1963.
- Specialist Five Robert I. Pillow, , United States Army. 19 September 1962.
- Captain William E. Rahn, , Transportation Corps, United States Army. 19 September 1962. (This award supersedes award of the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious achievement on 19 September 1962 as announced in General Orders Number 17, Headquarters, U. S. Army Test and Evaluation Command, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, dated 6 March 1963.)
- Chief Warrant Officer Billy J. Williams, Transportation Corps, United States Army. 4 February 1962.
- 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 (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight is awarded by the Department of the Army to:

 Specialist Six Roger G. Gould,

 United States Army. 4 October 1962.
 - Second Lieutenant David H. Lindsey, , Transportation Corps, United States Army. 19 September 1962. (This award supersedes award of the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious achievement on 19 September 1962, as announced in General Orders Number 15, Headquarters, U. S. Army Test and Evaluation Command, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, dated 6 March 1963.)
- VIII_ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL. 1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service is awarded to:
 - Lieutenant Colonel Claude E. Bailey, Jr., , Infantry, United States Army. March 1959 to January 1963.
 - Master Sergeant Albert Blithe, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. July 1960 to July 1962.
 - Lieutenant Colonel Harold J. Bowman, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. August 1959 to March 1963.
 - Sergeant Buford K. Casteel, , Signal Corps, United States Army. July 1958 to October 1962.
 - Sergeant First Class Harry C. Collins, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. September 1962 to March 1963.
 - Specialist Six Helen M. Dimmick, Women's Army Corps, United States Army. January 1961 to April 1963.
 - Colonel Jack B. Dunn, , Civil Affairs, United States Army. October 1962 to January 1963.
 - Sergeant First Class George E. Elliott, United States Army. October 1960 to April 1963.

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- Sergeant First Class Monroe Hardin, Jr., , Transportation Corps, United States Army. October 1962 to December 1962.
- Lieutenant Colonel William T. Hiraoka, Army Intelligence and Security, United States Army. November 1962 to February 1963.
- Lieutenant Colonel Gomer James, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army. October 1961 to November 1962.
- Lieutenant Colonel Andrew L. Jay, Transportation Corps, United States Army. November 1960 to April 1963.
- Colonel Joel W. Lawson, , Infantry, United States Army. October 1962 to December 1962.
- Staff Sergeant John R. McGowan, United States Army.

 January 1962 to April 1963.
- Chaplain (Major) Thomas D. McGrath, , United States Army.
 July 1958 to September 1960.
- Lieutenant Colonel Roule C. Mozingo, Infantry, United States Army. February 1960 to April 1963.
- Master Sergeant Condie E. Myers, Finance Corps, United States Army. March 1961 to February 1963.
- Captain John H. Parkes, Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Army. January 1961 to February 1963.
- Master Sergeant Horace E. Posey, ; United States Army. October 1962 to December 1962.
- Sergeant First Class Vera P. Roede, , Women's Army Corps, United States Army. February 1956 to April 1963.
- Lieutenant Colonel Gordon W. Ross, Army Intelligence and Security, United States Army. May 1962 to April 1963.
- Sergeant Major John C. Schiller, United States Army.
 August 1962 to December 1962.
- Yeoman Second Class Dennis H. Shipman, United States Navy. March 1962 to April 1963.
- Colonel Lewis W. Shropshire. , Infantry, United States Army. July 1959 to April 1963.
- Master Sergeant Ralph F. Smith, United States Army. May 1961 to April 1963.
- Master Sergeant Martin II. Taylor, United States Army. November 1960 to October 1962.
- Captain Larry A. Thorne, , Infantry, United States Army. January 1959 to September 1962.
- Lieutenant Colonel Lamar Weaver, Jr., Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. January 1961 to April 1963.
- Lieutenant Commander Gerald P. Zornow, ; United States Navy. March 1962 to March 1963.
- Staff Sergeant Donald L. Zumwalt, , United States Marine Corps. March 1962 to February 1963.
- 2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:
 - Lieutenant Colonel Arthur Aguilar, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. August 1961 to March 1963.

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Colonel William M. Boggs, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army. September 1959 to January 1963.

Colonel Donnelly P. Bolton, , Infantry, United States Army. April to October 1961 and from January to August 1962.

Colonel Edward W. Markey, United States Army. February 1961 to April 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel Ralph E. McClain, Infantry, United States Army. May 1959 to April 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel Jack F. Riggins, , Infantry, United States Army. June 1958 to April 1963.

Specialist Five James E. Sikes, United States Army. August 1962 to December 1962.

3. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:

Major Thomas C. Evans, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army. December 1960 to December 1962.

Colonel Lynn D. Fargo, , Infantry, United States Army. October 1962 to December 1962.

Lieutenant Colonel Russell C. Geist, Jr., Armor, United States Army. May 1959 to March 1963.

Chief Warrant Officer *Donald E. McGhee*, , United States Army. July 1961 to March 1963.

Major Augustino L. Merolla, Artillery, United States Army. February 1962 to January 1963.

Colonel Donald A. Phelan, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. August 1961 to March 1963.

4. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal (Third Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel Lansing E. Broadhurst, , Transportation Corps, United States Army. September 1960 to May 1962.

5. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal (Fourth Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:

Major George A. Brown, Jr., , Infantry, United States Army. October 1962 to December 1962.

6. 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:

Major Joseph V. Brendza, , Finance Corps, United States Army. 17 September 1962.

Specialist Five Edward F. Csencsits, , Transportation Corps, United States Army. 21 October 1962.

Specialist Five Frank Dennis, , United States Army. 8 February 1961.

Private First Class Kenneth L. Frick, United States Army. 22 October 1962.

Master Sergeant Ernest W. Hosea, , United States Army. 8 February 1961.

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Private First Class John B. Isenberg, III, , United States Army. 31 October 1962. Specialist Four Robert D. Kiekhaefer, , United States Army. 17 October 1962. Specialist Five George D. McFarlin, , United States Army. 30 July 1962. Private First Class Floyd M. Merckle, , United States Army. 17 October 1962. Sergeant Robert A. Panetta, _ , (then Corporal), United States Army. 30 November 1950. Private First Class William R. Pollard, , United States Army. 18 November 1962. By Order of the Secretary of the Army:

EARLE G. WHEELER, General, United States Army, Chief of Staff.

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