



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Lineage and Honors

**5th BATTALION, 46th INFANTRY
(THE PROFESSIONALS)**

Constituted 15 May 1917 in the Regular Army as Company E, 46th Infantry

Organized 4 June 1917 at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana

(46th Infantry assigned 5 July 1918 to the 9th Division; relieved 15 February 1919 from assignment to the 9th Division)

Inactivated 16 November 1921 at Camp Travis, Texas

Demobilized 31 July 1922

Reconstituted 28 August 1941 in the Regular Army as Company E, 46th Infantry (Armored), an element of the 5th Armored Division

Activated 1 October 1941 at Fort Knox, Kentucky

Redesignated 1 January 1942 as Company E, 46th Armored Infantry

Reorganized and redesignated 20 September 1943 as Company B, 15th Armored Infantry Battalion, an element of the 5th Armored Division

Inactivated 8 October 1945 at Camp Myles Standish, Massachusetts

Activated 6 July 1948 at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas

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Inactivated 1 February 1950 at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas

Activated 1 September 1950 at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas

Inactivated 16 March 1956 at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas

(15th Armored Infantry Battalion relieved 15 February 1957 from assignment to the 5th Armored Division)

Redesignated 1 July 1959 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 5th Battle Group, 46th Infantry

Redesignated 2 October 1967 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 5th Battalion, 46th Infantry, and activated at Fort Hood, Texas (organic elements concurrently constituted and activated)

Battalion assigned 31 March 1968 to the 198th Infantry Brigade

Relieved 15 February 1969 from assignment to the 198th Infantry Brigade and assigned to the 23d Infantry Division

Inactivated 22 May 1971 at Fort Lewis, Washington

Headquarters transferred 1 October 2000 to the United States Army Training and Doctrine Command and activated at Fort Knox, Kentucky

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CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War II

- *Normandy
- *Northern France
- *Rhineland
- *Ardennes-Alsace
- *Central Europe

Vietnam

- *Tet Counteroffensive
- *Counteroffensive, Phase IV
- *Counteroffensive, Phase V
- *Counteroffensive, Phase VI
- *Tet 69/Counteroffensive
- *Summer-Fall 1969
- *Winter-Spring 1970
- *Sanctuary Counteroffensive
- *Counteroffensive, Phase VII

DECORATIONS

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered HURTGEN FOREST

*Luxembourg Croix de Guerre, Streamer embroidered LUXEMBOURG

*Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered
VIETNAM 1969-1970

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