



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Lineage and Honors

1st BATTALION, 508th INFANTRY REGIMENT

Constituted 6 October 1942 in the Army of the United States as Company A, 508th Parachute Infantry

Activated 20 October 1942 at Camp Blanding, Florida

Inactivated 25 November 1946 at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey

Redesignated 16 April 1951 as Company A, 508th Airborne Infantry; concurrently allotted to the Regular Army and activated at Fort Bragg, North Carolina

Inactivated 22 March 1957 at Fort Campbell, Kentucky

Redesignated 15 July 1962 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry

Assigned 6 March 1964 to the 82d Airborne Division (organic elements concurrently constituted)

Battalion activated 25 May 1964 at Fort Bragg, North Carolina

Inactivated 3 October 1986 at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and relieved from assignment to the 82d Airborne Division

Assigned 10 July 1987 to the 193d Infantry Brigade and activated in Panama

Inactivated 15 October 1994 in Panama and relieved from assignment to the 193d Infantry Brigade

Activated 16 February 1996 in Bosnia

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Assigned 16 October 2000 to the 173d Airborne Brigade

Redesignated 1 October 2005 as 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry Regiment

Relieved 15 June 2006 from assignment to the 173d Airborne Brigade and assigned to the 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82d Airborne Division

Relieved 16 February 2014 from assignment to the 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82d Airborne Division and assigned to the 3d Brigade Combat Team, 82d Airborne Division

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War II

- *Normandy (with arrowhead)
- *Rhineland (with arrowhead)
- *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

Armed Forces Expeditions

- *Dominican Republic
- *Grenada
- *Panama (with arrowhead)

War on Terrorism

Afghanistan:

- *Consolidation II
- *Consolidation III

Iraq:

- *Liberation of Iraq (with arrowhead)
- *Transition of Iraq

(Additional campaigns
to be determined)

DECORATIONS

*Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered COTENTIN PENINSULA

*Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered HUE AND SAIGON


*Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered ZABUL AND KANDAHAR PROVINCES 2009-2010

*Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered KANDAHAR PROVINCE 2012

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- *Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2003
 - *Army Superior Unit Award, Streamer embroidered 1990
 - *French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War II, Streamer embroidered STE. MERE EGLISE
 - *French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War II, Streamer embroidered COTENTIN
 - *French Croix de Guerre, World War II, Fourragere
 - *Military Order of William (Degree of the Knight of the Fourth Class), Streamer embroidered NIJMEGEN 1944
 - *Netherlands Orange Lanyard
 - *Belgian Fourragere 1940
 - *Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action in the Ardennes
 - *Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action in Belgium and Germany
 - *Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action at St. Vith
 - *Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1968-1969
 - *Republic of Vietnam Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1968
- Company B additionally entitled to:
- Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered WESTERN AFGHANISTAN AUG 2009-AUG 2010

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:


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