



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

## Lineage and Honors

### **2d BATTALION, 18th INFANTRY REGIMENT (VANGUARDS)**

Organized 9 September 1861 in the Regular Army at Camp Thomas, Ohio, as Company B, 1st Battalion, 18th Infantry

Reorganized and redesignated 21 September 1866 as Company B, 18th Infantry

Consolidated in April 1869 with Company F, 25th Infantry (see ANNEX), and consolidated unit designated as Company B, 18th Infantry

(18th Infantry assigned 8 June 1917 to the 1st Expeditionary Division [later redesignated as the 1st Infantry Division])

Inactivated 15 February 1957 at Fort Riley, Kansas, and relieved from assignment to the 1st Infantry Division; concurrently redesignated as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battle Group, 18th Infantry

Assigned 1 October 1963 to the 1st Infantry Division and activated at Fort Riley, Kansas (organic elements concurrently constituted and activated)

Reorganized and redesignated 2 March 1964 as the 2d Battalion, 18th Infantry

Inactivated 15 April 1970 at Fort Riley, Kansas, and relieved from assignment to the 1st Infantry Division

Assigned 16 October 1987 to the 197th Infantry Brigade and activated at Fort Benning, Georgia

## **2d BATTALION, 18th INFANTRY REGIMENT (VANGUARDS)**

Relieved 16 August 1991 from assignment to the 197th Infantry Brigade and assigned to the 24th Infantry Division

Inactivated 15 February 1996 at Fort Benning, Georgia, and relieved from assignment to the 24th Infantry Division

Redesignated 1 October 2005 as the 2d Battalion, 18th Infantry Regiment

Assigned 16 October 2009 to the 170th Infantry Brigade and activated in Germany

### **ANNEX**

Constituted 3 May 1861 in the Regular Army as Company F, 2d Battalion, 16th Infantry

Organized 10 February 1866 at Madison Barracks, New York

Reorganized and redesignated 21 September 1866 as Company F, 25th Infantry

Consolidated in April 1869 with Company B, 18th Infantry, and consolidated unit designated as Company B, 18th Infantry

### **CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT**

#### Civil War

- \*Murfreesborough
- \*Chickamauga
- \*Chattanooga
- \*Atlanta
- \*Kentucky 1862
- \*Mississippi 1862
- \*Tennessee 1863
- \*Georgia 1864

#### Indian Wars

- \*Dakota 1867
- Wyoming 1867
- \*Montana 1881
- \*Montana 1882

#### War with Spain

- \*Manila

## 2d BATTALION, 18th INFANTRY REGIMENT (VANGUARDS)

### Philippine Insurrection

- \* Iloilo
- \* Panay 1899
- Panay 1900

### World War I

- \* Montdidier-Noyon
- \* Aisne-Marne
- \* St. Mihiel
- \* Meuse-Argonne
- \* Lorraine 1917
- \* Lorraine 1918
- \* Picardy 1918

### World War II

- \* Algeria-French Morocco  
(with arrowhead)
- \* Tunisia
- \* Sicily (with arrowhead)
- \* Normandy (with arrowhead)
- \* Northern France
- \* Rhineland
- \* Ardennes-Alsace
- \* Central Europe

### Vietnam

- \* Defense
- \* Counteroffensive
- \* Counteroffensive, Phase II
- \* Counteroffensive, Phase III
- \* Tet Counteroffensive
- \* Counteroffensive, Phase IV
- \* Counteroffensive, Phase V
- \* Counteroffensive, Phase VI
- \* Tet 69/Counteroffensive
- \* Summer-Fall 1969
- \* Winter-Spring 1970

### Southwest Asia

- \* Defense of Saudi Arabia
- \* Liberation and Defense of Kuwait

## DECORATIONS

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered BEJA, TUNISIA

\*Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered NORMANDY

\*Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered AACHEN, GERMANY

\*Army Superior Unit Award, Streamer embroidered 1994

\*French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War I, Streamer embroidered AISNE-MARNE

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(VANGUARDS)**

\*French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War I, Streamer embroidered MEUSE-  
ARGONNE

\*French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War II, Streamer embroidered KASSERINE

\*French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War II, Streamer embroidered NORMANDY

\*French Medaille Militaire, Fourragere

\*Belgian Fourragere 1940

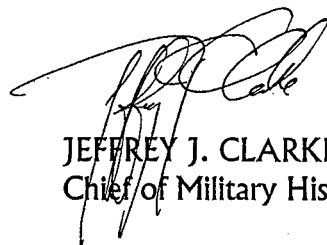
\*Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action at Mons

\*Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action at Eupen-Malmedy

\*Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM  
1965-1968

\*Republic of Vietnam Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class, Streamer embroidered  
VIETNAM 1965-1970

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:



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