

Department of the army Lineage and Honors

252d ARMORED REGIMENT

Constituted 20 March 1959 in the North Carolina Army National Guard as the 196th Armor, a parent regiment under the Combat Arms Regimental System

Organized 1 April 1959 from existing units to consist of the 1st Reconnaissance Squadron and the 2d Medium Tank Battalion, elements of the 30th Infantry Division

Reorganized and redesignated 10 March 1963 as the 252d Armor to consist of the 1st and 2d Battalions, elements of the 30th Infantry Division

Reorganized 1 December 1973 to consist of the 1st Battalion, an element of the 30th Infantry Brigade, and the 2d Battalion

Withdrawn 1 June 1989 from the Combat Arms Regimental System and reorganized under the United States Army Regimental System with Headquarters at Fayetteville

Reorganized 1 September 1996 to consist of the 1st Battalion, an element of the 30th Infantry Brigade

Ordered into active Federal service 1 October 2003 at home stations

(30th Infantry Brigade converted, reorganized, and redesignated 1 September 2004 as the 30th Armored Brigade)

Released from active Federal service 28 March 2005 and reverted to state control

Reorganized 1 September 2005 to consist of the 1st Battalion, an element of the 30th Armored Brigade Combat Team

252d ARMORED REGIMENT

Redesignated 1 October 2005 as the 252d Armored Regiment

Ordered into active Federal service 11 February 2009 at home stations; released from active Federal service 17 March 2010 and reverted to state control

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

War on Terrorism Iraq: Iraqi Sovereignty

Headquarters Company (Fayetteville), and Company D (Sanford), 1st Battalion, each additionally entitled to:

World War II Normandy Northern France Rhineland Ardennes-Alsace Central Europe

DECORATIONS

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2009-2010

Headquarters Company (Fayetteville), 1st Battalion, additionally entitled to:

French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War II, Streamer embroidered FRANCE

French Croix de Guerre with Silver Gilt Star, World War II, Streamer embroidered STOUMONT AND HABIEMONT

Belgian Fourragere 1940

Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action in Belgium

Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action in the Ardennes

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Company D (Sanford), 1st Battalion, additionally entitled to:

Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action along the Meuse River

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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