

Department of the army Lineage and Honors

188th ARMY BAND

Organized 13 August 1887 in the Dakota Territorial Militia at Valley City as the Band, 1st Dakota Infantry

Reorganized and redesignated 2 November 1889 in the Organized Militia of North Dakota as the Band, 1st North Dakota Infantry (concurrently, Territory of Dakota reorganized as the states of North and South Dakota)

Location changed in 1891 to Lisbon

(Organized Militia of North Dakota redesignated 6 March 1891 as the North Dakota National Guard)

Mustered into Federal service 19 June 1916 at Lisbon; mustered out of Federal service 14 February 1917 at Fort Snelling, Minnesota

Called into Federal service 15 July 1917; drafted into Federal service 5 August 1917

Redesignated 4 October 1917 as the Band Section, Headquarters Company, 164th Infantry and assigned to the 41st Division

Demobilized 28 February 1919 at Camp Dix, New Jersey, and relieved from assignment to the 41st Division

Reorganized and Federally recognized 4 April 1922 in the North Dakota National Guard at Lisbon as the Band Section, 164th Infantry, and assigned to the 34th Division

Redesignated 1 May 1940 as the Band, 164th Infantry

Inducted into Federal service 10 February 1941 at Lisbon

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Relieved from assignment 8 December 1941 to the 34th Division

Assigned 24 May 1942 to the Americal Division

Relieved from assignment 16 November 1943 to the Americal Division

Reorganized and redesignated 10 January 1944 as the 294th Army Band

Redesignated 1 June 1944 as the 294th Army Ground Forces Band

Inactivated 31 May 1946 on Luzon

Reorganized and Federally recognized 8 November 1946 in the North Dakota National Guard at Lisbon as the 294th Army Ground Forces Band

Redesignated 27 August 1947 as the 294th Army Band

Disbanded 1 April 1959 and remaining personnel transferred to the 188th Army Band (188th Army Band concurrently organized and Federally recognized at Fargo)

HOME STATION: Fargo

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War I Streamer without inscription

World War II Guadalcanal

DECORATIONS

None

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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