



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Lineage and Honors

78th ARMY BAND

Constituted 2 August 1943 in the Organized Reserves as the Band, 78th Infantry Division

Activated 9 August 1943 at Camp Butner, North Carolina

Redesignated 1 December 1943 as the 78th Infantry Division Band

Inactivated 22 May 1946 in Germany

(Organized Reserves redesignated 25 March 1948 as the Organized Reserve Corps; redesignated 9 July 1952 as the Army Reserve)

Activated 1 October 1950 at Newark, New Jersey

Location changed 9 November 1955 to Kearny, New Jersey; on 6 December 1958 to Edison, New Jersey

Reorganized and redesignated 1 May 1959 as the 78th Division Band

Consolidated 31 January 1968 with the Support Company, 78th Division (Training) and consolidated unit reorganized and redesignated as the Support Company and Band, 78th Division (Training)

Reorganized and redesignated 1 September 1970 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company and Band, 78th Support Battalion, an element of the 78th Division (Training)

Reorganized and redesignated 1 August 1971 as Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment and Band, 78th Support Battalion, an element of the 78th Division (Training)

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Band element withdrawn 16 November 1982 and redesignated as the 878th Army Band, an element of the 78th Division (Training) (Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 78th Support Battalion--hereafter separate lineage)

Reorganized and redesignated 17 September 1983 as the band element of Headquarters Company, 78th Division (Training)

Band element withdrawn 16 September 1988 from Headquarters Company, 78th Division (Training); concurrently reorganized and redesignated as the 78th Division Band

(78th Division [Training] reorganized and redesignated 1 October 1993 as the 78th Division [Exercise]; on 17 October 1999 as the 78th Division [Training Support])

Relieved 1 April 2007 from assignment to the 78th Division (Training Support)

Reorganized and redesignated 16 October 2008 as the 78th Army Band; concurrently location changed to Fort Dix, New Jersey

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War II
Rhineland
Ardennes-Alsace
Central Europe

DECORATIONS

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered EUROPEAN THEATER

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:



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