



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

*Lineage and Honors*

**HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY  
27th INFANTRY BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM  
(EMPIRE)**

Constituted 9 February 1898 in the New York National Guard as Headquarters, New York Division, and organized at Albany

Disbanded 4 April 1898 at Albany

Reconstituted 23 June 1908 in the New York National Guard as Headquarters, New York Division, and organized at Albany

Redesignated 28 June 1916 as Headquarters, 6th Division, and mustered into Federal Service at New York; mustered out of Federal service 23 December 1916 at New York

Mustered into Federal service 16 July 1917 at Camp Whitman, New York; drafted into Federal service 5 August 1917

Redesignated 1 October 1917 as Headquarters, 27th Division

Demobilized 1 April 1919 at Camp Upton, New York

Reorganized and Federally recognized 23 December 1921 in the New York National Guard at New York; Headquarters Detachment, 27th Division, concurrently organized and Federally recognized at New York

Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 27th Division, inducted into Federal service 15 October 1940 at New York

Reorganized and redesignated 1 September 1942 as Headquarters, 27th Infantry Division

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Inactivated 31 December 1945 at Fort Lawton, Washington

Reorganized and Federally recognized 21 April 1947 at Albany

Location changed 5 February 1952 to Buffalo

Reorganized and redesignated 1 February 1955 as Headquarters, 27th Armored Division

Consolidated 16 March 1959 with the Medical Detachment, 27th Armored Division (see ANNEX 1) and Headquarters Company, 27th Armored Division (organized and Federally recognized 16 October 1952 at Buffalo) and consolidated unit designated as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 27th Armored Division

Reorganized and redesignated 15 April 1963 as Special Staff Section, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 27th Armored Division

Consolidated 15 April 1964 with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 27th Armored Division (see ANNEX 2); consolidated unit designated as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 27th Armored Division and location changed to Syracuse

Consolidated 1 February 1968 with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Brigade, 27th Armored Division (see ANNEX 3), and consolidated unit designated as Headquarters Company, 27th Brigade, 50th Armored Division

Reorganized and redesignated 1 April 1975 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 27th Brigade, 42d Infantry Division

Reorganized and redesignated 1 April 1986 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 27th Infantry Brigade, 10th Mountain Division

Reorganized and redesignated 1 September 1995 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 27th Infantry Brigade and relieved from assignment to the 10th Mountain Division

Reorganized and redesignated 1 September 2005 as Headquarters, 27th Infantry Brigade Combat Team

Ordered into active Federal service 17 January 2008 at Syracuse; released from active Federal service 19 February 2009 and reverted to state control

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Ordered into active Federal service 28 January 2012 at Syracuse; released from active Federal service 2 March 2013 and reverted to state control

Elements ordered into active Federal service 1 October 2017 at Syracuse; released from active Federal service 30 September 2018 and reverted to state control

Reorganized and redesignated 1 September 2018 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 27th Infantry Brigade Combat Team

Ordered into active Federal service 14 July 2022 at Syracuse; released from active Federal service 13 July 2023 and reverted to state control

**ANNEX 1**

Organized and Federally recognized 17 May 1949 in the New York Army National Guard as the Medical Detachment, 27th Infantry Division at Buffalo

Reorganized and redesignated 1 February 1955 as the Medical Detachment, 27th Armored Division

**ANNEX 2**

Organized and Federally recognized 1 October 1938 in the New York National Guard at Syracuse as Headquarters Battery and Combat Train, 1st Battalion, 104th Field Artillery, an element of the 27th Division

Reorganized and redesignated 1 July 1940 as Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 104th Field Artillery

Inducted into Federal service 15 October 1940 at Syracuse

Reorganized and redesignated 1 September 1942 as Headquarters Battery, 249th Field Artillery Battalion, an element of the 27th Infantry Division

Inactivated 31 December 1945 at Fort Lawton, Washington

Expanded, reorganized, and Federally recognized 28 October and 11 November 1947 at Syracuse as the Service Battery and Headquarters Battery, respectively, 249th Field Artillery Battalion

## **HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY 27th INFANTRY BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM (EMPIRE)**

After 1947 the above units underwent changes as follows:

Service Battery, 249th Field Artillery Battalion, reorganized and redesignated 1 February 1955 as the Service Battery, 249th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, an element of the 27th Armored Division

Reorganized and redesignated 16 March 1959 as the Service Battery, 1st Howitzer Battalion, 104th Artillery, an element of the 27th Armored Division

Headquarters Battery, 249th Field Artillery Battalion, reorganized and redesignated 1 February 1955 as Headquarters Battery, 249th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, an element of the 27th Armored Division

Consolidated 16 March 1959 with the Medical Detachment, 249th Armored Field Artillery Battalion (see ANNEX 4), and consolidated unit reorganized and redesignated as Headquarters Battery, 1st Howitzer Battalion, 104th Artillery, an element of the 27th Armored Division

Reorganized and redesignated 15 April 1963 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 27th Armored Division

### **ANNEX 3**

Organized 9 December 1917 in the New York Guard at Syracuse as Headquarters Company, 3d Infantry

Reorganized and Federally recognized 24 April 1920 in the New York National Guard at Syracuse as Headquarters Company, 108th Infantry, an element of the 27th Division

Inducted into Federal service 15 October 1940 at Syracuse

(108th Infantry relieved 1 September 1942 from assignment to the 27th Division and assigned to the 40th Infantry Division)

Inactivated 7 April 1946 at Camp Stoneman, California

(108th Infantry relieved 17 May 1947 from assignment to the 40th Infantry Division and assigned to the 27th Infantry Division)

Reorganized and Federally recognized 23 July 1947 at Syracuse

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Reorganized and redesignated 1 February 1955 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Combat Command B, 27th Armored Division

Reorganized and redesignated 15 April 1963 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Brigade, 27th Armored Division

**ANNEX 4**

Organized and Federally recognized 24 September 1940 in the New York National Guard at Syracuse as Company D, 134th Medical Regiment

Inducted into Federal service 27 January 1941 at Syracuse

Reorganized and redesignated 23 May 1942 as Company G, 134th Medical Regiment

Reorganized and redesignated 15 September 1943 as the 466th Medical Collecting Company

Reorganized and redesignated 23 January 1944 as the 466th Ambulance Company, Motor

Reorganized and redesignated 14 April 1945 as the 466th Motor Ambulance Company

Inactivated 30 June 1946 in Germany

Reorganized and Federally recognized 28 October 1947 at Syracuse as the Medical Detachment, 249th Field Artillery Battalion, an element of the 27th Infantry Division

Reorganized and redesignated 1 February 1955 as the Medical Detachment, 249th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, an element of the 27th Armored Division

**HOME STATION:** Syracuse

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**CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT**

World War I

Ypres-Lys

Somme Offensive

World War II

Central Pacific

Western Pacific

Ryukyus

War on Terrorism

Global War on Terrorism

*Afghanistan:*

Consolidation II

Headquarters Company (Syracuse), additionally entitled to:

World War II

Bismarck Archipelago

Leyte

Luzon

Southern Philippines (with arrowhead)

Normandy

Northern France

Rhineland

Ardennes-Alsace

Central Europe

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**DECORATIONS**

Headquarters Company (Syracuse), entitled to:

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered  
EUROPEAN THEATER (Earned as the 466th Ambulance Company)

Philippine Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered 17 OCTOBER  
1944 TO 4 JULY 1945 (Earned as Headquarters Company, 108th Infantry)

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:



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