



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Lineage and Honors

203d ENGINEER BATTALION

Constituted 26 November 1883 in the Missouri National Guard as the 5th Regiment and organized from companies in the southwestern portion of the state

Disbanded 19 April 1887

Reconstituted 15 October 1890 in the Missouri National Guard as the 2d Regiment and organized in the southwestern portion of the state

Mustered into Federal service 12 May 1898 at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, as the 2d Missouri Volunteer Infantry; mustered out of Federal service 3 March 1899 at Albany, Georgia, and reorganized as the 2d Infantry

Mustered into Federal service 18 June 1916

Mustered into Federal service 27-28 June 1916 at Nevada; mustered out of Federal service 12 January 1917 at Fort Riley, Kansas

Drafted into Federal service 5 August 1917

Regiment broken up 1 October 1917 and its elements converted and redesignated as elements of the 35th Division as follows:

Headquarters Company (less Band) and Supply Company as the 110th Trench Mortar Battery

1st Battalion and the Machine Gun Company as the 128th Machine Gun Battalion

2d Battalion as the 129th Machine Gun Battalion

3d Battalion as the 130th Machine Gun Battalion

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(Band, 2d Infantry - hereafter separate lineage)

110th Trench Mortar Battery and the 128th, 129th, and 130th Machine Gun Battalions demobilized 7-16 May, 1919 at Fort Riley, Kansas

Former 2d Infantry converted, reorganized, and Federally recognized 25 January 1921 in the Missouri National Guard as the 2d Artillery (Coast Artillery Corps) with Headquarters at Peirce City

Location of Headquarters changed 2 June 1921 to Aurora; on 18 March 1933 to Webb City

Redesignated 1 October 1921 as the 203d Artillery (Coast Artillery Corps)

Redesignated 19 April 1924 as the 203d Coast Artillery

Inducted into Federal service 16 September 1940 at home stations

Regiment broken up 12 February 1944 and its elements organized as follows:

Headquarters and the 1st Battalion as the 86th Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion

2d Battalion as the 592d Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion

(Headquarters Battery as Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 203d Antiaircraft Artillery Group; 3d Battalion as the 299th Antiaircraft Artillery Searchlight Battalion - hereafter separate lineages)

After 12 February 1944 the above units underwent changes as follows:

86th Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion inactivated 4 November 1944 at Camp Maxey, Texas

Converted and redesignated 27 June 1946 as the 108th Mechanized Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron

Reorganized and Federally recognized 21 October 1946 with Headquarters at Joplin

Converted and redesignated 1 November 1949 as the 203d Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion

Reorganized and redesignated 1 December 1952 as the 203d Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion

Reorganized and redesignated 1 October 1953 as the 203d Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion

592d Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion inactivated 10 November 1944 at Camp Maxey Texas

Converted, reorganized, and Federally recognized 29 June 1948 as the 196th Tank Battalion, with Headquarters at Nevada

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Reorganized and redesignated 1 February 1949 as the 135th Heavy Tank Battalion and assigned to the 35th Infantry Division

Redesignated 1 September 1950 as the 135th Tank Battalion

203d Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion and the 135th Tank Battalion consolidated 15 April 1959 to form the 203d Armor, a parent regiment under the Combat Arms Regimental System, to consist of the 1st Reconnaissance Squadron and the 2d Medium Tank Battalion, elements of the 35th Infantry Division

Reorganized 1 April 1963 to consist of the 1st and 2d Battalions

Converted and redesignated 15 January 1968 as the 203d Engineer Battalion with Headquarters at Joplin

Ordered into active Federal service 1 March 2003 at home stations; released from active Federal service 1 December 2004 and reverted to state control

Reorganized 1 September 2006 to consist of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, and the Support Company (concurrently; Companies A, B, and C reorganized as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 935th Support Battalion, Company E, 1st Battalion, 135th Aviation Regiment, the 3175th Chemical Company, and the 276th Engineer Company – hereafter separate lineages)

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War I
Meuse-Argonne
Alsace 1918
Lorraine 1918

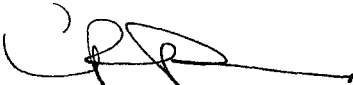
World War II
Aleutian Islands

War on Terrorism
Campaigns to be determined

DECORATIONS

Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered EASTERN AFGHANISTAN 2009-2010

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:


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