

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Lineage and Honorz

# **20th ENGINEER BATTALION**

Constituted 7 December 1917 in the National Army as the 42d Engineer Battalion

Organized 7 February 1918 at Washington, D.C.

Battalion broken up 18 October 1918 and its elements reorganized and redesignated as follows:

Headquarters disbanded

Companies A, B, C, and D as the 42d, 43d, 44th, and 45th Companies, 20th Engineers, respectively

42d, 43d, 44th, and 45th Companies, 20th Engineers, demobilized in June and July 1919 at Camp Merritt, New Jersey, and Newport News, Virginia

Reconstituted 1 October 1933 in the Regular Army as the 42d Engineers

Activated 1 June 1940 at Fort Benning, Georgia

Redesignated 1 August 1942 as the 20th Engineer Combat Regiment

Regiment broken up 15 January 1944 and its elements reorganized and redesignated as follows:

1st Battalion as the 20th Engineer Combat Battalion

(Headquarters and Headquarters and Service Company as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1171st Engineer Combat Group; 2d Battalion as the 1340th Engineer Combat Battalion - hereafter separate lineages)

20th Engineer Combat Battalion inactivated 30 March 1946 in Germany

## **20th ENGINEER BATTALION**

Activated 18 September 1950 at Fort Bragg, North Carolina

Reorganized and redesignated 8 June 1953 as the 20th Engineer Battalion

Assigned 16 October 1992 to the 1st Cavalry Division

Relieved 16 October 2005 from assignment to the 1st Cavalry Division (Battalion lettered companies concurrently inactivated; Support Company constituted and activated)

### CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War I Streamer without inscription

World War II Algeria-French Morocco Tunisia Sicily (with arrowhead) Normandy (with arrowhead) Northern France Rhineland Ardennes-Alsace Central Europe

Vietnam

Counteroffensive Counteroffensive, Phase II Counteroffensive, Phase III Tet Counteroffensive Counteroffensive, Phase IV Counteroffensive, Phase V Counteroffensive, Phase VI Tet 69/Counteroffensive Summer-Fall 1969 Winter-Spring 1970 Sanctuary Counteroffensive Counteroffensive, Phase VII Consolidation I Southwest Asia Defense of Saudi Arabia Liberation and Defense of Kuwait War on Terrorism Afghanistan: Consolidation III

*Iraq:* Transition of Iraq Iraqi Governance

(Additional campaigns to be determined)

### **20th ENGINEER BATTALION**

#### DECORATIONS

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered NORMANDY

Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered BAGHDAD

Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered HELMAND AND KANDAHAR PROVINCES 2010-2011

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1966-1967

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1967-1968

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1968-1969

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered SOUTHWEST ASIA 1990-1991

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2006-2007

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered AFGHANISTAN 2012-2013

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered AFGHANISTAN 2018

French Croix de Guerre with Silver-Gilt Star, World War II, Streamer embroidered VIERVILLE-COLLEVILLE

Republic of Vietnam Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1970-1971

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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