

Department of the army Lineage and Honors

503d INFANTRY (THE ROCK REGIMENT)

Constituted 24 February 1942 in the Army of the United States as the 503d Parachute Infantry (1st Battalion concurrently consolidated with the 503d Parachute Battalion [constituted 14 March 1941 in the Army of the United States and activated 22 August 1941 at Fort Benning, Georgia] and 2d Battalion consolidated with the 504th Parachute Battalion [constituted 14 March 1941 in the Army of the United States and activated 5 October at Fort Benning, Georgia] and consolidated units designated as the 1st and 2d Battalion, 503d Parachute Infantry)

Regiment (less 1st, 2d, and 3d Battalions) activated 2 March 1942 at Fort Benning, Georgia

(3d Battalion activated 8 June 1942 at Fort Bragg, North Carolina)

(2d Battalion reorganized and redesignated 2 November 1942 as the 2d Battalion, 509th Parachute Infantry – hereafter separate lineage; new 2d Battalion, 503d Infantry, concurrently activated in Australia)

Regiment inactivated 24 December 1945 at Camp Anza, California

Redesignated 1 February 1951 as the 503d Airborne Infantry, allotted to the Regular Army, and assigned to the 11th Airborne Division

Activated 2 March 1951 at Fort Campbell, Kentucky

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Relieved 1 March 1957 from assignment to the 11th Airborne Division; concurrently reorganized and redesignated as the 503d Infantry, a parent regiment under the Combat Arms Regimental System

Withdrawn 16 December 1986 from the Combat Arms Regimental System and reorganized under the United States Army Regimental System

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War II New Guinea Leyte Luzon (with arrowhead) Southern Philippines

<u>Vietnam</u>

Defense Counteroffensive Counteroffensive, Phase II (with arrowhead) 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

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DECORATIONS

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered CORREGIDOR

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered BIEN HOA

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered PHUOC VINH

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered DAK TO

Presidential Unit Citation (Navy), Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1966

Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered TUY HOA

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1965-1967

Philippine Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered 17 OCTOBER 1944 TO 4 JULY 1945

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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