

Department of the army Lineage and Honors

509th INFANTRY

Constituted 14 March 1941 in the Army of the United States as the 504th Parachute Battalion

Activated 5 October 1941 at Fort Benning, Georgia

Reorganized and redesignated 24 February 1942 as the 2d Battalion, 503d Parachute Infantry

Reorganized and redesignated 2 November 1942 as the 2d Battalion, 509th Parachute Infantry

Reorganized and redesignated 10 December 1943 as the 509th Parachute Infantry Battalion

Disbanded 1 March 1945 in France

Reconstituted 12 May 1947 in the Regular Army as the 509th Parachute Infantry Battalion

Reorganized and redesignated 1 April 1963 as the 509th Infantry, a parent regiment under the Combat Arms Regimental System

Withdrawn 16 January 1986 from the Combat Arms Regimental System and reorganized under the United States Army Regimental System

Transferred 2 October 1988 to the United States Army Training and Doctrine Command

Withdrawn 31 May 1993 from the United States Army Training and Doctrine Command

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CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War II Algeria-French Morocco (with arrowhead) Tunisia (with arrowhead) Naples-Foggia (with arrowhead) Anzio (with arrowhead) Rome-Arno Southern France (with arrowhead) Rhineland Ardennes-Alsace

DECORATIONS

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered LIEGE, BELGIUM

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered CARANO, ITALY

Army Superior Unit Award, Streamer embroidered 1993-1994

French Croix de Guerre with Silver Star, World War II, Streamer embroidered MUY EN PROVENCE

Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action in the ARDENNES

Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action at ST. VITH

Personnel authorized to wear the insignia of the French 3d Zouaves Regiment

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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