



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

*Lineage and Honors*

**169th MILITARY POLICE COMPANY**

Organized and chartered in January 1755 in the Rhode Island Militia at Westerly as the Artillery Company of Westerly and Charlestown

Redesignated in May 1758 as the Artillery Company of Westerly, Charlestown, and Hopkinton

Redesignated in October 1812 as the Washington Guards, a company of the 3d Regiment

Mustered into Federal service 25 July 1814 as Captain Coe's Company, Wood's State Corps, at Fort Adams, Rhode Island; mustered out of Federal service 23 February 1815 at Fort Adams, Rhode Island

Redesignated 13 August 1855 as the Westerly Rifle Company, a separate company

While remaining in state service during the Civil War, the Westerly Rifle Company additionally formed the following units:

Company I, 1st Rhode Island Volunteer Infantry Regiment, mustered into Federal service 2 May 1861 at Providence; mustered out of Federal service 2 August 1861 at Providence

Company B, 9th Rhode Island Volunteer Infantry Regiment mustered into Federal service 26 May 1862 at Providence; mustered out of Federal service 2 September 1862 at Providence

Expanded in January 1873 to form the Battalion of the Westerly Rifles

Redesignated 1 May 1875 as Companies A and B, 3d Battalion of Infantry

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Redesignated 16 November 1881 as Companies F and E, 1st Battalion of Infantry, respectively

Redesignated 1 June 1887 as Companies F and E, 1st Regiment of Infantry, respectively (Rhode Island Militia concurrently redesignated as the Brigade of Rhode Island Militia)

Companies F and E, 1st Regiment of Infantry, consolidated 6 April 1895 to form Company E, 1st Regiment of Infantry

While remaining in state service Company E, 1st Regiment of Infantry, additionally formed Company K, 1st Rhode Island Volunteer Infantry; mustered into Federal service 18 May 1898 at Quonset Point and mustered out of Federal service 30 March 1899 at Columbia, South Carolina

(Brigade of Rhode Island Militia redesignated 15 April 1907 as the Rhode Island National Guard)

Converted and redesignated 4 November 1908 as the 5th Company, 1st Artillery District, Coast Artillery Corps

Redesignated 3 September 1914 as the 5th Company, 1st Coast Defense Command, Coast Artillery Corps

Redesignated 18 December 1914 as the 5th Company, 1st Coast Artillery District, Coast Artillery Corps

Redesignated 2 January 1917 as the 5th Company, Rhode Island Coast Artillery

Mustered into Federal service 2 April 1917 at Westerly; drafted into Federal service 5 August 1917

Redesignated 31 August 1917 as the 19th Company, Coast Defenses of Narragansett Bay

Demobilized 20 December 1918 at Fort Getty, Rhode Island

Reconstituted 28 May 1921 in the Rhode Island National Guard as the 5th Company, Coast Artillery Corps

Reorganized and Federally recognized 3 June 1921 at Westerly

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Reorganized and redesignated 31 January 1922 as the 349th Company, Coast Artillery Corps

Reorganized and redesignated 1 October 1923 as Battery E, 243d Artillery (Coast Artillery Corps)

Reorganized and redesignated 11 July 1924 as Battery E, 243d Coast Artillery

Inducted into Federal service 16 September 1940 at Westerly

Reorganized and redesignated 7 October 1944 as Battery A, 189th Coast Artillery Battalion

Inactivated 1 April 1945 at Fort Wetherill, Rhode Island

Redesignated 2 July 1946 as Battery D, 705th Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion

Reorganized and Federally recognized 23 April 1947 at Westerly

Ordered into active Federal service 14 August 1950 at Westerly; released from active Federal service 13 July 1952 and reverted to state control

Reorganized and redesignated 1 October 1953 as Battery D, 705th Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion

Reorganized and redesignated 1 April 1959 as Battery D, 1st Automatic Weapons Battalion, 243d Artillery

Converted and redesignated 1 May 1962 as Company C, 243d Engineer Battalion

Converted and redesignated 1 January 1968 as the 169th Military Police Company

Location changed 14 April 1995 to Warren

Consolidated 20 April 1995 with Detachment 1, 169th Military Police Company at Middletown (see ANNEX 1) and consolidated unit designated as the 169th Military Police Company

Ordered into active Federal service 3 August 2003 at Warren; released from active Federal service 1 August 2004 and reverted to state control

## **169th MILITARY POLICE COMPANY**

Ordered into active Federal service 1 July 2007 at Warren; released from active Federal service 3 August 2008 and reverted to state control

Consolidated 15 November 2008 with the 119th Military Police Company (see ANNEX 2), and consolidated unit designated as the 169th Military Police Company

Ordered into active Federal service 7 August 2012 at Warren; released from active Federal service 10 September 2013 and reverted to state control

### **ANNEX 1**

Organized and Federally recognized 7 May 1929 in the Rhode Island National Guard at Newport as Company F, 118th Engineers, an element of the 43d Division

Inducted into Federal service 24 February 1941 at Newport

Reorganized and redesignated 19 February 1942 as Company F, 177th Engineers; concurrently, relieved from assignment to the 43d Division

Reorganized and redesignated 1 August 1942 as Company F, 177th Engineer General Service Regiment

Disbanded 14 November 1944 at Anchorage, Alaska Territory

Reconstituted 8 May 1945 in the Rhode Island National Guard

Converted and redesignated 2 July 1946 as Battery B, Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion

Reorganized and Federally recognized 14 April 1947 at Newport

Reorganized and redesignated 1 August 1951 as Battery B, 243d Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion

Redesignated 1 October 1953 as Battery B, 243d Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion

Reorganized and redesignated 1 October 1958 as Battery A, 705th Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion

Reorganized and redesignated 1 April 1959 as Battery A, 1st Automatic Weapons Battalion, 243d Artillery

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Converted and redesignated 1 May 1962 as Company A, 243d Engineer Battalion

Converted and redesignated 1 February 1968 as Company A, 118th Military Police Battalion

Reorganized and redesignated 1 March 1972 as the 1111th Military Police Company

Location changed 1 December 1983 to Bristol

Location changed 1 December 1987 to Middletown

Reorganized and redesignated 1 July 1990 as Detachment 1, 169th Military Police Company

### **ANNEX 2**

Constituted 1 March 1949 in the Rhode Island Army National Guard as Company D, 118th Engineer Combat Battalion, an element of the 43d Infantry Division

Organized and Federally recognized 20 April 1949 at Warren

Ordered into Federal service 5 September 1950 at Warren

(Company D, 118th Engineer Combat Battalion [NGUS] organized and Federally recognized 15 October 1952 at Warren; reorganized and redesignated 1 April 1953 as Company D, 118th Engineer Battalion [NGUS])

Reorganized and redesignated 5 June 1953 as Company D, 118th Engineer Battalion

Released 15 June 1954 from active Federal service and reverted to state control; concurrently, Federal recognition withdrawn from Company D, 118th Engineer Battalion (NGUS)

Consolidated 18 March 1963 with Company E, 118th Engineer Battalion (organized and Federally recognized 1 April 1959 at Providence) and consolidated unit redesignated as Company C, 118th Engineer Battalion; concurrently, relieved from assignment to the 43d Infantry Division

Converted and redesignated 1 May 1968 as Company C, 118th Military Police Battalion; location concurrently changed to Providence

Reorganized and redesignated 1 March 1972 as the 119th Military Police Company

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Location changed 1 March 1989 to Warwick

Ordered into Federal service 6 January 1991 at Warwick; released 6 May 1991 from active Federal service and reverted to state control

Ordered into Federal service 3 August 2000 at Warwick; released 11 April 2001 from active Federal service and reverted to state control

Ordered into Federal service 7 February 2003 at Warwick; released 1 June 2004 from active Federal service and reverted to state control

HOME STATION: Warren

### CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

Revolutionary War  
Rhode Island 1777  
Rhode Island 1778

War of 1812  
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Civil War  
Bull Run

World War II  
Aleutian Islands

Southwest Asia  
Liberation and Defense of Kuwait  
Cease Fire

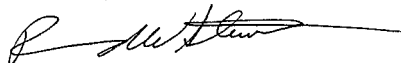
War on Terrorism  
*Iraq:*

Iraqi Surge  
Liberation of Iraq  
Transition of Iraq  
(additional campaigns  
to be determined)

### DECORATIONS

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2007-2008

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:



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