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**I..DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 the Distinguished Service Medal for exceptionally meritorious service in a position of great responsibility is awarded to:

Major General *Robert G. Gard*, , United States Army. January 1946 to November 1959.

Major General *Joseph H. Harper*, , United States Army. April 1953 to November 1959.

**II..LEGION OF MERIT.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded posthumously to:

Colonel *Otho E. Holmes*, , General Staff (Infantry), United States Army. July 1955 to September 1959. (This award supersedes the previous award of the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant to Colonel *Holmes* for meritorious service from 30 July 1955 to 18 November 1957, as announced in General Orders Number 92, Headquarters XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg, dated 18 November 1957.)

**III..LEGION OF MERIT.** 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Colonel *John C. Laackas*, O29866. Finance Corps, United States Army. June 1949 to November 1959.

Colonel *Carlos E. McAfee*, , Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Army. July 1951 to November 1959.

Colonel *Gerald P. McCarthy*, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army. April 1948 to November 1959.

Colonel *Raymond P. Tarr, Jr.*, , Infantry, United States Army. April 1948 to November 1959.

Colonel *Hamilton R. Young*, , Dental Corps, United States Army. September 1948 to November 1959. (This award supersedes the previous award of the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant to Colonel *Young* for meritorious service from 3 November 1954 to 15 November 1958, as announced in General Orders Number 92, Headquarters, U. S. Army Electronic Proving Ground, dated 15 November 1958.)

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Colonel *John S. Blair, III*, , Artillery, United States Army. July 1953 to November 1959.

- Major General *Marshall S. Carter*, , United States Army. November 1956 to November 1959.
- Colonel *Ward W. Conquest*, O41630, Adjutant General's Corps, United States Army. August 1947 to November 1950.
- Brigadier General *Herbert A. Hall*, , United States Army. July 1951 to November 1959.
- Colonel *Alvin A. Heidner*, . Infantry, United States Army. June 1956 to November 1959. (This award supersedes the award of the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (First Oak Leaf Cluster), for service from 12 February 1956 to 11 February 1959, as announced in General Orders Number 6; Headquarters U.S. Army War College and Carlisle Barracks, 11 February 1959, as amended by General Orders Number 20, same headquarters, 9 June 1959.)

**IV. LEGION OF MERIT.** 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (Degree of Commander) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

- Lieutenant General *Count Thord Bonde*, Swedish Army. July 1943 to September 1945 and October 1957 to March 1958.
- His Royal Highness, *Crown Prince Constantine*, The Duke of Sparta. October 1958 to February 1959.
- General *Thanom Kittikachorn*, Minister of Defense, Thailand. December 1957 to July 1959.
- Lieutenant General *Gilles Johannes Le Fevre de Montigny*, Royal Netherlands Army. November 1953 to April 1958.
- Lieutenant General *Antonio Barroso Sanchez-Guerra*, Spanish Army, February 1957 to October 1958.
- General *Shigeru Sugiyama*, Ground Self Defense Force, Japan Defense Agency. August 1957 to September 1959.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (Degree of Officer) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

- Major General *Antonio Jose Coelho dos Reis*, Brazilian Army. April 1957 to July 1959.
- Major General *M. O. Jitjanok Kritakara*, Royal Thai Army. April 1955 to July 1958.
- General *Andre Gaston Pretelat*, French Army. September 1944 to July 1956.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (Degree of Legionnaire) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

- Major *Yegazu Yemane*, 2105, Ethiopian Imperial Body Guard. September 1957 to May 1959.

**V. SOLDIER'S MEDAL.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 2 July 1926, a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded to:

- Specialist Four *Joseph F. Bandy*, , Transportation Corps, Army of the United States, a member of the Transportation Service Company, United States Army Supply and Maintenance Center, Alaska, distinguished himself by

heroism on 13 June 1959. While on a camping trip near Palmer, Alaska, Specialist *Bandy* observed a car rolling backward into Falk Lake with a woman running and screaming for help alongside it. The woman slipped and fell, and the car plunged uncontrolled into deep water and sank almost out of sight with two small children inside. Without hesitation or concern for his own personal safety, and despite the danger of possibly being pulled under by the sunken automobile, Specialist *Bandy* jumped fully clad into the lake, swam out to the submerged car, dived below the surface of the water and, together with a fellow soldier, rescued the two children and brought them safely to shore to their mother. The quick action, personal resourcefulness and unselfish courage displayed by Specialist *Bandy* in this sudden emergency are worthy of emulation, and reflect distinct credit on himself and the military service.

Major *Letcher Crawford*, Infantry, Army of the United States, distinguished himself by heroism at the Mountain Ranger Camp, Dahlonega, Georgia on 21 May 1959. While participating as an observer in an airlanded Ranger patrol operation, Major *Crawford* was a passenger in a helicopter which crashed immediately after takeoff. Despite the fact that he was the most seriously injured of all passengers, he assumed immediate control as senior officer aboard and, without hesitation or concern for his own personal safety, successfully evacuated all passengers from the wrecked helicopter. In constant danger of possible explosion and fire, his high sense of duty and unselfish regard for his fellow men insured that all other passengers were out of the aircraft prior to moving himself from an extremely perilous position. It was only after he had cleared the crash area that he realized that he himself was injured. Major *Crawford's* prompt, courageous actions and presence of mind in this sudden emergency are worthy of emulation, and reflect distinct credit on himself and the military service.

Specialist Four *Kenneth W. Hohe*, United States Army, a member of Medical Detachment, United States Army Hospital, Asmara, Eritrea, Ethiopia, distinguished himself by heroism on 15 June 1959. Specialist *Hohe* was a passenger in a jeep carrying United States Mail and following another vehicle over a rugged and winding mountainous road from Massawa to Asmara, Eritrea. As the leading vehicle rounded a curve, five road bandits armed with rifles stopped it, forced the passengers to dismount and searched and relieved them of personal items. The jeep rounded the bend shortly thereafter and, spotting the bandits and quickly realizing the precarious position, the members of the second party stopped approximately 75 feet from the lead vehicle. When the bandits approached the jeep, the driver raised and fired his pistol, hitting the nearest bandit in the abdomen and knocking him to the ground. Without hesitation or concern for his own personal safety, Specialist *Hohe* drew his pistol and began firing at the remaining bandits who, after attempting to return the fire, fled over the retaining wall by the roadside. Specialist *Hohe's* prompt response and presence of mind aided in repelling the bandits, prevented the loss of United States Government property and Mail and saved the party from the vicious action of bandits known in this area by their ruthless activity. His courageous efforts in this dangerous situation are worthy of emulation, and reflect distinct credit on himself and the military service.

Specialist Four *Fred E. Jude*, Artillery, Army of the United States, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2d Guided Missile Battalion, 1st Guided Missile Group, distinguished himself by heroism on 26 September 1959 at Fort Bliss, Texas. Eight busses were loaded and about to depart for

Noel Field where personnel were detailed to participate in a parade when fire was discovered in one of the vehicles. Almost immediately and before anyone could get off, the bus was filled with dense black smoke and flames. Without thought of danger to himself and despite the smoke and increasing flames, Specialist *Jude* stayed on the bus, calming and helping the panicked men to safety. He emerged from the burning interior of the bus for a breath of fresh air and, without hesitation or regard for his own personal safety, Specialist *Jude* reentered the burning bus to search for anyone who might still be on the bus. Feeling his way through the aisle of the bus, he found one soldier in a semiconscious or confused condition with his boot caught on an unidentified object. Immediately realizing that the man would perish in the flames if not removed immediately, Specialist *Jude* pulled him with such force as to break the nylon boot laces and removed the victim to a safe distance from the burning bus. Specialist *Jude* performed these heroic actions in the face of constant danger of an explosion of the 75 gallons of gasoline in the fuel tank. The prompt courage and determination displayed by Specialist *Jude* in unselfishly and voluntarily risking his life in the emergency undoubtedly saved the man's life. Specialist *Jude's* actions are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army, and reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

Sergeant *Charles H. Lembke*, a member of Headquarters Battery, 7th Infantry Division Artillery, distinguished himself by heroism on 11 June 1959. Sergeant *Lembke* was in the process of coupling a 2½-ton truck and a radar tracker when the tracker moved forward and threatened to crush a Korean soldier assisting him in this duty. Quickly realizing that the Korean soldier was frozen with fear and unable to move, Sergeant *Lembke* immediately jumped over the tongue of the tracker mount and, without concern for his own personal safety, pushed the dazed man free of the closing vehicles. In performing his heroic action, Sergeant *Lembke* was caught between the two heavy vehicles and received severe bruises and lacerations about the chest. His courageous efforts saved the Korean soldier from death by preventing him from being crushed around the face and head. The unselfish concern, fearlessness, and quick presence of mind displayed by Sergeant *Lembke* in this sudden emergency are worthy of emulation, and reflect distinct credit on himself and the military service.

Sergeant *Howard R. Petroff*, United States Army, a member of Company A, 2d Medium Tank Battalion (Patton), 85th Armor, 2d Armored Division, distinguished himself by heroism on 10 September 1959 at Fort Hood, Texas. Sergeant *Petroff* was performing duty as Instructor-Coach and engaged in instructing personnel in handling live M-26 fragmentary hand grenades when a trainee under his instruction executed a toss which sent an activated grenade straight into the air and back to the edge of the throwing pit. Realizing the immediate danger involved, Sergeant *Petroff* quickly shouted a warning to all personnel in the area, leaped forward and swept the live grenade out into the impact area, pushed the trainee into the grenade sump and fell over him just as the grenade exploded approximately four feet from the edge of the pit. The quick presence of mind, prompt heroic actions and unselfish courage displayed by Sergeant *Petroff* in this sudden emergency saved his fellow soldier from death or serious injury, and reflect the utmost credit on himself and the military service.

First Lieutenant *James M. Tucker*, Infantry, United States Army, distinguished himself by heroism at the Mountain Ranger Camp, Dahlenega,

Georgia, on 21 May 1959. While acting as Observer-Instructor for an airlanded Ranger patrol operation, Lieutenant *Tucker* saw a helicopter crash immediately after takeoff and, without hesitation or concern for his own personal safety and despite the constant possibility of an explosion or fire, voluntarily entered the wreckage in an effort to rescue any occupants who might have been trapped inside the crashed aircraft. Even though the aircraft fuel tanks were destroyed and a vast amount of gasoline was in the crash area, he remained inside the wrecked helicopter until he was certain that all passengers had been evacuated to safety. Lieutenant *Tucker's* unselfish determination and courageous action in risking his life in this hazardous situation are worthy of emulation, and reflect distinct credit on himself and the military service.

Specialist Four *John E. Wolfe*, Adjutant General's Corps, United States Army, a member of Headquarters Company, United States Army Supply and Maintenance Center, Alaska, distinguished himself by heroism on 13 June 1959. While on a camping trip near Palmer, Alaska, Specialist *Wolfe* observed a car rolling backward into Falk Lake with a woman running and screaming for help alongside of it. The woman slipped and fell, and the car plunged uncontrolled into deep water and sank almost out of sight with her two small children inside. Without hesitation or concern for his own personal safety, and despite the danger of possibly being pulled under by the sunken automobile, Specialist *Wolfe* jumped fully clad into the lake, swam out to the submerged car, dived below the surface of the water, opened a door and, together with a fellow soldier, rescued the two children and brought them safely to shore to their mother. After ascertaining that no one else was inside the automobile, he drove the woman and her two small children to the hospital in Palmer and then returned them to their home. The quick action, personal resourcefulness and unselfish courage displayed by Specialist *Wolfe* in this sudden emergency are worthy of emulation, and reflect distinct credit on himself and the military service.

**VI. COMMENDATION RIBBON WITH METAL PENDANT.** 1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for meritorious service is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel *Ray F. Coyle, Jr.*, Adjutant General's Corps, United States Army. February 1958 to August 1959.

Major *Harold E. Curry*, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. December 1958 to October 1959.

Colonel *Kenneth F. Ernst*, Medical Corps, United States Army. April 1946 to November 1959.

Colonel *James O. Freese*, Artillery, United States Army Reserve. June 1955 to July 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *David G. Gauvreau*, Artillery, United States Army. December 1955 to July 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *Charles A. Hearn*, Artillery, Army of the United States. June 1955 to November 1959.

Captain *Everett A. Koons*, Artillery, Army of the United States. November 1955 to September 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *Lon D. Marlowe, Jr.*, Infantry, United States Army. August 1956 to June 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *Michael A. Matzko*, Signal Corps, Army of the United States. July 1956 to July 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *Raymond J. McCrory, Jr.*, , then Major, Artillery,  
United States Army, September 1957 to June 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *John R. McCullough*, , Quartermaster Corps,  
Army of the United States. September 1957 to October 1959.

Master Sergeant *Raymond L. Milz*, , Military Police Corps,  
United States Army. September 1956 to October 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *Martin Putnoi*, , Medical Corps, United States  
Army. June 1957 to October 1959.

Major *Jay O. Smith*, O1112449, Corps of Engineers, Army of the United  
States. December 1957 to September 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *James O. Thomas*, , General Staff (Ordnance  
Corps), Army of the United States. January 1956 to September 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *George H. Wilson*, , Medical Service Corps, United  
States Army. February 1956 to August 1959.

2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of para-  
graph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (First  
Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:

Chief Warrant Officer *Charles L. Bodine*, , Adjutant General's  
Corps, United States Army. January 1957 to November 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *Stephen E. Cavanaugh, Jr.*, , Infantry, United  
States Army. July 1957 to August 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *John A. Coulter*, , Quartermaster Corps, United  
States Army. 30 June 1957 to 30 June 1959.

Colonel *Elmer J. Gibson*, , General Staff (Ordnance Corps), United  
States Army. September 1957 to November 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *Allen Jensen*, , General Staff (Corps of Engi-  
neers), United States Army. August 1957 to July 1959.

Major *Raimon W. Lehman*, , General Staff (Signal Corps), United  
States Army. July 1956 to October 1959.

Colonel *Walter W. McCarthy, Jr.*, , Quartermaster Corps, United  
States Army. January 1956 to August 1959.

Major *William H. Murray*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States  
Army. March 1956 to August 1959.

Captain *Richard L. Rice*, , Judge Advocate General's Corps, United  
States Army. October 1958 to October 1959.

Major *Everett M. Willey*, , Ordnance Corps, Army of the United  
States. October 1950 to July 1959.

3. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of para-  
graph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (Second  
Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:

Colonel *Arthur R. Cyr*, , Inspector General (Ordnance Corps),  
United States Army. May 1957 to September 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *Jerome F. Lieblich*, , General Staff (Adjutant  
General's Corps), United States Army. July 1956 to September 1959.

Captain *Russell O. Enoch*, , Ordnance Corps, Army of the United  
States. August 1955 to August 1959.

4. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of para-  
graph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for meri-  
torious achievement is awarded to:

Warrant Officer *Robert E. Arey*, , Army of the United States.  
4 April 1959.

Chief Warrant Officer *Lee A. Hanna, Jr.*, , Army of the United States. 4 April 1959.

Sergeant *James E. Hatcher, Jr.*, , Infantry, United States Army. 18 July 1959.

Private First Class *Thomas W. Lincoln*, , Army of the United States. 9 August 1959.

Private First Class *John A. Sullivan*, , United States Army. 8 July 1959.

5. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 18, AR 672-5-1, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement is awarded to:

Major *Samuel L. King*, , General Staff (Infantry) Army of the United States. 31 August to 27 September 1959.

By Order of *Wilber M. Brucker*, Secretary of of Army:

L. L. LEMNITZER,  
General, United States Army,  
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