

United States Marine Corps



LINEAGE

OF

1ST RECONNAISSANCE BATTALION

1937 - 1940

ACTIVATED 1 MARCH 1937 AT QUANTICO, VIRGINIA, AS 1ST TANK COMPANY AND ASSIGNED
TO 1ST MARINE BRIGADE

DEPLOYED DURING JANUARY-MARCH 1940 TO THE CARIBBEAN ON BOARD THE USS WYOMING

RELOCATED DURING MARCH 1940 TO THE CARIBBEAN ON BOARD THE USS WYOMING

RELOCATED DURING MARCH 1940 TO QUANTICO, VIRGINIA

REDEPLOYED DURING NOVEMBER 1940 TO GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA

1941 - 1949

1ST MARINE BRIGADE REDESIGNATED 1 FEBRUARY 1941 AS 1ST MARINE DIVISION

REDESIGNATED 1 MARCH 1941 AS SCOUT COMPANY, DIVISION SPECIAL TROOPS

RELOCATED DURING APRIL 1941 TO QUANTICO, VIRGINIA

RELOCATED DURING SEPTEMBER 1941 TO NEW RIVER, NORTH CAROLINA

REASSIGNED DURING AUGUST 1942 TO 1ST TANK BATTALION

REDESIGNATED 1 APRIL 1943 AS COMPANY E (SCOUT), 1ST TANK BATTALION

REDESIGNATED 10 APRIL 1943 AS COMPANY D (SCOUT), 1ST TANK BATTALION

REDESIGNATED 9 MAY 1944 AS RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY, HEADQUARTERS BATTALION

PARTICIPATED IN THE FOLLOWING WORLD WAR II CAMPAIGNS

GUADALACANAL
NEW GUINEA
BISMARCK ARCHIPELAGO
WESTERN CAROLINE ISLANDS
OKINAWA

REDEPLOYED DURING SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 1945 TO TIENTSIN, CHINA

RELOCATED DURING JUNE-JULY 1947 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

REDESIGNATED 15 JUNE 1948 AS RECONNAISSANCE PLATOON, HEADQUARTERS COMPANY,
HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE BATTALION

REDESIGNATED 22 MARCH 1949 AS RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY, HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE BATTALION

1950 - 1964

DEPLOYED DURING AUGUST 1950 TO TOKYO, JAPAN

PARTICIPATED IN THE KOREAN WAR, OPERATING FROM

PUSAN PERIMETER
INCHON-SEOUL
CHOSIN RESERVOIR
EAST CENTRAL FRONT
WESTERN FRONT

PARTICIPATED IN THE DEFENSE OF THE KOREAN DEMILITARIZED ZONE, JULY 1953 - MARCH 1955

RELOCATED DURING MARCH 1955 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

DEACTIVATED 30 APRIL 1958

REACTIVATED 1 MAY 1958 AT CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA, AS 1ST RECONNAISSANCE BATTALION AND
ASSIGNED TO THE 1ST MARINE DIVISION

PARTICIPATED IN THE CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS, NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 1962

1965 - 1992

DEPLOYED DURING AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 1965 TO CAMP SCHWAB, OKINAWA

REDEPLOYED DURING MARCH 1966 TO CHU LAI, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

PARTICIPATED IN THE WAR IN VIETNAM, MARCH 1966 - MARCH 1971,
OPERATING FROM

CHU LAI
DA NANG

RELOCATED DURING MARCH-APRIL 1971 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD AND DESERT STORM, SOUTHWEST ASIA,
SEPTEMBER 1990 – APRIL 1991

DEACTIVATED 12 JUNE 1992

1993 – 2013

REACTIVATED 1 OCTOBER 1993 AS RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY, HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE BATTALION,
1ST MARINE DIVISION

REDESIGNATED 1 JUNE 2000 AS 1ST RECONNAISSANCE BATTALION, 1ST MARINE DIVISION

DEPLOYED DURING JANUARY 2003 TO KUWAIT IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQI, MARCH-JUNE 2003, FEBRUARY-OCTOBER 2004,
OCTOBER 2005 – APRIL 2006, APRIL-OCTOBER 2007 AND OCTOBER 2008 – APRIL 2009

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION UNIFIED ASSISTANCE IN RESPONSE TO THE TSUNAMI DISASTER, INDONESIA, 2005

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, AFGHANISTAN, JULY 2008 – FEBRUARY 2009

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, AFGHANISTAN MAY-DECEMBER 2010 AND
NOVEMBER 2011 – JUNE 2012

2 APRIL 2013

DATE



COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS

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HONORS

AWARDED
1ST RECONNAISSANCE BATTALION

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION STREAMER WITH ONE SILVER AND FOUR BRONZE STARS

WORLD WAR II
GUADALCANAL – 1942
PELELIU, NGESEBUS – 1944
OKINAWA – 1945

KOREA
1950
1950
1950
1951

VIETNAM
1966 – 1967
1967 – 1968

IRAQ
2003

NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH ONE SILVER AND ONE BRONZE STAR

KOREA
1950
1952 – 1953

VIETNAM
1967 – 1968
1970

SOUTHWEST ASIA
1990 – 1991

IRAQ
2007
2009

AMERICAN DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR
ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE SILVER AND ONE BRONZE STAR
WORLD WAR II VICTORY STREAMER
NAVY OCCUPATION SERVICE STREAMER WITH "ASIA"
CHINA SERVICE STREAMER
NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS
KOREAN SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO SILVER STARS
ARMED FORCES EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER
VIETNAM SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO SILVER AND TWO BRONZE STARS
SOUTHWEST ASIA SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS
AFGHANISTAN CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR
IRAQ CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE SILVER AND TWO BRONZE STARS
GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER
GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE STREAMER
KOREAN PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION STREAMER
VIETNAM CROSS OF GALLANTRY WITH PALM STREAMER
VIETNAM MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION CIVIL ACTIONS STREAMER

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