LINEAGE
OF
MARINE FIGHTER ATTACK TRAINING SQUADRON 501

1944 – 1945

ACTIVATED 15 FEBRUARY 1944 AS MARINE FIGHTING SQUADRON 451 AT MOJAVE, CALIFORNIA, AND ASSIGNED TO MARINE BASE DEFENSE AIRCRAFT GROUP 44, FLEET MARINE AIR, WEST COAST

REASSIGNED DURING NOVEMBER 1944 TO MARINE BASE DEFENSE AIRCRAFT GROUP 42

DURING NOVEMBER 1944 MARINE BASE DEFENSE AIRCRAFT GROUP 42 REDESIGNATED AS MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 42

DEPLOYED DURING JANUARY 1945 TO THE PACIFIC, OPERATING ON BOARD THE USS BUNKER HILL

PARTICIPATED IN THE FOLLOWING WORLD WAR II CAMPAIGNS

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OKINAWA

DEACTIVATED 10 SEPTEMBER 1945

1946 – 1953

REACTIVATED 1 JULY 1946 AT WILLOW GROVE, PENNSYLVANIA, AS MARINE FIGHTING SQUADRON 451, MARINE AIR DETACHMENT, MARINE AIR RESERVE TRAINING COMMAND

RECALLED TO ACTIVE DUTY 1 MARCH 1951 AT WILLOW GROVE, PENNSYLVANIA

REDESIGNATED 30 APRIL 1951 AS MARINE FIGHTER SQUADRON 451, MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 13, AIRCRAFT, FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC, AND RELOCATED TO EL TORO, CALIFORNIA

RELOCATED DURING MARCH 1952 TO KANEHOE, OAHU, TERRITORY OF HAWAII

RELOCATED DURING NOVEMBER 1952 TO EL TORO, CALIFORNIA, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 15

RELOCATED DURING MAY-JUNE 1953 TO KANEHOE, OAHU, TERRITORY OF HAWAII, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 13

RELOCATED DURING NOVEMBER 1953 TO EL TORO, CALIFORNIA, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 15
1954 – 1960
REASSIGNED DURING OCTOBER 1954 TO 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING
DEPLOYED DURING OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 1954 TO ATSUGI, JAPAN
REASSIGNED DURING NOVEMBER 1954 TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 11, 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING
RELOCATED DURING JULY 1957 TO EL TORO, CALIFORNIA, AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 15, 3D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING
DEPLOYED DURING SEPTEMBER 1958 TO ATSUGI, JAPAN, AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 11, 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING
DEPLOYED DURING SEPTEMBER 1958 TO PING-TUNG, NORTH TAIWAN
REDEPLOYED DURING FEBRUARY 1959 TO ATSUGI, JAPAN
RELOCATED DURING NOVEMBER 1959 TO EL TORO, CALIFORNIA, AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 33, 3D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

1961 – 1997
REDESIGNATED 1 JULY 1961 AS MARINE ALL WEATHER FIGHTER SQUADRON 451
DEPLOYED DURING JANUARY 1962 TO ATSUGI, JAPAN, AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 11, 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING
RELOCATED DURING FEBRUARY 1963 TO BEAUFORT, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 31, 2D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING
PARTICIPATED IN THE INTERVENTION IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, APRIL-MAY 1965
REDESIGNATED 1 FEBRUARY 1968 AS MARINE FIGHTER ATTACK SQUADRON 451
PARTICIPATED IN OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD AND DESERT STORM, SOUTHWEST ASIA,
AUGUST 1990 – FEBRUARY 1991
DEACTIVATED 31 JANUARY 1997

2010 – 2015
REACTIVATED 1 APRIL 2010 AT VALPARAISO, FLORIDA, AND ASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 31, 2D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING
REDESIGNATED 2 APRIL 2010 AS MARINE FIGHTER ATTACK TRAINING SQUADRON 501
RELOCATED DURING JULY 2014 TO BEAUFORT, SOUTH CAROLINA

14 SEPTEMBER 2015

DATE

COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS
HONORS

AWARDED
MARINE FIGHTER ATTACK TRAINING SQUADRON 501

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION STREAMER

WORLD WAR II
USS BUNKER HILL – 1945

NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
1985

SOUTHWEST ASIA
1990 – 1991

1994 – 1997

MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

1977 – 1984
1984 – 1985

1985

1987 – 1989

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS

WORLD WAR II CAMPAIGN STREAMER

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

ARMED FORCES EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

SOUTHWEST ASIA SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE STREAMER

14 SEPTEMBER 2015
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Commandant of the Marine Corps