LINEAGE
OF
23D MARINES

1942 – 1945

ACTIVATED 20 JULY 1942 AT NEW RIVER, NORTH CAROLINA, AS 23D MARINES

ASSIGNED DURING FEBRUARY 1943 TO 4TH MARINE DIVISION

RELOCATED DURING JULY 1943 TO CAMP PENDELTON, CALIFORNIA

PARTICIPATED IN THE FOLLOWING WORLD WAR II CAMPAIGNS

KWAJALEIN
SAIPAN
TINIAN
IWO JIMA

RELOCATED DURING OCTOBER 1945 TO CAMP PENDELTON, CALIFORNIA

DEACTIVATED 15 NOVEMBER 1945

1966 – 2015

REACTIVATED 1 FEBRUARY 1966 AT ALAMEDA, CALIFORNIA, AND ASSIGNED TO
4TH MARINE DIVISION, U.S. MARINE CORPS RESERVE

MOBILIZED AND PARTICIPATED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD AND DESERT STORM, SOUTHWEST ASIA,
DECEMBER 1990 – APRIL 1991

RELOCATED DURING SEPTEMBER 1991 TO SAN RAFAEL, CALIFORNIA

RELOCATED DURING FEBRUARY 1996 TO SAN BRUNO, CALIFORNIA

ELEMENTS MOBILIZED IN SUPPORT OF THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM,
FEBRUARY 2002 – JUNE 2008

ELEMENTS MOBILIZED AND PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ, FEBRUARY-SEPTEMBER 2003,

ELEMENTS MOBILIZED AND PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM,
HORN OF AFRICA, 2005

ELEMENTS MOBILIZED AND PARTICIPATED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM,
BAHRAIN AND UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, APRIL 2011 – MAY 2012

14 SEPTEMBER 2015

DATE
HONORS
AWARDED
23D MARINES

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

WORLD WAR II
SAIPAN – TINIAN – 1944
IWO JIMA – 1945

MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER

SOUTHWEST ASIA
1990 – 1991

AMERICAN CAMPAIGN STREAMER

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH FOUR BRONZE STARS

WORLD WAR II VICTORY STREAMER

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

IRAQ CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE STREAMER

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