LINEAGE OF
2D BATTALION, 23D MARINES

1942 – 1945
ACTIVATED 22 JULY 1942 AT NEW RIVER, NORTH CAROLINA, AS 2D BATTALION, 23D MARINES
ASSIGNED DURING FEBRUARY 1943 TO 4TH MARINE DIVISION
RELOCATED DURING JULY 1943 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA
PARTICIPATED IN THE FOLLOWING WORLD WAR II CAMPAIGNS
KWAJALEIN
SAIPAN
TINIAN
IWO JIMA
RELOCATED DURING OCTOBER 1945 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA
DEACTIVATED 10 NOVEMBER 1945

1962 – 2015
REACTIVATED 1 JULY 1962 AT SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA, AND ASSIGNED TO 4TH MARINE DIVISION, U. S. MARINE CORPS RESERVE
RELOCATED DURING JANUARY 1973 TO ENCINO, CALIFORNIA
MOBILIZED DURING DECEMBER 1980 IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD AND DESERT STORM AND DEPLOYED TO OKINAWA, JAPAN
DEMOBILIZED DURING APRIL 1991 AND REDEPLOYED TO ENCINO, CALIFORNIA
MOBILIZED DURING FEBRUARY 2002 IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS NOBLE EAGLE AND ENDURING FREEDOM AND DEPLOYED TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA
DEPLOYED DURING FEBRUARY 2003 TO KUWAIT IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM
PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ, MARCH-MAY 2003
REDEPLOYED DURING JUNE 2003 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA
REDEPLOYED DURING AUGUST 2003 TO ENCINO, CALIFORNIA, AND DEMOBILIZED
MOBILIZED DURING DECEMBER 2008 AND PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ, APRIL-OCTOBER 2009
PARTICIPATED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, SOUTHWEST ASIA, MARCH-SEPTEMBER 2011
REDEPLOYED DURING SEPTEMBER 2011 TO ENCINO, CALIFORNIA, AND DEMOBILIZED

14 SEPTEMBER 2015
DATE

J. D. C.}
COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS
HONORS
AWARDED
2D BATTALION, 23D MARINES

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS

WORLD WAR II
SAIPAN – TINIAN 1944
IWO JIMA – 1945

IRAQ
2003

NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER

IRAQ
2009

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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