LINEAGE
OF
3D ASSAULT AMPHIBIAN BATTALION

1942 – 1946

ACTIVATED 16 SEPTEMBER 1942 AT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, AS 3D AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BATTALION AND ASSIGNED TO 3D MARINE DIVISION

RELOCATED DURING DECEMBER 1942 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

DEPLOYED DURING FEBRUARY-MARCH 1943 TO AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND

PARTICIPATED IN THE FOLLOWING WORLD WAR II CAMPAIGNS

BOUGAINVILLE
GUAM
IWO JIMA

DEPLOYED DURING MARCH 1945 TO MAUI, TERRITORY OF HAWAII

RELOCATED DURING FEBRUARY 1946 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

DEACTIVATED 1 MAY 1946

1952 – 1965

REACTIVATED 1 APRIL 1952 AT CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA, AND ASSIGNED TO FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC

REASSIGNED DURING OCTOBER 1955 TO 1ST MARINE DIVISION

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN THE CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS, OCTOBER-DECEMBER 1962
1966 – 1975
DEPLOYED DURING FEBRUARY 1966 TO CAMP SCHWAB, OKINAWA, JAPAN
DEPLOYED DURING MARCH 1966 TO THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
PARTICIPATED IN THE WAR IN VIETNAM, MARCH 1966 – JANUARY 1970
REDEPLOYED DURING FEBRUARY 1970 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA, AND
REASSIGNED TO 5TH MARINE EXPEDITIONARY BRIGADE
5TH MARINE EXPEDITIONARY BRIGADE REDESIGNATED DURING AUGUST 1970 AS
5TH MARINE AMPHIBIOUS BRIGADE
REASSIGNED DURING APRIL 1971 TO 1ST MARINE DIVISION

1976 – 2016
REDESIGNATED 30 DECEMBER 1976 AS 3D ASSAULT AMPHIBIAN BATTALION
PARTICIPATED IN OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD AND DESERT STORM, SOUTHWEST ASIA,
AUGUST 1990 – MARCH 1991
PARTICIPATED IN OPERATIONS IN SOMALIA, DECEMBER 1992 – APRIL 1993
AND JANUARY-MARCH 1995
DEPLOYED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, KUWAIT, JANUARY 2003
PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ, MARCH-MAY 2003
ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ, 2004 – 2008
ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, AFGHANISTAN, 2009 – 2013

12 JULY 2017

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COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS
HONORS

AWARDED

3D ASSAULT AMPHIBIAN BATTALION

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

WORLD WAR II
1945

VIETNAM
1966 – 1967
1968

IRAQ
2003

JOINT MERITORIOUS UNIT AWARD STREAMER

SOMALIA
1992 – 1993

NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER

SOUTHWEST ASIA
1990 – 1991

MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS

VIETNAM
1967 – 1968

1983 – 1985
2003 – 2004
ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH FOUR BRONZE STARS
WORLD WAR II VICTORY STREAMER
NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS
ARMED FORCES EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER
VIETNAM SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO SILVER STARS
SOUTHWEST ASIA SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS
AFGHANISTAN CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR
IRAQ CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR
GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER
GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE STREAMER
VIETNAM CROSS OF GALLANTRY WITH PALM STREAMER
VIETNAM MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION CIVIL ACTIONS STREAMER