

## An Introduction to Audie Murphy's Military Personnel Files File #1: Service Documents (June 1943 – August 1949)

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Each file consists of original scans of each page (front and back) of Audie Murphy's military personnel records, including duplicate pages.

Letters of inquiry and related materials to Audie Murphy's military personnel records have also been included by NARA.

The original NARA PDF file, nearly 500 megabytes in size, has been split into twelve smaller files because of the overall size.

The twelve files, as received from NARA, are ...

1. Service Documents (June 1943 – August 1949)
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6. Efficiency Records
7. Medical Records
8. Auxiliary Material
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10. Reference Correspondence (August 1972 – September 1979)
11. Reference Correspondence (February 1959 – September 2005)
12. Record of Index Form

All twelve of these files were provided by private benefactors to the Audie Murphy Research Foundation and can be downloaded at ...

<http://www.audiemurphy.com>

STATE OF Texas  
COUNTY OF Collin

Before me, the undersigned, an authority to administer oaths,  
appeared Audie Leon <sup>Cosimine Burns</sup> ~~Murphy~~ who after being  
~~(\$\$\$\$\$\$) Nearest Living Kin~~  
duly sworn according to law deposes and says: That \*I am ~~we~~ are the  
legal \*parent \*Parents \*guardian of Audie Leon <sup>Murphy</sup>. That the  
(Name of applicant)

said Audie Leon <sup>Murphy</sup> was born at Hard Co. Tex. That  
(Name of applicant) (Town, County & State)

the date of his birth is June 20, 1924. That \*I ~~we~~ give  
(Month, Day & Year)

\*my ~~our~~ unconditional consent for his enlistment in the U. S. Army for  
duration of war and six months. That \*I ~~we~~ know said Audie Leon <sup>Murphy</sup>  
(Name of applicant)

is \*Single \*~~Married~~ \*~~Widower~~ \* ~~Divorced~~. That he has NO children.

That he has NO Dependents of any kind. That the ~~\*Father \*Mother~~ Father & Mother  
of said Audie Leon <sup>Murphy</sup> ~~<sup>is deceased</sup>~~  
(Name of applicant)

Are Deceased & I, being the next living Kin who is of age, give my consent  
to his Enlistment.

Mrs Cosimine Burns  
(Signature of Father or Legal Guardian)

(Signature of Mother)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26 day of June 19 42  
The affiant is ~~are~~ by me well known to be the identical person(s)  
claimed herein to be.

Notary's Seal  
to appear here.

Martha Lawrence  
(Signature of Notary Public)

My commission expires 6/1/43

Strike out words not applicable.  
This affidavit must be filled in either with typewriter, ink or indelible  
pencil, and must be signed by all parties with INK or INDELIBLE PENCIL.

# ENLISTMENT RECORD

Jacket made

\*18-126-056

Do not enter anything in this column

PAR-VOL.

Murphy, Andie Leon 18,083,707 White  
(Last name) (First name) (Middle name) (Army serial number)\* (Race; see Instruction 6)

Home address Rt. 3 # Greenville, Hunt, Texas  
(See Instr. 3) (Number and street or rural route; if none, so state) (City, town, or post office) (County) (State)

\*Enlisted at Dallas, Texas, on the 30th day of June, 1942, Pvt.  
(In the grade of)

\*by B. H. Davis Major Inf. for Infantry (Parachute Troops) to serve and six months years  
(Company, regiment, and arm or service) (Word and figure)

\*for service in Infantry (Parachute Troops) Service completed for longevity pay No years No months.  
(If enlisted for service outside the United States, or in any particular service within his arm or service)

Last enlisted service in the Regular Army, Regular Army Reserve, or National Guard: English  
{Urban  {Rural  (Mother tongue)

None Date of discharge none  
(Company, regiment, and arm or service) (In the grade of)

\*To be filled out at place of enlistment. Make place and date of enlistment, name of enlisting officer, and period of enlistment the same as in oath.  
†Place "X" in box opposite urban if community of 2,500 population or greater; otherwise place "X" in box opposite rural.

## DECLARATION OF APPLICANT

(See Instruction 7)

- When and where were you born? June 20, 1924 Hunt Co., Texas  
(Date) (City, town, or county) (State or country)  
How old are you? 18 years 0 months.
- Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes  
What is your race? White (If a naturalized citizen, show how, when, and where naturalized)  
(See Instruction 6)
- What grade or year did you complete in: Grammar school 7yrs. High school 0 College or university 0
- What is your civilian trade or occupation? Farming How long did you work at it? 5yrs. Weekly wage? \$12.00
- What special military qualification or occupation have you? None  
(For example, cook, company clerk, radio operator, motor mechanic, airplane engine mechanic, supply sergeant)
- Are you single, married, widower, or divorced? Single Is anyone dependent on you for support? No State number and relationship
- Have you ever been convicted (a) of a felony? No (b) of any offense? No  
Have you ever been imprisoned under sentence of a civil court? No If so, where and when?  
Have you ever been discharged other than honorably from the United States military or naval service, the Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or National Guard in an active, inactive, or reserve status? No
- Have you ever served in the United States military or naval service, the Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or National Guard in an active, inactive, or reserve status? No  
If so, state last service, date, nature, and cause of separation therefrom
- Have you ever previously applied for enlistment and been rejected? No If so, give date, place, and cause of rejection
- Do you know that if you are rejected because of any disqualifications known to you and concealed from the accepting officer, you will not be furnished with return transportation to the place of acceptance? Yes
- Have you ever: Used cocaine, heroin, morphine, marihuana, or any habit-forming drug or narcotic; since childhood wet the bed while asleep; had gonorrhoea, sore on penis, convulsions or fits, or spells of unconsciousness; raised or spat up blood; had any illness, disease, or injury that required treatment at a hospital or asylum? No If answer to any part of the foregoing is "yes," give dates and ailment to which answer refers.
- To the best of your knowledge and belief, are you now sound and well? Yes If not, give details
- Do you know that if you secure your enlistment by means of any false statement, wilful misrepresentation, or concealment as to your qualifications for enlistment, you are liable to trial by court martial for fraudulent enlistment? Yes

I declare that I am not now a member of the Army (Regular Army Reserve excepted), Navy, Marine Corps, National Guard, or Coast Guard in an active, inactive, reserve, or retired status; that the foregoing questions and my answers thereto have been read to me; that my answers have been correctly recorded and are true in all respects and that I fully understand the conditions under which I am enlisting.

Given at Greenville, Texas, the place of acceptance, this 29th day of June, 1942

Witness: Roy A. Gann, T. Sgt. DEMI (RS) Signature of applicant: Andie L. Murphy  
(To be witnessed by recruiting officer) (Grade and organization) (First name) (Middle initial) (Last name)

Verified at Dallas, Texas by B. H. Davis Major Inf.  
(Recruiting officer) (Grade and organization) (See Instruction 7)

Canvasser ROY A. GANN Tech. 4th Grade  
(Name) (Grade)

Remarks: none

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# PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

1. Eye abnormalities none
2. Ear, nose, throat abnormalities none
3. Mouth and gum abnormalities none
4. Teeth {
 

Right	(Examinee's)	Left	
7 6 5 4 3 2 1		1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8*	(Strike out those that are missing; circle those that may be restored).
15 14 13 12 11 10 9		9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16*	
5. Skin normal
6. Varicose veins none
7. Hernia none
8. Hemorrhoids none
9. Genitalia normal
10. Feet normal
11. Musculo-skeletal defects none
12. Abdominal viscera normal
13. Cardiovascular system normal
14. Lungs, including X-ray, if made Minimal Tuberculosis Acceptable Under MR 109
15. Nervous system: reflexes, pupillary normal patellar normal
16. Endocrine disturbances none
17. Results of laboratory examinations, when made Kline neg.
18. Remarks on defects not sufficiently described above
19. Summary of defects in order of importance, impression of physical fitness

Vision:  
 Right eye 20/ 20  
 Left eye 20/ 20

Hearing:  
 Right ear 20 /20  
 Left ear 20 /20

Height 65½ in.  
 Weight 112 lb.

Girth (at nipples):  
 Inspiration 35 in.  
 Expiration 32 in.

Girth (at umbilicus) 27 in.

Posture erect  
 Frame slender

Color of hair brown  
 Color of eyes hazel  
 Complexion ruddy

Pulse: \*  
 Sitting 90  
 After exercise 132  
 2 min. after exercise 96

Blood pressure: \*  
 Systolic 118  
 Diastolic 60

Urinalysis:  
 Sp. gr. 1.015  
 Albumin neg.  
 Sugar neg.  
 Microscopic\*  
 Other data\*

\* When required.

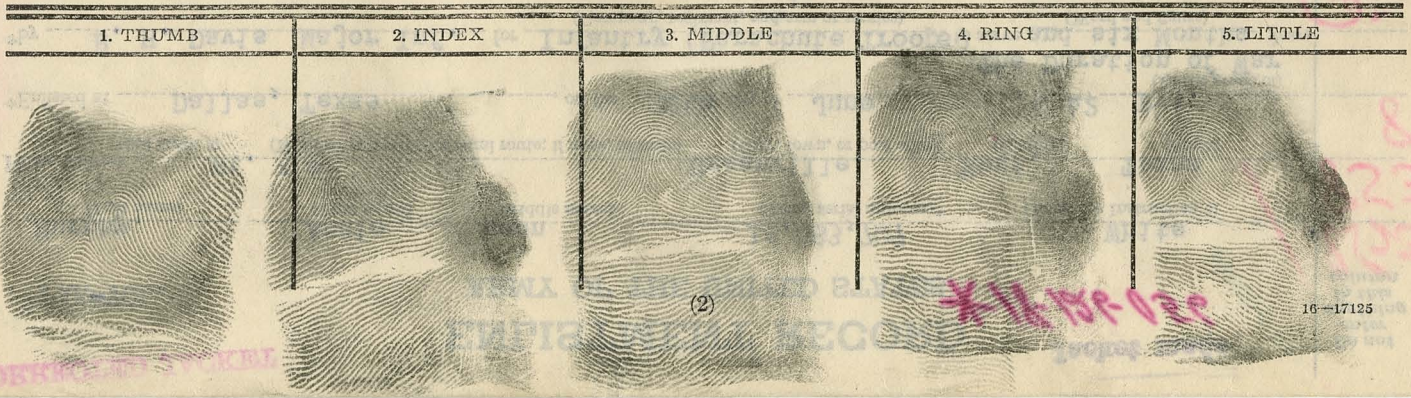
I certify that I have carefully examined the applicant and have correctly recorded the results of the examination; and that, to the best of my judgment and belief, the is mentally and physically qualified for service in the Army of the United States.

Place Dallas, Texas Signature P. H. Anderson  
 Date June 30, 1942 Name typed or stamped: P. H. Anderson Lt. Col. Medical Corps.  
 (Grade)

†Strike out clause not applicable. ‡Strike out word not applicable. #See Instruction 9.

## FINGERPRINTS—RIGHT HAND

Fingerprint impressions will be made in this space in the case of every man enlisting and reenlisting in the Army of the United States.



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\*11-108-122

OATH AND CERTIFICATE OF ENLISTMENT

State of TEXAS
City, Town, or Military Post DALLAS

I, \* Audie Leon Murphy, a citizen of the United States, do hereby acknowledge to have voluntarily enlisted this 30th day of June, 1942, as a soldier in the Army of the United States of America for the period of (word and figure) and Six (6) Months years under the conditions prescribed by law,

unless sooner discharged by proper authority; and do also agree to accept from the United States such bounty, pay, rations, and clothing as are or may be established by law. And I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America; that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all their enemies whomsoever; and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States, and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to the Rules and Articles of War.

Signature: Audie L. Murphy (First name) (Middle initial) (Last name)

I certify that the above oath was subscribed and duly sworn to before me this 30th day of June, A. D. 1942 I further certify that this soldier was minutely inspected by me previous to his subscription to the oath; that I found him entirely sober and in full possession of all his mental faculties; that to the best of my judgment and belief he fulfills all legal requirements, and that in enlisting him into the service of the United States I have strictly observed the regulations which govern the recruiting service. I further certify that the above oath, as filled in, was read to the applicant before his subscription thereto.

B. H. Davis Major Inf. Recruiting Officer. (Signature) (Name typed) (Grade and organization) (Summary court)

\* Carefully compare with name at top of page 1. † The dates in the oath and certificate must be the same. ‡ The signature must be identical with that subscribed to Declaration of Applicant.

NEAREST RELATIVE AND PERSON TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Nearest relative Corinne Burns (Other than wife or minor child) (Name in full) Relationship Sister Address (None) Farmersville, Texas (Number and street or rural route; if none, so state) (City, town, or post office) (State or country)

Person to be notified in case of emergency Corinne Burns (Name in full) Relationship Sister Address (none) Farmersville, Texas (Number and street or rural route; if none, so state) (City, town, or post office) (State or country)

DESIGNATION OF BENEFICIARY

The persons eligible to be my beneficiary are designated below:

- 1. none (Full name of wife; if no wife, or if she is deceased or divorced, so state) (Wife's full address)
2. none (Full name and address of each minor child, and each dependent child over 21 years of age. If there are no children, so state. If the address is the same as the wife's, so state. Do not repeat address.)

In the event of my leaving no widow or child, or their decease before payment is made, I then designate as my beneficiary the relative whose name, relationship, and address are shown below:

3. Corinne Burns (Sister) Farmersville, Texas (If designation of beneficiary is declined, enlisted man must state in own handwriting: "I decline to designate any person as my beneficiary." See Instruction 10.)

In the event of the death or disqualification of the last-named dependent relative before payment is made, I then designate as my beneficiary the relative whose name, relationship, and address are shown below:

4. Nadine Murphy (Sister) Farmersville, Texas (If beneficiary is named in line 3 but naming of alternate is declined, enlisted man must state in own handwriting: "I decline to designate an alternate beneficiary." See Instruction 10.)

Signature of enlisted man: Audie L. Murphy (First name) (Middle initial) (Last name)

Witnessed at Dallas, Texas on June 30, 1942, 19

(Signature of witness attesting) B. H. Davis Major Inf. Recruiting Officer. (Name of witness typed) (Grade and organization)

# INSTRUCTIONS

## GENERAL

See AR 600-750.

Care will be exercised by all concerned in the preparation of this form to obviate the necessity for returning it for correction. It will be carefully scrutinized after completion for errors and omissions and compared with the prescribed entries made from it on the Service Record (W. D., A. G. O. Form No. 24), which will be opened before this form is mailed to The Adjutant General. This form will be used for enlistments in the Army of the United States.

### FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE ENLISTMENT RECORD

1. An original enlistment record and one copy of pages 1 and 2 of the record will be prepared. Blue-black or black ink or typewriter ribbon only will be used. The duplicate copy will be clearly marked "Copy" in large red overprint letters diagonally across the face of the first page.
2. The complete record and duplicate copy of pages 1 and 2 will be forwarded to The Adjutant General by the recruiting officer with his daily report of enlistments (W. D., A. G. O. Form No. 13). The record of a rejected applicant will be marked REJECTED at the top of the first page of the original and the duplicate. The original and duplicate record of a rejected applicant having prior military service who is rejected for physical reasons will be forwarded to The Adjutant General. Only the duplicate record of an applicant having no prior military service, who is rejected for physical reasons, will be forwarded to The Adjutant General. Enlistment records of other rejected applicants will be filed at the place of rejection. The enlistment record will be mailed flat and will be accompanied only by such papers as are required in connection with the enlistment.
3. The name, race, home address, last service in the Army and declaration of the applicant will be filled out at the station where applicant is accepted for enlistment. The remainder of the record will be filled out at the depot, post, or station to which the applicant is sent for final physical examination and enlistment. Particular care will be taken to determine the bona fide home or residence of the applicant. "U. S. Army" will not be accepted as the home address.
4. The correct name of the applicant will be ascertained and it will be written and signed exactly as indicated in each place on the form. A trial signature will be required before signing the Enlistment Record. In the case of men reenlisting, if the enlisted man's name as signed on the record of reenlistment differs in any particular from the name as shown on the discharge certificate or other available evidence of prior service, a notation will be entered under "Remarks" on page 1 of this form showing the name under which prior service was rendered.
5. Service in the Army (see par. 8, page 1) includes service in the Regular Army, the Regular Army Reserve, National Guard, or National Army.
6. Race will be indicated as white, colored, Indian (referring to American Indian only), Puerto Rican, Cuban, Mexican, Hawaiian, Filipino, Japanese, Chinese, East Indian, etc. As here employed "colored" will include the American Negro, mulattoes, and others of negroid race or extraction. For mixed races, except mulattoes, the nationality will be considered as synonymous with the race; for example: Mexican, Filipino, etc. Asiatics, other than members of the white or Caucasian race, will as a rule be indicated by nationality; for example: Japanese, Chinese, East Indian, etc.
7. The declaration of the applicant will be taken before he has been stripped, and any statement indicating a possible cause for rejection will be followed up by searching inquiry and examination and the result noted on the record. This declaration may be taken at a substation by an enlisted man designated by the recruiting officer, if no commissioned officer is available, in which case the enlisted man will sign as "Witness," but the recruiting officer must verify the statements of the applicant before enlistment.
8. The physical examination will conform to the provisions of AR 40-105. Deviations from normal, though not a cause for rejection, will be noted under the proper headings.
9. Under the heading "Remarks" (page 2) will be noted any authorized waiver of defects, the nature of the authority being stated. The space under "Remarks" will also be used for continuation of a statement for which the allotted space is insufficient and for any further statement that the examining officer may desire to make.

### FOR THE PREPARATION OF DESIGNATION OF BENEFICIARY

10. A friend, a guardian (as such), an institution or an estate is not eligible for designation as a beneficiary; the beneficiary must be a relative of the enlisted man and dependent upon him for support. The word "dependent" will be construed as potential, as distinct from an actual dependency referred to under paragraph 6, Declaration of Applicant. For each beneficiary such as wife or child designation will be made showing the name and address of person or persons eligible, or the word "None" will be written in the proper space. The information on lines 1, 2, and 3 will conform to answers in paragraph 6 of Declaration of Applicant regarding conjugal condition. If the enlisted man does not desire to designate a beneficiary other than wife or child he will be required to make the following statement on line 4 in his own handwriting: "I decline to designate any person as my beneficiary." If he names a beneficiary on line 4 but does not desire to designate an alternate beneficiary he will be required to make the following statement on line 5 in his own handwriting: "I decline to designate an alternate beneficiary."
11. Names and addresses will be legibly written, typewriter being used when practicable. Except in signatures, names will be written in full, and street and house number, if any, will be given.
12. The signature of the enlisted man will be witnessed by the recruiting officer or other available commissioned officer.
13. Designations duly made and filed under the act will continue to be valid and sufficient during the term of enlistment for which made until the enlisted man is separated from active service, or until a change among the persons eligible as beneficiary, addition thereto, or discontinuance of eligibility occurs, in which event redesignation of beneficiary will be made on Designation of Beneficiary (W. D., A. G. O. Form No. 41).

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INDIVIDUAL LIST OF DISPOSITION OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE

NAME MURPHY AUDIE L 18083707  
 RANK Pvt. CO D ORG 59th Tng Bn

ARTICLES	Check- ed in	Check- ed Out	Miss- ing	Pt's Init's	ARTICLES	Check- ed in	Check- ed Out	Miss- ing	Pt's Init's
Belt Waist					Bag Barrack				
Breeches, COD Pr					Belt, cart 300				
Breeches, EOD Pr					Belt, Pistol				
Cap, Service Ea					Belt, Leather				
Coat, COD Ea					Canteen				
Coat, WOD Ea					Carrier Pack				
Coat, Fatigue Ea					Case Pillow				
Collar Ea					Clothing Bag				
Cord Hat Ea					Cup				
Cravat Ea					Fork				
Drawers Pr					Haversack				
Gloves Pr					Knife				
Handkerchief Ea					Meat Can				
Hat, Fatigue Ea					Overcoat OD				
Hat, Service Ea					Raincoat				
Laces, Leggin Pr					Spoon				
Laces, Shoe Pr					Tent, Shel. Hlf				
Leggins Ea					Rope, Shel. hlf				
Shirt, Cotton Ea					Coats, W. Duck				
Shirt, flan. OD Ea					Trous. W. Duck				
Shoes Pr					Boots, Rubber				
Stockings, C Pr					Mackinaw CWL				
Stockings LtW Pr					Gloves, Leather				
Towel Ea									
Trous, C Pr									
Trous, fatigue Pr									
Undershirts, C Ea									
Undershirts, W Ea									
Trous, WOD Pr									

DATE July 10, 1942

WARD B-29

Received above checked property in full:

*Pauline Mitchell*  
 WARDMASTER  
~~7-15-42~~ 7-15-42  
*Audie L. Murphy*  
 PATIENT  
*Pauline Mitchell*  
 WARDMASTER

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
CONFIDENTIAL

HEADQUARTERS  
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS  
UNITED STATES ARMY

RPF/AHC/ebe

AG 311.4 X

16 September 1943

SUBJECT: Clearance Through Customs on Leaving and Entering the United States of Official Couriers, Military Personnel, and Civilian Personnel Under Jurisdiction of the War Department Who are Carrying Classified Material.

TO : Commanding Generals:  
SOS, ETOUSA,  
Eighth Air Force,  
V Corps,  
Iceland Base Command.  
Commanding Officer, European Wing, Air Transport Command.  
Commanding Officer, U.S. Assault Training Center, ETOUSA.  
Commandant, American School Center.

1. Letters, this headquarters, dated 24 February 1943, 18 May 1943 and 9 July 1943, file as above, subject: "Clearance of Army Officer Couriers and Civilian Personnel under Jurisdiction of the War Department through Customs on Leaving and Entering the United States" are rescinded.

2. In order to eliminate delay in the clearance through Customs of official couriers, military personnel, civilian employees of the War Department, and civilian employees of contractors for the War Department on leaving and entering the United States, and to provide a method by which matters of official military nature can be licensed and passed by Customs without examination, the following procedure has been established and is now in effect:

a. Official Couriers.

(1) Military personnel acting in the capacity of a special courier will bear a letter signed by or by authority of the Secretary of War, the Under Secretary of War, an Assistant Secretary of War, the Chief of Staff, the Commanding General of the Army Ground Forces, the Commanding General of the Army Air Forces, the Commanding General of the Army Service Forces, an Assistant Chief of Staff of the War Department General Staff, the Chiefs of the supply and administrative services, a general officer, the commanding officer of a depot post, camp, station, or independent command, the commandant of a general or special service school, the chief of a military mission, a military attache, or a military observer, a Courier Transfer Officer, a Military Intelligence (Certifying) Officer, or their respective executive officers certifying to the official capacity of the courier. This letter will also describe by package or letter numbers the exterior covers of any official documents that are desired to be exempted from examination by Customs. (See paragraph (3) below).

(2) Each package or envelope containing official matter that is to be exempted from examination will bear on its exterior cover the inscription: "Official United States Army Communication Exempted from Censorship", followed by the signature and official title of the Commanding Officer or his executive officer dispatching the documents by special courier.

(3) In order to establish a uniform procedure to comply with the requirements of paragraphs (1) and (2) above, the following is submitted as a guide:

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War Department  
HEADQUARTERS ARMY GROUND FORCES  
Washington 25, D.C.

311.4

August 24, 1943

Subject: To Identify (Captain John Smith) as an Official Army Courier.

To: Collector, U.S. Bureau of Customs, (Port of Departure or Entry).

1. The above named person is acting in an official capacity as courier for this headquarters and is carrying two packages and one letter. The packages are addressed as follows: No. 1, To the Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command, from The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, D. C.; No. 2, To the Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command, from the Commanding General, Army Ground Forces, War Department, Washington, D.C. The letter is addressed to the Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command, from the Commanding General, Army Service Forces, War Department, Washington, D.C.

2. Each of the above items is further identified by the inscription on the cover "Official United States Communication to be Exempted from Censorship", followed by the signature and title of the respective commanding officers or executive officers.

For the Commanding General:

JOHN ADAMS,  
Major, Infantry,  
Executive Officer.

(4) All other communications carried by official couriers will be surrendered to the Customs officers at the port of departure or entry into the United States. When any other documents which are official in character and necessary in the interest of our war effort, including confidential and secret orders are found, Customs will immediately request the nearest Military Intelligence Service Branch Office, or District Office, or representative thereof, for certification as to their official nature and exemption from censorship examination.

b. Military Personnel.

(1) If military personnel arrive at ports of departure or entry without complying with the provisions of sub-paragraph a (1) and (2) above, all personal documents will be surrendered to Customs for censorship examination. When classified official documents or documents claimed by the traveler to be official in character and necessary in the interest of our war effort are found Customs will immediately request the nearest Military Intelligence Service Branch Office, or District Office, or representative thereof, for certification and exemption from censorship examination.

c. Civilian Personnel.

(1) Civilian personnel, employed by the War Department or by contractors for the War Department, will upon arriving at ports of departure or entry, surrender all personal documents to Customs for censorship examination. When classified official documents or documents claimed to be official in character and necessary in the interest of our war effort are found, Customs will immediately request the nearest Military Intelligence Service Branch

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Office, or District Office, or representative thereof, for certification and exemption from censorship examination.

3. The attention of all personnel concerned is invited to the following:

a. Customs regulations provide that an exemption from Customs duty for \$100 worth of merchandise is granted returning residents of the United States. Such exemption may, however, be claimed only once in any 30 day period. All items of merchandise acquired abroad must be declared to Customs officers at the Port of entry into the United States.

b. Communications being sent by one individual to another individual, by an office to an individual, or by an individual to an office are not official and must be turned over to Customs officers for examination. No mail of this nature should be in packages of official communications which are desired to be exempted from examination by Customs.

c. The carrying of personal communications for other individuals is specifically prohibited by paragraph 8b, WD., TC 15, 1943, which is quoted below:

"Private communications originating in, or destined for, a theater of operations will be transmitted only by means of authorized systems of communication, such as the Army Postal Service, approved telephone, telegraph, express, cable, or radio systems. They will not under any circumstances be dispatched from a theater of operations by any means other than those authorized. Persons guilty of using unauthorized means of communications to evade censorship will be disciplined as will those who act as unauthorized messengers conveying such communications to another".

d. All personal documents taken by Customs from military personnel or civilian personnel employed by the War Department or by contractors for the War Department will be referred by Customs to the nearest District Postal Censorship Station or Traveler Censorship Station for examination and recommendation as to disposition, or will be acted upon by Customs.

4. All commanders will at the time of issuing orders directing travel to or from the continental United States, inform personnel affected by the travel orders of the provisions of this letter.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

s/ RICHARD P. FISK  
t/ RICHARD F. FISK,  
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.,  
Assistant Adjutant General.

DISTRIBUTION:

Each addressee (2)  
G-1 (1)  
G-2 (1)  
G-3 (1)  
AG-X (1)  
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AG-Records (1)  
CO, 24th Army Airways Communications Squadron (1)  
Military Attache (1)  
Traffic Officer, Prestwick (1)  
Courier Transfer Officer, Prestwick (1)

C O N F I D E N T I A L

1. NAME	2. SERIAL NUMBER	3. GRADE	4. ARM OR SERVICE	5. REP. THEATER		
MURPHY AUDIE L	18083707	S SG	INF	NAT		
6. PLACE OF CASUALTY	7. DATE OF CASUALTY			8. FLYING OR JUMPING STATUS	9. TYPE OF CASUALTY	10. SHIPMENT NO.
FRANCE 6	DAY	MO.	YEAR	V	LWA	240
	15	SEP	44			

"TYPE OF CASUALTY" CODE (ITEM 9 ABOVE)

ALW -Alive and Well	INT -Interned	SIA -Seriously Injured in Action
CAP -Captured	KIA -Killed in Action	SIG -Seriously Ill (Gas Casualty)
DOI -Died of Injuries	MIA -Missing in Action	SLI -Slightly Injured in Action
DOW -Died of Wounds	POW -Prisoner of War	SLW -Slightly Wounded in Action
EVC -Evacuated	RTD -Returned to Duty	SWA -Seriously Wounded in Action

"FLYING OR JUMPING STATUS" CODE (ITEM 8 ABOVE)

A- Pilot, Co-Pilot or Command Pilot	F- Photographer	K- Gunner
B- Navigator	G- Radio Operator Gunner	L- All others on Flying or Jumping status not included above
C- Bombardier	H- Engineer Gunner	Z- Not on Flying or Jumping Status
D- Observer	I- Armorer Gunner	
E- Flight Surgeon	J- Qualified Paratroops on Jumping Status	

ACTION BY RECORD SECTION: Report verified \_\_\_\_\_

Previously Reported Classification NO YES (As Indicated Below):  
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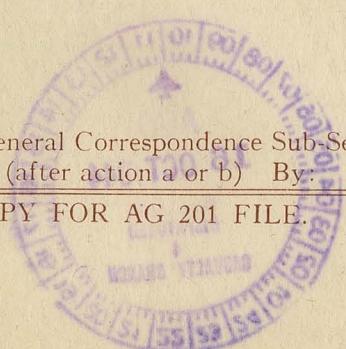
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100000000		S		U.S. ARMY	
DATE OF CASUALTY		TYPE OF CASUALTY		LOCATION	
1950 05 05		Killed in Action		Saigon	
DAY	MO	YEAR	TYPE OF CASUALTY	LOCATION	
05	05	1950	Killed in Action	Saigon	

TYPE OF CASUALTY CODE (ITEM 4 ABOVE)

KIA - Killed in Action  
 MIA - Missing in Action  
 POW - Prisoner of War  
 RFD - Returned to Duty  
 RIF - Retired  
 SIA - Seriously Wounded in Action  
 SLI - Slightly Wounded in Action  
 SSI - Seriously Injured in Action

PLACING OR LEAVING STATUS CODE (ITEM 8 ABOVE)

E - Flight Surgeon  
 D - Observer  
 C - Bombardier  
 B - Navigator  
 A - Command Pilot  
 F - Photographer  
 G - Radio Operator/Gunner  
 H - Engineer/Gunner  
 I - Armorer/Gunner  
 J - Qualified Paratrooper  
 K - Gunner  
 L - All others on Flying or Landing status not included above

ACTION BY RECORD SECTION Report verified

YES NO  
 (As Indicated Below)

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

18-126-056  
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BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

NAME <b>MURPHY AUDIE L</b>				SERIAL NUMBER <b>18083707</b>			GRADE <b>S SC</b>		ARM OR SERVICE <b>NAT</b>		REPORTING THEATRE	
PLACE OF CASUALTY				DATE OF CASUALTY DAY MONTH YEAR <b>27 SEP 44</b>			FLYING OR JUMPING STAT		TYPE OF CASUALTY <b>RTD</b>		SHIPMENT NUMBER <b>250</b>	

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED ABOVE DESIGNATED THE FOLLOWING PERSON AS THE ONE TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, AND THE OFFICIAL TELEGRAPHIC AND LETTER NOTIFICATIONS WILL BE SENT TO THIS PERSON. THE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, IS SHOWN BELOW. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THIS PERSON IS NOT NECESSARILY THE NEXT-OF-KIN OR RELATIVE DESIGNATED TO BE PAID SIX MONTHS' PAY GRATUITY IN CASE OF DEATH

MR.-MRS.-MISS—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE INITIAL—LAST NAME				RELATIONSHIP				DATE NOTIFIED			
NO. AND NAME OF STREET—CITY—STATE											

REMARKS:

CORRECTED COPY

ACTION BY PROCESSING AND VERIFICATION SECTION: REPORT VERIFIED  FORM 43 AG 201 REQ \_\_\_\_\_  
CASUALTY BRANCH FILE ATTACHED \_\_\_\_\_ OR CHARGED TO \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED NO \_\_\_\_\_ YES  (AS INDICATED BELOW):  
FILE NO. MESSAGE NO. TYPE DATE AND AREA E. A. NOTIFIED  
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THIS SPACE FOR USE OF MACHINE RECORDS BRANCH, A.G.O.

ACCT. AREA	CASUALTY STATUS	ORIGINAL CAS. DATE			MESSAGE NO.	LATEST CAS. DATE			REFERENCE AREA	CREW POS.	RESIDENCE		COMP	RACE											
		DAY	MO.	YR.		DAY	MO.	YR.			STATE	COUNTY													
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W.D., A.G.O. FORM NO. 0365  
16 JUNE 1944

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NO. 1401 E 5119

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# OATH OF OFFICE

ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES  
(Temporary)

INDICATE PERMANENT STATUS BY CHECK MARK	
Regular <del>Army</del> AUS	X
National Guard, U. S.	
Officers' Reserve Corps	

I, AUDIE LEON MURPHY, having been appointed temporarily a  
 2nd Lieutenant (All names in full) in the Army of the United States, do solemnly swear (~~or affirm~~) that I will support and  
 (Grade) defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true  
 faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose  
 of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter:  
 SO HELP ME GOD.

*Audie Leon Murphy*  
 (Signature) (Grade and organization or arm or service)  
 AUDIE LEON MURPHY, 2nd Lieut., 15th Infantry






Sworn to and subscribed before me, at APO #3, c/o P.M., N.Y., N.Y. this 14th day  
 of October, 1944

*G. G. Coen*  
 G. G. COEN,  
 1st Lieut., 15th Infantry,  
 Asst. Adjutant.

RETURN THROUGH CHANNELS

### FINGERPRINTS—Right Hand

(See AR 345-120)

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*Murphy*

FILE  
 OFFICERS' BRANCH  
 App't & Induct. Br.  
 Record Section 4423

22 JAN 1945

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## INSTRUCTIONS

This form will be executed in full upon the acceptance of a commission or appointment in the Army of the United States. Typewriter will be used, if available.

### FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE

1. Whenever any person is elected or appointed to an office of honor or trust under the Government of the United States, he is required, before entering upon the duties of his office, to take and subscribe the oath prescribed by section 1757, Revised Statutes.

2. Oaths of office of Army officers, nurses, and warrant officers should be taken before some civil officer who is authorized by the laws of the United States or by the local municipal law to administer oaths; or before a judge advocate or acting judge advocate, the president of a general or special court martial, a summary court martial, the judge advocate, or assistant judge advocate of a general or special court martial, or the adjutant of a command. Officers of the Army other than those specified are not authorized by law to administer such oaths.

3. Confirmation by the Senate does not of itself continue in force a recess appointment and commission. A new and distinct appointment after confirmation is necessary and a new oath of office must be executed for such appointment.

4. Immediately on receipt of a commission or notification of appointment the appointee will, in case of acceptance of the commission or appointment, return to The Adjutant General the oath of office on this form properly filled in, subscribed, and attested. In case of non-acceptance, the commission or notification of appointment will be returned to The Adjutant General by a letter indicating the fact of such non-acceptance.

HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY  
APO 758 US Army

WGC/CTM/wjk

AG 210.1 PERS

14 October 1944.

SUBJECT: Combat Appointment.

THRU : Commanding General, 3rd Infantry Division, APO 3.

TO : S/Sgt, Audie L. Murphy, 18083707, 15th Infantry.

1. By direction of the President and pursuant to authority contained in letter Headquarters NATOUSA, 16 May 1944, subject: Authority to Make Combat Appointments and Promotions in the AUS, file AG 210.1/479 -P, you, having clearly demonstrated your fitness for commissioned grade through outstanding performance in actual combat, are hereby temporarily appointed a Second Lieutenant in the Army of the United States. This appointment, unless sooner terminated, will terminate automatically at the expiration of the present emergency and six months thereafter. Your serial number is 01692509.

2. This letter should be retained by you as evidence of your appointment as no commissions will be issued during the period of the war.

By Command of Lieutenant General PATCH:



W. G. CALDWELL,  
Colonel, AGD,  
Adjutant General.

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## R-E-S-T-R-I-C-T-E-D

SPECIAL ORDERS )

HEADQUARTERS THIRD INFANTRY DIVISION

NUMBER 259 )

APO #3

14 October 1944

1. DP announcement is made of the temp apmt of the following named EM as Second Lieutenants, AUS, effective 14 Oct 44 with rank fr 14 Oct 44. Each is ordered to ED effective 14 Oct 44 for the duration of the war and six months thereafter, unless sooner reld, and is asgd to orgn indicated. Auth: Ltr Hq Seventh Army, 14 Oct 44, file AG 210.1 PERS, Subj: "Combat Appointments".

Name	Orgn	Asgd to	Branch	Off ASN
Richard J. Young T/Sgt, 36 618 577	15th Inf	15th Inf	Inf	01 692 510
Jesse K. Woods T/Sgt, 38 217 282	15th Inf	15th Inf	Inf	01 692 511
Royal P. Kent T/Sgt, 38 032 624	15th Inf	15th Inf	Inf	01 692 508
Audie L. Murphy S/Sgt, 18 083 707	15th Inf	15th Inf	Inf	01 692 509
Edward P. Kirby S/Sgt, 36 878 777	30th Inf	30th Inf	Inf	01 692 512

2. Having rptd in compliance with par 1 g (1), Sec II, Cir 82, Hq NATOUSA, cs, VOCCG on dates indicated, assigning the following named EM to orgns as indicated, are hereby made of record:

7th Inf

S/Sgt Harry H. Staples, 37 229 332, Co E	30 Sep 44
Pfc George M. Linn, 37 235 390, Hq Co	3 Oct 44
Pvt L. C. Williams, 6 921 884, Hq 2d Bn	"
Pvt Charles L. Inghelram, 36 545 291, Co E	"
Pfc William C. Renick, 31 226 804, Co K	"
Pvt Raymond C. Pelton, 32 852 767, Co K	"
Pvt George Baccash, 31 338 363, Co C	4 Oct 44
Pfc George E. Smith, 31 370 058, Co G	"
Pvt Harold T. Thiessen, 32 921 054, Co G	"
Pfc James H. Hill, 35 895 990, Co L	"
Sgt John P. Jones, 34 722 545, Co H	5 Oct 44
Pfc Neil E. Styer, 33 830 767, Co F	"
Pfc Merle J. Mock, 35 227 585, MD	"
Pfc Thomas G. Brown, 33 574 753, Co G	"
Pfc Frank Acker, 33 436 436, Co G	"
Pfc Richard J. Lane, 31 389 486, Co F	"
Pfc William R. Deubner, Jr., 35 796 128, Co F	"
Pfc David E. Enberg, 31 030 871, Co B	6 Oct 44
Pvt Hugh P. Clancy, 33 595 224, Co A	"
S/Sgt Weldon E. Bloom, 6 943 156, Co C	7 Oct 44
S/Sgt Russell W. Elick, 35 650 428, Co A	"
T/4 Herbert M. Shaifer, 19 030 318, Hq Co	"
Pfc Arthur J. Dupray, 31 339 915, Hq Co	"
Pfc Carlos H. Brooks, 34 822 890, Co B	"

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SO 259, Hq 3d Inf Div  
14 Oct (Par 2, cont'd)

7th Inf (cont'd)

S/Sgt Henry Himmerick Jr., 17 006 019, Co G	7 Oct 44
Pfc Sam Kowalski, 36 374 925, Co G	"
Pfc Manuel A. Quinonez, 39 265 769, Co F	"
Pfc John H. Lavery, 33 797 245, Co F	"
Pfc Jerry A. De Meglio, 32 822 470, Co E	"
Pfc Donald E. Laws, 36 380 474, Co E	"
Pfc Martin C. Yates, 37 154 105, Sv Co	"
Pvt Harry J. Herbin, 36 546 965, Co E	"
Pvt Stephen S. Warbeck, 31 285 030, Co G	"
Pvt Gordon E. Van Etten, 12 021 059, Hq 2d Bn	"
Pvt Anthony G. Kubalinas, 31 074 151, Hq 2d Bn	"
Sgt Robert C. Wright, 39 336 647, Co K	"
Pfc James W. Harris, 39 711 604, Co L	"
Pfc Andrew J. Kirchner, 35 759 356, Co K	"
Pvt Roy Carter, 34 408 320, Co L	"
Pvt Elmer C. Sexton, 33 797 486, Co L	"
Pvt Louis A. Dehm, 31 381 193, Co L	"
Pvt Anselmo Gonzales Jr., 17 092 108, Co L	"
Sgt Ralph M. Brown, 15 354 254, Hq 1st Bn	8 Oct 44
Pfc Blair F. Addor, 31 308 492, Co D	"
Pfc Reino A. Luoma, 32 755 786, Co A	"
Pfc Dewey W. Olson, 34 392 037, Co A	"
Pfc James F. Vaughan, 31 884 037, Co A	"
Pfc Donald T. Moose, 33 502 602, Co A	"
Pfc Harvey R. Cain, 34 603 780, Co A	"
Pvt Robert L. Pate Jr., 34 770 282, Co A	"
Pvt Kenneth D. Hulings, 33 434 187, Co A	"
T/5 Elmer D. Nations, 34 506 721, MD	"
Pfc Durell Franks, 38 321 987, Co H	"
Pfc Chester E. Lee, 38 588 953, Co H	"
Pvt Frank Cagnina, 32 926 197, Co H	"
Pvt Victor A. Wady, 32 257 200, Co H	"
Pvt Young Kinder, 35 643 278, MD	"
Pvt Harold L. Reed, 37 337 175, MD	"
Pfc George B. Bye, 33 793 704, Co I	"
Pvt Thomas A. Troth, 39 141 090, Co I	"

15th Inf

Pfc Charles J. Badorek, 31 306 572, Co G	9 Oct 44
Pvt James W. Blackwell, 33 535 526, Co F	"
Pfc James R. Bailcy, 35 637 986, Co F	"
Pvt James V. Borino, 33 611 288, Co F	"
Pvt Nicholas J. Cassese Jr., 32 992 441, Co M	"
Pvt Robert H. Cordell, 34 765 039, Co G	"
Pfc Paul E. Haller, 35 229 390, Co F	"
Pfc Kenneth L. Kyle, 34 492 376, Co G	"
Pvt William D. Morris, 35 872 414, Co E	"
Sgt James P. Pierce, 34 721 185, Co L	"
Sgt Leonard J. Sidor, 36 573 040, Co I	"
Pfc Homer C. McCleary, 39 600 360, Co B	"

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SO 259, Hq 3d Inf Div  
14 Oct 44 (cont'd)

5. Having rptd to this Hq in compliance with par 46, SO 54, Hq 24th Repl Depot, 18 Sep 44, VOOG 9 Oct 44, assigning Sgt Wilfred H. Longsdorff, 33 509 232 to 7th Inf, as a rotation replacement for Sgt Leaborn D. Mason, 6 956 168, are hereby made of record.

6. Having rptd to this Hq in compliance with par 22, SO 257, Hq 2nd Repl Depot, 27 Sep 44, VOOG 2 Oct 44, assigning the following named EM to Med Det, Special Troops, are hereby made of record:

T/4 John A. Erickson, 39 386 069  
Pfc Robert L. Eavey, 13 00L 222  
Pvt Eduardo Z. Schmidt, 39 415 773

T/5 LeRoy S. Leavitt, 33 277 571  
Pvt Adam M. Leptuch, 6 997 442

By command of Major General O'DANIEL:

CHARLES E. JOHNSON,  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff.



S. J. ROGERS,  
Major, A. G. D.,  
Adjutant General.

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REPORT OF ENTRY ON ACTIVE DUTY  
(par 119b, AR 140-5)

APO 3, c/o P.M., N.Y., N.Y.  
(Place)

83

14 October 1944  
(Date)

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TO: The Adjutant General,  
Washington, D.C.

ATTENTION: APPOINTMENT & INDUCTION BRANCH

NAME: AUDIE LEON MURPHY 0-1 692 509  
(First) (Middle) (Last) (Serial No)

GRADE AND BRANCH: 2nd Lieutenant Infantry AUS  
(Grade) (Branch) (ORC, NGUS, or AUS)

AUTHORITY: Par 1 SO 259 HQ Third Infantry Division, dtd 14 Oct 44.  
(Date of Order)

DATE OF ENTRY UPON ACTIVE DUTY: 14 October 1944

*Rank 14 Oct 44*

**NOTED** JAN 12 1945  
*CFM 4336  
AHI*

*G. G. Conn*  
G. G. CONN,  
1st Lieut., 15th Infantry  
Personnel Officer.

1 Incl:  
Par 1 SO 259 HQ Third Infantry Division, dtd 14 Oct 44 (Dup)  
(Date)

*incl #1*

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# CASUALTY MESSAGE TELEGRAM

FROM WAR DEPARTMENT

BUREAU A. G. O.

CHG. APPROPRIATION

ST 3818

OFFICIAL BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT RATES  
SPXPC-N

AG 201 MURPHY AUDIE L  
ASN 18 083 707

7 OCT/44

NAT 240

8 OCTOBER 1944  
DATE

MRS CORINNE BURNS  
GENERAL DELIVERY  
FARMERSVILLE TEXAS

REGRET TO INFORM YOU YOUR

BROTHER

(RELATIONSHIP)

STAFF SERGEANT

(GRADE)

(NAME)

AUDIE L MURPHY

WAS

SLIGHTLY

WOUNDED IN ACTION

FIFTEEN SEPTEMBER

(DATE)

IN FRANCE

(LOCALITY)

YOU WILL BE ADVISED AS REPORTS OF CONDITION ARE RECEIVED

Harriet M. West  
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OFFICIAL:

J. A. ULIO

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

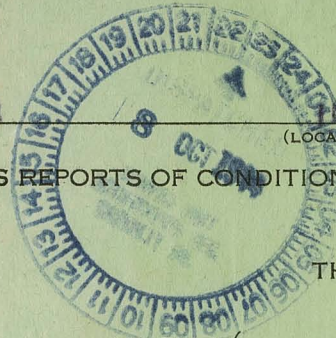
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HWW 10/15/44  
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Combat Infantryman Badge awarded

7 39

15th Inf., dtd

8 May 44

*[Signature]*

HQ

Sex Morality

Date

MAY 2 1944

*[Signature]*

Sol W.D.G. (LW Left heel) in former  
on 15 Sept 1944 *[Signature]*

Sol entitled to Purple Heart award.

no record of award. *[Signature]*

26 May 44

# PERSONNEL PLACEMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

RATING

Detailed answers should be made as the action taken by the War Department will depend upon the completeness of the information furnished.

Where more space is needed, attach additional sheets.

If practicable, attach a recent photograph showing on back thereof date it was made

(Print or type answers to questions.) Boxes in broken lines for use of War Department only

17 October 1944

(Date of application)

1. Name Murphy Audie Leon  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Army serial No. (if any) 0-1 692 509

Mailing address Farmersville, Texas  
(Number) (Street) (City) (State)

Legal or voting residence Texas Hunt  
(State) (County)

Person to be notified in case of emergency:

Name Mrs. Poland Burns Relationship sister

Address Farmersville, Texas

2. (a) Birth 20 June 1924 Texas

(b) Age last birthday 20 (Date) (Place: State or name of country at time of birth)

3. (a) Parental nativity: Country of mother's birth Texas USA

Country of father's birth Texas USA

(b) If married, country of wife's birth Not Married

4. State whether or not you are a citizen of the United States and whether by birth or naturalization. (If the latter, append evidence of naturalization, or if evidence not available, state on what date and in what court naturalized.) By Birth

5. Marital status (indicate by "X"): Single X Married \_\_\_\_\_ Separated \_\_\_\_\_  
 Divorced \_\_\_\_\_ Widowed \_\_\_\_\_

6. Dependents (number completely dependent on you other than wife) None

7. Race: White X Negro \_\_\_\_\_ Indian \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

8. In what fields and in what capacity do you consider that you could be of special service to the Government? (List in order of ability.)

FIELD

Prof. Soldier

REASONS

2 1/2 years service in the Army

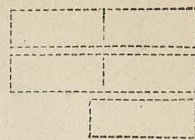
9. (a) Chronological statement of service in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, including service as a cadet at U. S. Military or Naval Academy, National Naval Volunteers, National Guard in Federal service, as a Reserve officer on active duty, or at military training camps, or as a contract surgeon serving full time, or as a student in the C. M. T. C. or R. O. T. C., Basic Course, Advanced Course, and Advanced Course camp, giving inclusive dates for each day, month, and year, if practicable, from your personal records. Do not write to War Department for exact data.

DATES		Highest grade	Organization (include arm or service)	Duty	Full name and grade of immediate commanding officer
From-	To-				
6/30/42	5/6/43	Pvt	Co B, 15th Inf	Rifleman	Capt Ralph G. Hillmer
5/7/43	7/14/43	Pfc	Co B, 15th Inf	Rifleman	Capt Ellsworth W. Dimmitt
7/15/43	12/12/43	Cpl	Co B, 15th Inf	Squad leader	1st Lieut. Gordon T. Miller
12/13/43	1/12/44	Sgt	Co B, 15th Inf	Squad leader	1st Lieut. Gordon T. Miller
1/13/44	10/13/44	S/Sgt	Co B, 15th Inf	Plt Sgt	Capt. Paul G. Harris
10/14/44	10/17/44	2nd Lt.	Co B, 15th Inf	Plt Ldr	Capt. Paul G. Harris





19. *Experience:* In the space furnished below, give a record of important employment, both public and private, which you have had. **Start with your present position and work back to the first position you held.** Describe your field of work and position and give your duties and responsibilities in such detail as to make your qualifications clear.



*Present position:*

Place AP0 #3, c/o P.M., N.Y., N.Y. Exact title of position Plt Ldr  
(City) (State)  
 Salary: Starting \$ 165.00 per Month  
 Final \$ 165.00  
 From Oct 44 to Oct 44  
(Month) (Year) (Month) (Year)  
 Duties and responsibilities Plt Ldr  
 Name of employer U. S. Army  
 Address AP0 #3, c/o P.M., N.Y., N.Y.  
 Kind of business or organization U. S. Army  
 Number and class of employees you supervised 38 Enlisted men  
 Name and title of your immediate supervisor Capt. Paul G. Harris  
 Reason for leaving Still in the Service Machines and equipment you used Rifle Platoon Equipment

Place AP0 #3, c/o P.M., N.Y., N.Y. Exact title of position Plt Sgt  
(City) (State)  
 Salary: Starting \$ 118.00 per Month  
 Final \$ 118.00  
 From Jan 44 to Oct 44  
(Month) (Year) (Month) (Year)  
 Duties and responsibilities Plt Sgt  
 Name of employer U. S. Army  
 Address AP0 #3, c/o P.M., N.Y., N.Y.  
 Kind of business or organization U. S. Army  
 Number and class of employees you supervised 38 Enlisted Men  
 Name and title of your immediate supervisor Capt Paul G. Harris  
 Reason for leaving Discharged to accept commission as 2nd Lieut in the AUS Machines and equipment you used Rifle Platoon Equipment

Place AP0 #3, c/o P. M., N.Y. N.Y. Exact title of position Squad Ldr  
(City) (State)  
 Salary: Starting \$ 93.00 per Month  
 Final \$ 93.00  
 From Dec 43 to Jan 44  
(Month) (Year) (Month) (Year)  
 Duties and responsibilities Squad Ldr  
 Name of employer U. S. Army  
 Address AP0 #3, c/o P.M., New York, N.Y.  
 Kind of business or organization U. S. Army  
 Number and class of employees you supervised 11 Enlisted Men  
 Name and title of your immediate supervisor 1st Lieut. Gordon T. Miller  
 Reason for leaving Still in the Service Machines and equipment you used Rifle Platoon Equipment

Place APO #3, c/o P.M., N.Y., N.Y.  
(City) (State)

From July 43 to Dec 43  
(Month) (Year) (Month) (Year)

Name of employer U. S. Army

Address APO #3, c/o P.M., N.Y., N.Y.

Kind of business or organization  
U. S. Army

Number and class of employees you supervised  
11 Enlisted men

Name and title of your immediate supervisor  
1st Lieut. Gordon T. Miller

Reason for leaving Still in the service

Exact title of position Squad Ldr

Salary: Starting \$ 79.20 per Month  
Final \$ 79.20

Duties and responsibilities  
Squad Ldr

Machines and equipment you used  
Rifle platoon Equipment

Place APO #3, c/o P.M., N.Y., N.Y.  
(City) (State)

From May 43 to July 43  
(Month) (Year) (Month) (Year)

Name of employer U. S. Army

Address APO #3, c/o P.M., N.Y., N.Y.

Kind of business or organization  
U. S. Army

Number and class of employees you supervised  
None

Name and title of your immediate supervisor  
Capt Ellsworth W. Dimmitt

Reason for leaving Still in the service

Exact title of position Rifleman

Salary: Starting \$ 64.80 per Month  
Final \$ 64.80

Duties and responsibilities  
Rifleman

Machines and equipment you used  
Rifle platoon Equipment

Place APO #3, c/o P.M., N.Y., N.Y.  
(City) (State)

From June 42 to May 43  
(Month) (Year) (Month) (Year)

Name of employer U. S. Army

Address APO #3, c/o P.M., N.Y., N.Y.

Kind of business or organization  
U. S. Army

Number and class of employees you supervised  
None

Name and title of your immediate supervisor  
Capt Ralph G. Hillmer

Reason for leaving Still in the Service

Exact title of position (Pvt) Rifleman

Salary: Starting \$ 50.00 per Month  
Final \$ 60.00

Duties and responsibilities  
Rifleman

Machines and equipment you used  
Rifle platoon Equipment

Place \_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State)

From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month) (Year) (Month) (Year)

Name of employer \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Kind of business or organization \_\_\_\_\_

Number and class of employees you supervised \_\_\_\_\_

Name and title of your immediate supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for leaving \_\_\_\_\_

Exact title of position \_\_\_\_\_

Salary: Starting \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_  
Final \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Duties and responsibilities \_\_\_\_\_

Machines and equipment you used \_\_\_\_\_

20. Other experience in management or leadership or any special skills not shown under question 19 None

21. In addition to employment in your main field or fields of professional specialization, specify any other qualifications or skills you have acquired through study, civic enterprise, hobbies, construction of instruments, etc. (For example: Photography, aviation, public speaking, civic organizations, cryptanalysis, pigeon training, radio transmission, etc.) Answer specifically (f), (g), and (h) below.

Occupation or skill	Describe work or study
(a) <u>None</u>	
(b) <u>None</u>	
(c) <u>None</u>	
(d) <u>None</u>	
(e) <u>None</u>	
(f) Experience as an entertainer <u>None</u>	
(g) Experience as an instructor <u>None</u>	
(h) Athletic skill <u>None</u>	

22. Education (includes military service schools):

(a) Circle highest grade completed, elementary or high schools:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 Did you graduate? Yes No No.

(b)	School (name of institution)	Years attended	Graduate? Yes/No } Year	Degrees	Subject majored in
College	<u>None</u>				
Post-graduate	<u>None</u>				
Military service school (branch and special)	<u>None</u>				

(c) Other subjects specialized in None

23. Foreign languages (check proficiency).

Language (specify)	Read			Speak			Auditory comprehension		
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Excellent	Good	Fair	Excellent	Good	Fair
None									
None									
None									
None									

24. Foreign travel and residence:

Indicate specifically the duration, location, and nature of any foreign experience you may have had. (Country and subdivision—Use official name as of 1935.)

Dates of travel or residence 7 Feb 1943 to date

Country Africa, Sicily, Italy, France

Purpose and nature In the service of the U. S. Army

25. Describe the work, if any, connected with war activities (including civilian defense) in which you are now engaged Now in the U. S. Army

26. How many days' advance notice will you require before being available for service? None \*

27. State any other limitations which you care to place on your availability None \*  
\* Now in the service of the U.S Armed Forces

28. Have you ever been convicted by a civil or military court? If so, give the date and circumstances.  
NO

29. Remarks. State any other information you may desire to submit which will be helpful in ascertaining your best field of usefulness None

Signature Audie Leon Murphy  
(First name) (Middle name) (Last name)  
(SIGN ALL NAMES IN FULL)  
(Name typed or printed) AUDIE LEON MURPHY

NOTE.—Do not send with this questionnaire valuable personal papers such as Birth certificate, passports, citizenship papers, discharge certificates, warrants, commissions, original letters of commendation, etc., which you desire to be returned to you. As a rule these documents are unnecessary for the consideration of your case.

(111)

# NOTIFICATION OF DISCONTINUANCE OF ALLOTMENT

(See AR 35-5520)

Send direct to Allotment Division, Building X, 19th and East Capitol Streets NE., Washington, D. C.

Murphy (Last name)    Audie (First name)    L. (Middle initial)    18 083 707 (Army serial number)    Co. B, 15th Infantry (Company, regiment, or arm or service)

The Class N (Type of allotment) allotment of the ~~officer~~ enlisted man <sup>1</sup> named above in the amount of \$ 6.40 per month commencing 1 December 19 42 to Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C. (Name of allottee)

entered on pay rolls of Co. B, 15th Infantry (Company or detachment) is hereby discontinued, effective 30 September 31 October 19 44

because of Honorable Discharge Date of separation 13 October 19 44

Address for future reference \_\_\_\_\_ (Number and street or rural route) \_\_\_\_\_ (City, town, or post office) \_\_\_\_\_ (State)

Place APO 3, c/o Postmaster, New York <sup>2</sup> Audie L. Murphy (Signature of allottee)

The ~~officer~~ enlisted man <sup>1</sup> was last paid to include 31 July 19 44 and allotment deducted to include 31 October 19 44 (On Final Stmt)

Deductions for allotment will be continued on pay ~~rolls~~ <sup>3</sup> vouchers <sup>1</sup> until acknowledgment is received of this notification, as required by AR 35-5520.

<sup>3</sup> 17 October, 19 44 \_\_\_\_\_ G.O. COHN, 1st Lt., 15th Inf., (Signature of company commander, with grade and organization)

**Personnel Officer.**

<sup>1</sup> Strike out words not applicable.

<sup>2</sup> When discontinuance is due to cause other than death or desertion, the allotter's signature will be affixed, or reason given why he did not sign.

<sup>3</sup> Strike out if discontinuance is due to discharge, retirement, death, or desertion.

WHERE APPLICABLE TO CLASS D OR CLASS N INSURANCE, THE ORIGINAL COPY OF THIS FORM WILL BE SENT TO THE ALLOTMENT DIVISION, BUILDING X, 19TH AND EAST CAPITOL STREETS NE., WASHINGTON, D. C. NO COPIES WILL BE SENT TO THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION, WASHINGTON, D. C.

W. D., A. G. O. Form No. 30

July 1, 1942

FROM WAR DEPARTMENT

BUREAU AGO

LMV 3814

# TELEGRAM

OFFICIAL BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT RATES

AG 201 MURPHY, AUDIE L 15 OCT 44 SPXPC-N NAT 250 17 OCTOBER 1944  
ASN 18 083 707

MRS CORINNE BURNS  
GENERAL DELIVERY  
FARMERSVILLE TEXAS

AM PLEASED TO INFORM YOU YOUR BROTHER STAFF SERGEANT AUDIE L MURPHY  
RETURNED TO DUTY TWENTY SEVEN SEPTEMBER

J A ULIO  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

OFFICIAL

*B J O H*

BATTLE

ADJUTANT GENERAL



FILE - ENLISTED BRANCH  
18 10 44  
DAY - MONTH - YEAR

*B J O H*



WAR DEPARTMENT

FROM

AGO

BUREAU

LMA 3814

STANDARD FORM NO. 124  
APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT  
MARCH 10, 1933

# TELEGRAM

OFFICIAL BUSINESS - GOVERNMENT RATES

AG 201 MURPHY, AUDIE L 15 OCT 14 8PXPC-N NAT 250 17 OCTOBER 1944  
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365 - ENLISTED BRANCH  
364 - MONTH - YEAR





1. NAME	2. SERIAL NUMBER	3. GRADE	4. ARM OR SERVICE	5. REP. THEATER		
MURPHY AUDIE L	01692509	2 LT	INF	ETO		
6. PLACE OF CASUALTY	7. DATE OF CASUALTY			8. FLYING OR JUMPING STATUS	9. TYPE OF CASUALTY	10. SHIPMENT NO.
FRANCE 6	DAY	MO.	YEAR		LWA	236
	26	OCT	44			

"TYPE OF CASUALTY" CODE (ITEM 9 ABOVE)

ALW -Alive and Well	INT -Interned	SIA -Seriously Injured in Action
CAP -Captured	KIA -Killed in Action	SIG -Seriously Ill (Gas Casualty)
DOI -Died of Injuries	MIA -Missing in Action	SLI -Slightly Injured in Action
DOW -Died of Wounds	POW -Prisoner of War	SLW -Slightly Wounded in Action
EVC -Evacuated	RTD -Returned to Duty	SWA -Seriously Wounded in Action

"FLYING OR JUMPING STATUS" CODE (ITEM 8 ABOVE)

A- Pilot, Co-Pilot or Command Pilot	F- Photographer	K- Gunner
B- Navigator	G- Radio Operator Gunner	L- All others on Flying or Jumping status not included above
C- Bombardier	H- Engineer Gunner	Z- Not on Flying or Jumping Status
D- Observer	I- Armorer Gunner	
E- Flight Surgeon	J- Qualified Paratroops on Jumping Status	

ACTION BY RECORD SECTION: Report verified   A  

Previously Reported Classification   NO   YES   /   (As Indicated Below):  
 Message No.   250   Type   ATG   Date and Area   07 SEP 44 NAT 17-144   E. A. Notified

Report not verified   /   No Form 43   /   No Cas. Br. File   /   No Visi-Card   /  

Copy report furnished (After verification) to:   Tale Valley    
 Enl. Br.   /   Off. Br.   /   Mach. Rec. Br.   /   S. G. O.   /   AG 201 Files   /  

Checked by:   /   Reviewed by:   /  

ACTION BY:

A. Special Identification Unit: Report changed or corrected as follows:

File in AG 201 file   /   Br.   /  

  PTD   Cas. Br. Room   3429  

B. General Correspondence Sub-Section: Original inquiry attached   /    
 Checked (after action a or b) By:   /   To Group   /   , Record Section   /  

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TYPE OF CASUALTY CODE (ITEM 9 ABOVE)

- RTD - Returned to Duty
- POW - Prisoner of War
- MIA - Missing in Action
- KIA - Killed in Action
- INT - Interned
- SWA - Seriously Wounded in Action
- SLW - Slightly Wounded in Action
- SLI - Slightly Injured in Action
- SIC - Seriously Ill (Cas Casualty)
- SIA - Seriously Injured in Action

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- B - Navigator
- C - Bombardier
- D - Observer
- E - Flight Surgeon
- J - Qualified Paratroops on Jumping Status
- I - Armor Gunner
- H - Engineer Gunner
- G - Radio Operator Gunner
- F - Photographer
- K - Gunner
- L - All others on Flying or Jumping status not included above
- Z - Not on Flying or Jumping Status

ACTION BY RECORD SECTION Report verified

Previously Reported YES NO (As Indicated Below) Date and Area Type Message No.

Report not verified No Form 43 No Cas Br File No 75a Card

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Gas. Br. Room

General Correspondence Sub-Section Original inquiry attached To Group

ORIGINAL

(THIS FOLD FOR THE FINANCE OFFICER)

FINAL STATEMENT of Murphy, Audie L., 18 083 707, S/Sgt, Co "B", 15th Inf.

Voucher No. 5438  
L. C. GRIMES  
LT. COL. FINANCE DEPT.

ACCEPTED for enlistment at Greenville, Texas Enlisted on 30 June, 1942

(Name of finance officer)

Honorably Discharged at APC # 3 on 13 October, 1944

OCT 19 1944 THE UNITED STATES

Reason 14/44 (Auth Ltr Hq 7th Army-file AG 210.1 PERS, dtd Oct 14/44) to accept

To \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of soldier)

Having over 2 years service at date of Honorable Discharge

\_\_\_\_\_, Dr. (Rank) (Organization from which discharged)

DUE SOLDIER for Nothing

Insurance, Class N \$ 12.80

Allotment, Class \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For additional pay Overseas Pay fr Aug 1/44 to Oct 13/44 incl.

DUE SOLDIER

Pay 19 (prior fiscal year) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For clothing Nothing and \_\_\_\_\_ dollars (\$ \_\_\_\_\_)

21250425 FSA 19 42-5 61-114 P414-01 \$ 267.52

21250425 FSA 42-5 61-114 P418-14 \$ 13.26

For deposits Nine Hundred and No dollars (\$ 900.00)

Allow. in lieu qrs \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For pay detained by court-martial Nothing and \_\_\_\_\_ dollars (\$ \_\_\_\_\_)

21250425 FSA Total pay of Army, 1942-5 280 78

Auth \_\_\_\_\_

For Nothing

Total pay of Army, 1942-5 280 78

Allow. in lieu subsistence \_\_\_\_\_

Last paid to include 31 July, 1944, by L. C. GRIMES, Lt Col., FD.

(Name of finance officer)

DUE UNITED STATES for 61 N Bed Twelve Dollars & Eighty Cents (\$12.80) a/r Six

(See Instructions 7 and 13)

Dollars & Forty Cents (\$6.40) per mo for the mos of Aug & Sept/44 discount'd

Sept 30/44.

Auth \_\_\_\_\_

Clothing \_\_\_\_\_

Auth \_\_\_\_\_

Travel pay \_\_\_\_\_

Auth \_\_\_\_\_

Deposits, Deposit Fund P.A.D.F 9.00 -

Auth 61-114 P410-113 A 21x8910

Total amount due soldier 1180 78

DUE UNITED STATES

For \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total stoppages \_\_\_\_\_

Balance due soldier 1180 78

REMARKS: No Time Lost AW 107. Soldier is not entitled to travel pay. Sol

(See Instructions, especially 10 and 13)

awarded Com Inf Badge per RO #39, Hq 15th Inf, APO #3, dtd May 8/44, Sol

NEVER pd Com Inf Pay.

Paid by check No. \_\_\_\_\_ on Treasurer United States, dated \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Deposit with my new account \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature of soldier)

I certify that the employment of the person named on this voucher is not prohibited by any provisions of law limiting the availability of the appropriations involved.

Post Exchange paid by Check No. \_\_\_\_\_ on

TREASURER UNITED STATES, dated \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_

for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(To be completely filled in before signature by payee without alteration or erasure thereafter)

Received Oct 19, 1944, of

Finance Department, U. S. A. one thousand one

Hundred eighty - and 78 dollars in cash.

Audie S. Murphy (Do not sign in duplicate)

I CERTIFY that the foregoing Final Statement is correct.

(Do not sign in duplicate)

G. G. COHN  
1st Lt, 15th Infantry, #1180  
Personnel Officer

Commanding Organization.

NOTE.—This fold will become the brief after payment by the finance officer.

WAR DEPARTMENT

Form No. 370

Form approved by the Comptroller General U. S. December 4, 1925

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HEADQUARTERS 15TH INFANTRY  
APO 3

19 October 1944<sup>C</sup>

SUBJECT: Combat Appointment.

TO : Commanding General, Seventh Army, APO 758. (Thru Channels)

Forwarded herewith forms listed below pertaining to 2nd Lt. AUDIE L. MURPHY, O-1 692 509, Inf, in compliance with par 4, Sec II, Cir #3, your headquarters.

For the Regimental Commander:

*G. G. COHN*

G. G. COHN  
1st Lieut., 15th Inf.,  
Personnel Officer.

6 Incls.

- 1-Report of Entry on Active Duty (Dup) - *w/d CRM 4336 11 Jan 45*
- 2-Personnel Placement Questionnaire, W.D., A.G.O. Form No 0850 & 0850A.
- 3-Designation of Beneficiary, W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 41.
- 4-Oath of Office, W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 0337-T
- 5-Letter of Acceptance (Dup)
- 6-Report of Physical Examination, W.D., A.G.O. Form No 63.



AG 201.36

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HEADQUARTERS THIRD INFANTRY DIVISION, APO # 3. 20 October 1944<sup>C</sup>

TO: Commanding General, Seventh Army, APO # 758.

For the Commanding General:

*R. W. FRANZ*

R. W. FRANZ,  
Captain, A.G.D.,  
Assistant Adjutant General.

6 Incls:  
n/c

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FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

TO: COMMANDING GENERAL, 7th Army, VPO # 328

HEADQUARTERS THIRD INFANTRY DIVISION, VPO # 3, 30 October 1944

VG 507.39

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- Report of Incident Examination, VPO # 328, 30 Oct 44
- Report of Occurrence (RIF)
- Report of Cause, VPO # 328, 30 Oct 44
- Report of Investigation, VPO # 328, 30 Oct 44
- Report of Incident Examination, VPO # 328, 30 Oct 44
- Report of Cause, VPO # 328, 30 Oct 44

PERSONNEL OFFICER  
1st Lt. [Name]  
C. C. [Name]

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FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

TO: COMMANDING GENERAL, 7th Army, VPO # 328  
HEADQUARTERS THIRD INFANTRY DIVISION, VPO # 3, 30 October 1944

TO: COMMANDING GENERAL, 7th Army, VPO # 328 (ATTN: PERSONNEL)

30 October 1944

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HEADQUARTERS THIRD INFANTRY DIVISION

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B/L Hq 15th Inf

19 Oct 44

Re: Combat Appointment. Murphy,  
Audie L. 2d Lt 0-1692509.

AG 210.1 PERS

2d Ind

OP/ldh

HQ SEVENTH ARMY, APO 758, U. S. Army, 27 October 1944. *c*

WATO

TO: The Adjutant General, Washington 25, D. C.

For the Commanding General:

O. PAULSEN,  
CWO, AUS,  
Asst Adjutant General.

6 Incls:

- 1 Incl w/d #5 Ltr of Acceptance
- 1 Incl added
- #7 Ltr Hq 7th Army dtd 14 Oct 44  
Re: Combat Appointment (in dup)
- 5 Incls n/c

*Form 41 7/15*



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For the commanding general:

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# CASUALTY MESSAGE TELEGRAM

FROM WAR DEPARTMENT

BUREAU A. G. O.

CHG. APPROPRIATION

HMG 3814

OFFICIAL BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT RATES

SPXPC-N

7 NOV 44

ETO 236

13 NOVEMBER 1944

DATE

AG 201 MURPHY AUDIE L  
ASN 01692509

MRS CORINNE BURNS  
GENERAL DELIVERY  
FARMERSVILLE TEXAS

REGRET TO INFORM YOU YOUR

**BROTHER**

**SECOND LIEUTENANT**

**AUDIE L MURPHY**

WAS

(RELATIONSHIP)

(GRADE)

(NAME)

SLIGHTLY

WOUNDED IN ACTION

**TWENTY SIX OCTOBER**

(DATE)

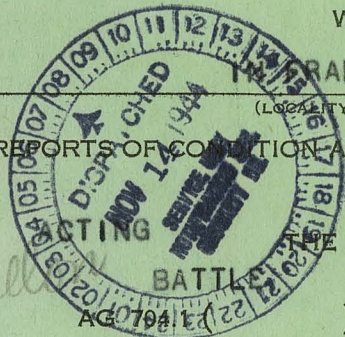
**FRANCE**

(LOCALITY)

YOU WILL BE ADVISED AS REPORTS OF CONDITION ARE RECEIVED

OFFICIAL:

ADJUTANT GENERAL



DUNLOP  
XXXXXXXXXX  
J. A. ULIO

ADJUTANT GENERAL

FILE { Enlisted Branch, AGO   
Officers' Branch, AGO   
CASUALTY BRANCH, AGO,  
EJA 13 Nov 44  
(Initials & Date)

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HMG 3814

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7 NOV 44 ETO 236 13 NOVEMBER 1944

DATE

AG 201 MURPHY AUDIE L  
ASN 01692509

MRS CORINNE BURNS  
GENERAL DELIVERY  
FARMERSVILLE TEXAS

REGRET TO INFORM YOU YOUR

WAS

**AUDIE L MURPHY**

**SECOND LIEUTENANT**

(NAME)

(GRADE)

WOUNDED IN ACTION

**FRANCE**



FILE { Enlisted Branch, AGO   
Officers' Branch, AGO   
CASUALTY BRANCH, AGO

ADJUTANT GENERAL

(Initials & Date)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

NAME			SERIAL NUMBER		GRADE	ARM OR SERVICE	REPORTING THEATRE
MURPHY AUDIE L			01692509		2 LT	INF	ETO
PLACE OF CASUALTY		DATE OF CASUALTY			FLYING OR JUMPG. STAT	TYPE OF CASUALTY	SHIPMENT NUMBER
G6		DAY	MONTH	YEAR		RTD	010
		28	DEC	44			

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE

NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE

THE INDIVIDUAL NAMED ABOVE DESIGNATED THE FOLLOWING PERSON AS THE ONE TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, AND THE OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION WILL BE SENT TO THIS PERSON. THE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, IS SHOWN BELOW. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THIS PERSON IS NOT NECESSARILY THE NEXT-OF-KIN OR RELATIVE DESIGNATED TO BE PAID SIX MONTHS' PAY GRATUITY IN CASE OF DEATH.

MR.-MRS.-MISS—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE INITIAL—LAST NAME	RELATIONSHIP	DATE NOTIFIED
NO. AND NAME OF STREET—CITY—STATE		

REMARKS:

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NO NOTIFICATION ACTION REQUIRED ON THIS REPORT  
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Br. Room 2629

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CASUALTY BRANCH A&O

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CASUALTY BRANCH FILE ATTACHED	OR CHARGED TO	218	DATE	
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED	NO.	YES	(AS INDICATED BELOW):	
FILE NO.	MESSAGE NO.	TYPE	DATE AND AREA	E. A. NOTIFIED
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WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.  
BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

REPORTING THEATRE	ARM OR SERVICE	GRADE	SERIAL NUMBER	NAME
ETO		LT	01655505	MURPHY, ADDIE J.
SHIPMENT NUMBER	TYPE OF CASUALTY	FLYING OR STAT	DATE OF CASUALTY	PLACE OF CASUALTY
010	RTD		28 DEC 44	CO

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DATE NOTIFIED	RELATIONSHIP	FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL - LAST NAME

CORRECTED COPY

NO NOTIFICATION ACTION REQUIRED ON THIS REPORT  
FEB 8 1945



Rev'd 5-12-45  
E.C.  
J.H.

R E S T R I C T E D

HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY  
APO 758 US Army

AROUSA ORIGINAL ORDER  
28 January 1945

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J.H.  
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GENERAL ORDERS )

NUMBER 21 )

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I -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished-Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

Boyer

THOMAS W. BOYER, 36 573 515, Private First Class, Infantry, 3d Battalion, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action. At about 1430 hours on 28 May 1944, near Lariano, Italy, Private First Class Boyer, an observer attached to a combat patrol, struck out with another man across one hundred and fifty yards of coverless ground to a strongly defended enemy-held house. Then, opening fire with his M-1 rifle, he shot two of the enemy. While enemy soldiers ran out of the building, Private First Class Boyer engaged an armored half-track at a range of fifteen yards, puncturing its tires with rifle fire, shooting at its engine, and finally dueling with the turret machine gunner and forcing him to cease fire. He destroyed four more of the enemy before he was hit by a sniper's bullet. Despite his painful wound, Private First Class Boyer continued his single-handed fight, silencing the sniper and holding off the enemy force in the armored vehicle and in the house until his patrol could withdraw to safety. Bleeding and dazed from his serious wound, he finally made his way back alone to his comrades, and then collapsed. Though assigned to the patrol as an observer only, Private First Class Boyer had assaulted an enemy strongpoint, destroyed six of the enemy, held off and damaged an armored half-track and, though gravely wounded, continued his gallant fight to cover the withdrawal of his comrades. He was killed in a subsequent action. Next of Kin: Mrs. Edith Boyer, (Mother), 7761 Navy Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

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CHARLES F. CONNER, 01 324 148, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "A", \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 6 November 1944, near Iajaille, France. Lieutenant Conner led his rifle platoon in an attack on a heavily fortified, densely wooded enemy hill position. After an hour of fierce fighting, the platoon successfully gained a protective ledge fifty yards from its objective. The battle raged fiercely with the enemy holding desperately to their positions on top of the hill. Lieutenant

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Conner realized his platoon could not possibly hold their precarious position under the terrific mortar, machine gun, grenade and rifle fire unless the hilltop positions were wrested from enemy hands immediately. In the face of almost certain death, Lieutenant Conner charged forward past his lead scout into the enemy positions, firing his carbine as he moved. Gaining the cover of the ledge, he succeeded in killing several enemy riflemen and a two-man machine gun crew. Then, as he reached a point a few yards from the enemy's hilltop position, he was mortally wounded by enemy machine gun fire. The extraordinary heroism displayed by Lieutenant Conner inspired his men to continue the attack with renewed efforts, quickly overrunning the enemy and gaining their objective. His outstanding courage and heroic sacrifice reflect the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Next of Kin: Mrs. Fern Conner, (Wife), 442 West State Street, Geneva, Illinois.

II - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished-Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

AUDIE L. MURPHY, O1 692 509, Second Lieutenant, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company "B", \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action. Landing near Ramatuelle, France, with the first wave of the assault infantry, at 0800 hours, 15 August 1944, Lieutenant Murphy advanced inland with his rifle platoon until halted by intense machine gun and small arms fire from a boulder-covered hill to his front. Leaving his men in a covered position, he dashed forty yards through withering fire to a draw. Using this defiladed route, he went back toward the beaches, found a light machine gun squad and, returning up the rocky hill, placed the machine gun in position seventy-five yards in advance of his platoon. In the duel which ensued, Lieutenant Murphy silenced the enemy weapon, killed two of the crew and wounded a third. As he proceeded further up the draw, two Germans advanced toward him. Quickly destroying both of them, he dashed up the draw alone toward the enemy strongpoint, disregarding bullets which glanced off the rocks around him and hand grenades which exploded fifteen yards away. Closing in, he wounded two Germans with carbine fire, killed two more in a fierce, brief fire-fight, and forced the remaining five to surrender. His extraordinary heroism resulted in the capture of a fiercely contested enemy-held hill and the annihilation or capture of the entire enemy garrison. Entered military service from Farmersville, Texas.

GEORGE H. SCHULTZ, 20 808 836, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 12 September 1944, in the vicinity of Vesoul, France. When an enemy force launched an attack against rear elements of his company's position, inflicting numerous casualties, Sergeant

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Schultz, realizing that the battalion must be informed of the presence of enemy troops, left his fox-hole and dashed across an open field toward a telephone. As he ran, the enemy directed machine gun fire upon him from concealed positions thirty-five yards away. As he approached a log fence, he was hit in the hip by the machine gun fire and knocked down. Despite his serious wounds, he again started forward and crawled under the fence. As he reached the phone, he was hit a second time, in the chest. Sergeant Schultz called his platoon leader on the phone and notified him of the situation. As he was talking, he was hit a third time, in the arm, by point blank machine gun fire. He took the phone in his other hand, finished his message, and fell unconscious to the ground. Shortly thereafter, a platoon of six tanks and five tank destroyers arrived and directed point blank machine gun and tank fire into the enemy positions. As a result of Sergeant Schultz's magnificent courage and devotion to duty, the lives of the remaining members of his platoon were saved, and the enemy was prevented from overrunning his battalion's position. His heroism reflects the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Galveston, Texas.

III- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

SAM S. ASANUMA, 36 667 853, Private First Class, Infantry, 2d Battalion, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 October 1944, near Bruyeres, France. When the carrying party of which he was a member was ambushed by an enemy patrol and two of his comrades were hit by a burst of machine gun fire, Private First Class Asanuma, with complete disregard for his own safety, rushed to the aid of the wounded men. Although he was wounded by the intense hostile fire, he continued on, but upon reaching his comrades, he found them both dead. The carrying party, inspired by this display of courage, held off the enemy attacks until reinforcements arrived, then successfully routed the enemy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

SATOSHI FURUYA, 30 105 460, Private First Class, Infantry, \*\*\* Battalion, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 October 1944, in Biffontaine, France. Observing enemy sniper fire coming from a nearby building, Private First Class Furuya, with no thought of his own safety, crept silently forward to the door of the enemy-occupied room. When the enemy started firing through the closed door, Private First Class Furuya, with pistol in hand, smashed into the room. Firing as he entered, he wounded one enemy sniper and forced the remaining seven into surrender. By this daring action, Private First Class Furuya was instrumental in effecting the successful protection of the attacking company's flank and rear. Entered military service from Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

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CHARLES M. TAKASHIMA, 30 101 468, Corporal, Infantry, \*\*\* Battalion, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 October 1944, in the vicinity of Biffontaine, France. While manning an isolated machine gun outpost, Corporal Takashima observed an enemy vehicle approaching his position. Opening fire, he wounded the driver and captured the enemy vehicle. A short while later, he crawled forward a short distance into a sniper infested area and wounded or killed two enemy snipers who had been firing at his machine gun position. Corporal Takashima's gallantry and devotion to duty reflect the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Hilo, Territory of Hawaii.

IV - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

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JOSEPH DANDRETO, O1 691 515, First Lieutenant, (then Chief Warrant Officer), Ordnance Department, Headquarters \*\*\* Army, for meritorious service from 1 February 1944 to 14 September 1944, in North Africa, Italy and France. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

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NESBIT L. DUNCAN, O 390 334, Major, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters, \*\*\* Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade, for meritorious service from August 1944 to December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Crewe, Virginia.

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MOYER D. HARRIS, O25 129, Captain, Field Artillery, \*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action from 27 October 1944 to 30 October 1944, in the Foret Domaniale de Champ, Eastern France. Captain Harris, as artillery liaison officer with an infantry battalion during its advance toward an isolated friendly unit, carefully; and with cool judgment, coordinated the efforts of his forward observers. Their accurate fire, adjusted with great difficulty, played a major role in effecting the rescue of the beleaguered garrison. His initiative, tenacity, courage, and devotion to duty were exemplary and reflect credit upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

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JERO KANETOMI, 39 382 659, Private, Infantry, Company "G", \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 October 1944, near Bruyeres, France. When enemy troops attempted to assemble for a surprise attack against his company's sector, Private Kanetomi, the first to observe this movement, fired at the enemy, distracting them, and preventing them from getting into good firing positions. His firing also gave warning to other members of his unit enabling them to properly prepare themselves for the defense of their positions. Despite bazooka, rifle grenade, and small arms

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HEADQUARTERS 15TH INFANTRY  
APO #3

11 February 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of Silver Star.

TO : Commanding General, 3d Infantry Division, APO #3.  
THRU channels

1. It is recommended that AUDIE L. MURPHY, O1 692 509, 2d Lieutenant, Company "B", 15th Infantry, be awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action.

2. Proposed Citation:

AUDIE L. MURPHY, O1 692 509, 2d Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant) Company "B", 15th Infantry. For Gallantry in Action. On the morning of 2 October 1944, near the CLEURIE QUARRY, France, Lieutenant MURPHY inched his way over rugged, uneven terrain, toward an enemy machine gun which had <sup>group of officers on</sup> surprised ~~re-~~connaisance ~~group of battalion officers~~. Getting to within fifteen yards of the German gun, Lieutenant MURPHY stood up, and, disregarding ~~the enemy~~ burst of fire delivered at such close range and which miraculously missed him, ~~he~~ flung two hand grenades into the <sup>machine gun</sup> position, killing four Germans, wounding three more and destroying the position. Residence: *Somersville, Texas*

3. Pertinent Data:

- a. Terrain: Rocky.
- b. Enemy observation: Excellent.
- c. Enemy fire: Machine gun.
- d. Visibility: Good. Time of day: 1000 hours. Atmospheric conditions: Clear.
- e. Proximity of enemy: 15 yards.
- f. Morale: Ours, good. Enemy's, unknown.
- g. Effect of deed: Knocked out enemy machine gun, killing four and wounding three enemy.

4. Prior Awards:

5. The entire service of Lieutenant Murphy has been honorable.

6. I was an eyewitness to the facts in paragraph 2, above.

*Michael Paulick*

MICHAEL PAULICK  
Lt Col, 15th Infantry  
Executive Officer



COMPANY "C" 15TH INFANTRY  
APO #3

15 February 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of Bronze Star.

TO : Commanding General, 3d Infantry Division, APO #3.  
THRU channels

1. It is recommended that AUDIE L. MURPHY, O1 692 509, 2d Lieutenant, (then Sergeant) Company "B", 15th Infantry, be awarded the Bronze Star for valor in actual combat.

2. Proposed Citation:

AUDIE L. MURPHY, O1 692 509, 2d Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Company "B", 15th Infantry. For Valor in Actual Combat. On the night of 2 March 1944, on the ANZIO BEACHHEAD, <sup>in Italy</sup> near "tree-lined road", Lieutenant MURPHY crept 100 yards over flat, open terrain, during a fire fight between his small patrol and a group of Germans, to a point fifty yards from a partly disabled enemy tank. Taking careful aim, he fired several rifle grenades at the tank, hitting and completely destroying it. Then, when a great many enemy machine guns in the sector opened up, he led his men through the bullet swept area to safety. Residence: Greenville, Texas.

3. Pertinent Data:

- Mrs. Patricia Burns, Farmer, Palo Alto, Texas*
- Terrain: Flat, open.
  - Enemy observation: Good.
  - Enemy fire: Small arms, machine gun.
  - Visibility: Good. Time of day: 2000 hours. Atmospheric conditions: Clear.
  - Proximity of enemy: 25 yards.
  - Morale: Ours, good. Enemy's, good.
  - Effect of deed: Destroyed enemy tank.

4. Prior Awards: None.

5. The entire service of Lieutenant MURPHY has been honorable.

6. I have personal knowledge of the facts in paragraph 2, above.

*William K. Edmondson*  
WILLIAM K. EDMONDSON  
1st Lt, 15th Infantry  
Commanding

COMPANY "C" 15TH INFANTRY  
APO #3

COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE RENDERED

CERTIFICATE

I am 1st Lieutenant William K. Edmondson, Company "C", 15th Infantry. I acquired personal knowledge of the following action in the capacity of a platoon leader in Company "B", 15th Infantry:

On 2 March 1944, Company "B", 15th Infantry, occupied positions about 1000 yards from a road known as "tree-lined road", on the ANZIO BEACHHEAD, Italy.

An eight-man patrol under the leadership of Lieutenant (then Sergeant) AUDIE L. MURPHY, OI 692 509, Company "B", 15th Infantry, was sent out to investigate possible enemy strongpoints some 800 yards to our northwest, or left front. I was at an outpost at the time and the night, being moonlit, permitted me to see the manner of movement engaged in by the patrol at the outset of its mission. Lieutenant MURPHY moved out ahead by about fifty yards, reconnoitering the ground he covered and then he would signal for the patrol to move up to him. He kept repeating this process until he and his patrol were swallowed up by the night and lost from my view.

About 800 yards to our left front, Lieutenant MURPHY heard some Germans working on a partly disabled tank. He placed his men in position and then had them fire upon the area of the tank. This drew return fire from the crew working on the tank and from protecting enemy riflemen.

As his patrol kept up its fire, Lieutenant MURPHY crept about 100 yards closer to the tank until he got to within about fifty yards of it. Then he fired rifle grenades at it, completely destroying it.

At this time the enemy opened up with terrific machine gun fire coming from innumerable machine guns on "tree-lined road". Lieutenant MURPHY calmly crawled back to his patrol, and led them safely through an area criss-crossed by tracer bullets, back to the company CP.

His bravery and coolness completely destroyed the enemy tank beyond hopes of repair and his patrol returned with mission accomplished.

*William K. Edmondson*  
WILLIAM K. EDMONDSON  
1st Lt, 15th Infantry  
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST BATTALION, 15TH INFANTRY, APO #3, 15 February 1945.

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TO: Commanding Officer, 15th Infantry, APO #3.

1. Approved.

2. This case has been personally investigated by an officer of my command and the content therein found to be true.

*Kenneth B. Potter*  
KENNETH B. POTTER  
Maj, 15th Infantry  
Commanding

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TO: Commanding General, 3d Infantry Division, APO #3.

Approved.

*Hallett D. Edson*  
HALLETT D. EDSON  
Lt Col, 15th Infantry  
Commanding

COMPANY "B" 15TH INFANTRY  
APO #3

COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE RENDERED

CERTIFICATE

I am 1st Lieutenant Joseph De Marco, rifle platoon leader in Company "B", 15th Infantry, in which capacity I was present at and an eyewitness to the following action:

On 5 October 1944, we were attacking a hill in the VOSGES Mountains near LE THOLY, France. We passed through a quarry, and in climbing up over the rim of it, we came under an intense concentration of enemy mortar fire. This fire was directed by Germans having perfect observation in the broad daylight of afternoon, and looking down upon our men from positions in woods farther up the hill which we were attacking.

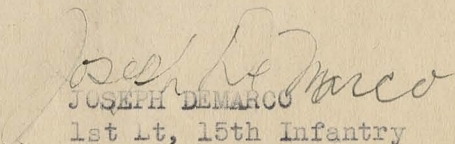
2d Lieutenant AUDIE L. MURPHY, OI 692 509, then Staff Sergeant, leading the rifle platoon on my right, moved his men up to the forward rim of the quarry and had them dig in.

He peered over the rim of the quarry and was greeted by a burst of enemy machine gun and rifle fire. The enemy positions were so well entrenched and they had so much fire power that it became obvious that an artillery concentration would be necessary to blast the enemy out of his strongpoints.

Lieutenant MURPHY personally carried his SCR 536 radio and, alone, crawled over the rim of the quarry into the open space beyond. He crawled for fifty yards, constantly peppered at by enemy machine gun and rifle fire which tore furrows into the ground little more than a foot from him. Lieutenant MURPHY got to within 200 yards of the nearest enemy and then started to call for and direct artillery fire by calling into the company commander and having his fire directions relayed to the artillery.

Although under constant small arms and machine gun fire for an hour, Lieutenant MURPHY continued, coolly and efficiently, to direct our artillery fire at observed groups of Germans. He brought the fire closer and closer until I could feel the earth tremble at the impact. He got excellent results, because I could see Krauts running out of the area. We moved in and occupied the hill. We found fifteen dead German bodies in the area. Civilians told us they saw the Germans evacuate approximately thirty-five casualties.

Lieutenant MURPHY's courageous and accurate direction of artillery fire, under constant enemy small arms and machine gun fire, were directly responsible for the taking of the hill.

  
JOSEPH DEMARCO  
1st Lt, 15th Infantry  
Platoon Leader

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COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE RENDERED

CERTIFICATE

I am Lieutenant Colonel Michael Paulick, Executive Officer of the 15th Infantry Regiment. At the time I was present at and an eyewitness to the following action-I was Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry:

On 2 October 1944, near the CLEURIE QUARRY, France, I, two other officers and 2d Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant) AUDIE L. MURPHY, O1 692 509, Company "B", 15th Infantry, reconnoitered forward areas. It was about 1000 hours, the weather and observation were clear, and we maneuvered over the rocky, mountainous terrain to endeavor to discover enemy strongpoints. Because of the rugged formation of terrain, it was extremely difficult to spot enemy positions which might be hidden anywhere.

Suddenly a Kraut machine gun opened up on us. It was no more than twenty-five yards from us and, at first, could not be noticed in the dense underbrush. Initially, the enemy surprised us.

We hit the dirt, taking scant cover behind trees, and fired back at the gun. The German gunners had a fight on their hands, now, but because of their fire power, we could not get closer to them. There were seven Kraut on that gun position.

Suddenly, Lieutenant MURPHY shouted to us to stay down. He, himself, stood up after he had inched his way to within fifteen yards of the machine gun, and became a conspicuous target to the enemy. One long burst of machine gun fire was directed at Lieutenant MURPHY, but somehow managed to miraculously miss him by the barest of margins. Lieutenant MURPHY flung two hand grenades into the German machine gun nest with effective accuracy. Four Germans were killed, three wounded and the gun position obliterated. Lieutenant MURPHY carried the German gun back with him.

Lieutenant MURPHY's coolness under fire and his courage nullified the effect of the enemy's initial advantage of surprise, accounted for an enemy machine gun, four dead Germans and three prisoners.

*Michael Paulick*

MICHAEL PAULICK  
Lt Col, 15th Infantry  
Executive Officer

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Ordering his company to withdraw to prepared positions, Lt MURPHY remained at his CP to direct deadly artillery fire on two counterattacking German companies, backed by six heavy tanks.

When the TD beside him was set afire, Lt MURPHY jumped upon the exposed turret and fired the .50 cal MG at the enemy. Killing Germans within 10 yards of his position, he fought on alone for an hour, repelling every counterattack the enemy launched. Though wounded, he continued the uneven fight until he had killed or wounded approximately 50 Germans and his ammunition was spent.



LT MURPHY'S ROUTE

SKETCH TO ACCOMPANY  
RECOMMENDATION FOR AWARD OF THE  
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SECOND LIEUTENANT AUDIE L. MURPHY  
COMPANY "B", 15TH INFANTRY

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY, APO 758, U S Army, 1 June 1945

TO: Commanding General, 3d Infantry Division, APO 3, U S Army

It is desired that presentation of subject award be made by your Headquarters.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL PATCH:

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*W. G. Caldwell*  
W. G. CALDWELL,  
Colonel, AGD,  
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS 15TH INFANTRY, APO #3, 6 March 1945.

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TO: Commanding General, 3d Infantry Division, APO #3.

1. Approved.
2. This case has been personally investigated by an officer of my command and the content therein found to be true.

HALLETT D. EDSON  
Lt Col, 15th Infantry  
Commanding

201 - Murphy, Audie L. (Off) 2d Ind. JWO/JWT/tas  
HEADQUARTERS THIRD INFANTRY DIVISION, APO #3, 10 March 1945.

To: Commanding General, European Theater of Operations, APO #887, U.S. Army.  
(Thru: Channels)

Approved.

JOHN W. O'DANIEL  
Major General, U. S. Army  
Commanding

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# CONFIRMATION OF PROMOTION

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GENERAL ORDERS ) HEADQUARTERS THIRD INFANTRY DIVISION  
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- Award of Silver Star . . . . . I
- Award of 1st Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star . . . . . II
- Award, Posthumous, of Silver Star . . . . . III
- Award, Posthumous, of 1st Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star . . . . . IV

I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded each of the following named individuals:

WILBURN SEPULVADO, 38 329 657, Private, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 10th Field Artillery Battalion. For gallantry in action. At about 1630 hours on 28 January 1945, near \* \* \*, France, Private SEPULVADO braved an enemy artillery concentration which forced other men to seek safety, as he ran 50 yards in the open to reach his truck loaded with 200 rounds of medium artillery ammunition. Four shells landed within 20 yards of him, the concussion of one burst knocking him from his feet. Fragments from four more shells pierced the cab and punctured a tire of the truck as Private SEPULVADO started the motor, yet he carried out his voluntary mission and drove the truck 500 yard through continuing shellfire to a covered position. His courageous action saved the truck and ammunition from probably destruction. Residence: Zwolle, Louisiana.

GEORGE E. RAYMOND, 01 311 428, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Headquarters 2nd Battalion (then Company "F"), 30th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. When his company was attacking Hill 621 north of \*\*\*\*, France, the morning of 17 December 1944, First Lieutenant RAYMOND approached within 65 yards of an enemy machine gun with his platoon. Then he crawled forward alone 40 yards under enemy mortar, small arms and machine gun fire. On reaching a favorable position, he killed one German machine gunner and wounded two with hand grenades and carbine fire, took the two wounded Germans prisoner. Residence: Columbus, Georgia.

AGUSTIN RAMOS, 10 402 139, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 15th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 24 December 1944, near \* \* \*, France, when his company encountered an enemy-held house, protected by a machine gun and a dozen riflemen, Private First Class RAMOS crawled over fifty yards of open ground, raked by their concentrated fire, to reach a position from which he could fire his rifle grenades effectively. Reaching a point opposite a window, despite the bullets which constantly grazed him, he opened fire and killed three of the enemy, causing fourteen others to surrender. Residence: Isabela, Puerto Rico.

PETER F. MISKINIS, 31 025 075, Sergeant (then Private), Infantry, Company "M", 15th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 24 January 1945, when Company "I", 15th Infantry, crossed the \* \* \*, River near \* \* \*, France, Sergeant MISKINIS moved his machine gun one hundred yards up the bank, and, fifty yards from enemy positions, placed a continuous stream of fire on the installations, to cover our assaulting troops. Bullets struck within a foot of him as the enemy concentrated all their firepower in an effort to eliminate his effective fire; mortar shells burst within twelve yards of him, sending shell fragments over his head, but he remained

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alone in his position for one hour and covered our troops until they were able to secure a foothold. Residence: Worcester, Massachusetts.

HAROLD D. DOUBET, 36 444 363, Private, Infantry, Company "K", 15th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 25 December 1944, in \* \* \*, France, Private DOUBET crawled over 100 yards of bullet-swept ground to a point from which he could fire rifle grenades on an enemy-held house which his company had been unable to clear. Although fire from the enemy, seventy-five yards away, dug into the ground less than a foot from him during the twenty minutes he exposed himself, Private DOUBET set the house on fire, forcing the enemy to withdraw. His company was then able to advance and captured thirty-five German prisoners, killed fifteen of the enemy and wounded twenty-one. Residence: Hanna, Illinois.

FRANK MANGINA, 32 571 044, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 15th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 21 October 1944, at about 0900 hours, near \* \* \*, France, Private First Class MANGINA remained alone in an exposed position for thirty minutes and battled it out with two German machine guns at a range of two hundred yards. Although his back was hit twice by the enemy machine gun fire which rained on him constantly, Private First Class MANGINA unflinchingly traded them shot for shot, killing seven on one gun and wounding two of the other crew, causing the remainder to flee. Residence: W. Orange, New Jersey.

BURLEIGH F. WHITNEY, 31 268 583, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 15th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 3 January 1945, at about 0130 hours, near \* \* \*, France, Private First Class WHITNEY and another soldier remained alone in their outpost foxhole and held off a force of fifteen Germans armed with automatic weapons, rifles and bazookas. Although bullets struck all around their position and a bazooka shell caved in one side of their shelter, Private First Class WHITNEY and the other soldier, armed only with rifles, held their post for twenty minutes, and forced the enemy to withdraw with one dead and six known wounded. Outnumbered more than seven to one, Private First Class WHITNEY and the other soldier, by their fearless action, repulsed an enemy force vastly superior in fire-power, and inflicted seven known casualties on them. Residence: Lancaster, New Hampshire.

WILLIAM H. OLIVER, 34 816 619, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 15th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 3 January 1945, at about 0130 hours, near \* \* \*, France, Private First Class OLIVER and another soldier remained alone in their outpost foxhole and held off a force of fifteen Germans armed with automatic weapons, rifles and bazookas. Although bullets struck all around their position and a bazooka shell caved in one side of their shelter, Private First Class OLIVER and the other soldier, armed only with rifles, held their post for twenty minutes, and forced the enemy to withdraw with one dead and six known wounded. Outnumbered more than seven to one, Private First Class OLIVER and the other soldier, by their fearless action, repulsed an enemy force vastly superior in fire-power, and inflicted seven known casualties on them. Residence: Phil Cambell, Alabama.

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AUDIE L. MURPHY, O1 692 509, 1st Lt, Inf, Co "B", 15th Infantry Regiment, Nord de France, 28 Jan 1945. Residence: Greenville, Texas. Nord de  
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IV - AWARD OF 4TH OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART. Under the provision of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a 4th Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart previously awarded, is awarded to the following named officer for wounds received in action against the enemy:

LLOYD B. RAMSEY, O23 553, Lt Col, Inf, HQ 3rd Bn, 7th Infantry Regiment, France, 6 Feb 1945. Residence: Somerset, Ky. Sie-  
nheim

V - AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS NO. 124, 1944. So much of Section I, General Orders No. 124, this headquarters, dated 16 June 1944, as pertains to Award of Purple Heart to GLEN J. SHEEN, 39 912 199, Pvt, Inf, Co "F", 15th Infantry Regiment, is revoked.

VI - AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS NO. 264, 1944. So much of Section I, General Orders No. 264, this headquarters, dated 14 November 1944, as pertains to Award of Purple Heart to VIRGIL V. LAUGHLIN, O1 294 679, Capt, Inf, HQ 3rd Bn, 15th Infantry Regiment, is amended to read "Award of 1st Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart".

VII - AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS NO. 39, cs. So much of Section I, General Orders No. 39, this headquarters, dated 8 February 1945, as pertains to Award of Purple Heart to GEORGE KUSHNER, Jr, 13 021 377, Pvt, Inf, HQ Co, 30th Infantry Regiment, is amended to read "Award of 1st Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart"

By command of Major General O'DANIEL:

CHARLES E. JOHNSON,  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

*S. J. Rogers*  
S. J. ROGERS,  
Major, A. G. D.,  
Adjutant General.

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I - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded each of the following named individuals for wounds received in action against the enemy:

JAMES O. WILEY, 34 762 932, Pfc, Inf, Hq Co, 3rd Bn, 30th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 13 Mar 1944. Residence: Buford, Ga.

RALPH E. WOITH, 36 480 956, Pvt, Inf, Hq Co, 7th Infantry Regiment, France, 24 Aug 1944. Residence: Bloomington, Ill.

JOSEPH BYTNER, 33 246 481, Pfc, Inf, Hq Co, 15th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 13 Oct 1943. Residence: Creekside, Pa.

BONIVENT J. PEPCHINSKI, 42 040 304, Pfc, Inf, Co "E", 15th Infantry Regiment, France, 28 Jan 1945. Residence: Yonkers, N. Y.

HAROLD J. NOBLE, 36 593 783, Pfc, Inf, Co "L", 15th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 31 Jan 1944. Residence: Detroit, Mich.

LOUIS MATUSZEWSKI, 6 551 037, Pfc, Inf, Hq Co, 3rd Bn, 15th Infantry Regiment, France, 29 Nov 1944. Residence: Erie, Pa.

ROBBIE J. HINSLEY, 38 333 728, Pvt, Inf, Co "M", 7th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 29 Sept 1943. Residence: Locksburg, Ark.

MAYNARD O. ROBBINS, 34 008 647, Cpl, Inf, Co "I", 7th Infantry Regiment, Sicily, 11 Aug 1943. Residence: Buffalo Cave, N. C.

ANTON A. HAGEN, 32 308 076, Cpl, Inf, Co "B", 7th Infantry Regiment, Sicily, 10 Aug 1943. Residence: West New York, N. J.

JAMES R. VOSS, 36 829 358, 1st Sgt, Inf, Co "A", 30th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 24 Apr 1944. Residence: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

OVILA H. PICARD, 31 059 904, Sgt, Inf, Co "A", 601st Tank Destroyer Battalion, France, 3 Feb 1945. Residence: Pawtucket, R. I.

IRVING M. ARONOW, 6 906 001, Pfc, Inf, AT Co, 30th Infantry Regiment, France, 21 Aug 1944. Residence: New York City, N. Y.

VINCENT L. PETERSON, 36 780 304, Pfc, Inf, Co "B", 15th Infantry Regiment, France, 1 Feb 1945. Residence: Sorrento, Ill.

IRVING DIAMOND, 32 775 944, S/Sgt, Inf, Co "G", 30th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 24 May 1944. Residence: Newark, N. J.

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JAMES O. WISNER, 34 572 183, S/Sgt, Inf, Co "A", 15th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 Sept 1944. Residence: Calhoun, Ga.

GUNTER L. SCHLEIMER, 32 814 784, Pfc, Inf, Co "L", 30th Infantry Regiment, France, 18 Aug 1944. Residence: New York City, N. Y.

MARVIN P. QUIER, 33 827 055, Pfc, Inf, Co "H", 15th Infantry Regiment, France, 27 Jan 1945. Residence: Hellertown, Pa.

JOHNNIE M. HISAW, 34 278 703, Pfc, Inf, Co "B", 30th Infantry Regiment, France, 16 Sept 1944. Residence: Blue Mountain, Miss.

ROGER W. LEE, 35 899 127, Pfc, Inf, Co "K", 15th Infantry Regiment, France, 30 Jan 1945. Residence: South Bend, Ind.

SAMUEL H. ROBERTS, 01 308 547, Capt, Inf, Co "C", 15th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 2 Mar 1944. Residence: Philadelphia, Pa.

II - AWARD OF 1ST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a 1st Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart previously awarded, is awarded each of the following named individuals for wounds received in action against the enemy:

JOSEPH J. HENDRY, 35 539 750, Cpl, Inf, Co "H", 15th Infantry Regiment, France, 14 Sept 1944. Residence: Cleveland, Ohio.

KENNETH D. COLBURN, 31 261 003, S/Sgt, Inf, Co "A", 15th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 24 May 1944. Residence: Lowell, Mass.

MARSHALL G. GOETZ, 33 723 862, Pfc, Inf, Co "D", 15th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 1 June 1944. Residence: Baltimore, Md.

ONCLO M. AIRHEART, 38 046 090, Pfc, Inf, Co "B", 15th Infantry Regiment, France, 25 Dec 1944. Residence: Trinidad, Texas.

RAYMOND M. SUGG, 34 675 372, Pfc, Inf, Hq Co, 2nd Bn, 15th Infantry Regiment, France, 22 Nov 1944. Residence: Princeton, N. C.

JOSEPH BYTLER, 33 246 481, Pfc, Inf, Hq Co, 15th Infantry Regiment, Italy, 3 Nov 1943. Residence: Creekside, Pa.

III - AWARD OF 2ND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a 2nd Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart previously awarded, is awarded each of the following named individuals for wounds received in action against the enemy:

MARSHALL G. GOETZ, 33 723 862, Pfc, Inf, Co "D", 15th Infantry Regiment, France, 17 Sept 1944. Residence: Baltimore, Md.

CARL B. MORRIS, 35 914 640, Pvt, Inf, Co "K", 15th Infantry Regiment, France, 31 Jan 1945. Residence: Berea, Ohio.

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GO #84, Hq 3d Inf Div, 4 Mar 1945.

cus conduct in action against the enemy on 20 January 1945 near \* \* \*, France.  
Residence: Long Island, New York.

BERNARD E. ROTH, 35 926 913, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", Holtz  
30th Infantry Regiment. For valorous conduct in action against the enemy on 27 wühr  
January 1945 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: Akron, Ohio.

LEROY M. HUMISTON, 42 011 415, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Nied-  
Infantry, Company "F", 30th Infantry Regiment. For valorous conduct in action wühr  
against the enemy on 23 January 1945 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: Fort  
Miller, New York.

RUSSELL DUNHAM, 16 015 617, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", Kaysers-  
30th Infantry Regiment. For valorous conduct in action against the enemy on berg  
17 December 1944 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: Wood River, Illinois.

JOHN W. PATRICK, 32 212 289, Private First Class, Infantry, Company St.  
"M", 30th Infantry Regiment. For valorous conduct in action against the enemy Stall  
on 22 November 1944 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: Hornell, New York.

FRANK SMITH, 34 733 064, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", St.  
30th Infantry Regiment. For valorous conduct in action against the enemy Stall  
22 November 1944 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: Church Hill, Tennessee.

HAROLD W. LUNSFORD, 34 449 374, Private First Class, Infantry, Company Nied-  
"F", 30th Infantry Regiment. For valorous conduct in action against the enemy wühr  
on 23 January 1945 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: Brookhaven, Georgia.

JOHN A. BELL, 11 048 044, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", Kaysers-  
30th Infantry Regiment. For valorous conduct in action against the enemy on berg  
17 December 1944 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: Danvers, Massachusetts.

JOSEPH S. SVOBODA, 33 703 062, Private First Class, Infantry, Company Kaysers-  
"D", 30th Infantry Regiment. For valorous conduct in action against the enemy berg  
on 17 December 1944 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: Irwin, Pennsylvania.

NICOLAS PASQUILL, 01 297 773, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "D", Le  
30th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement in actual combat on 15 Tholy  
October 1944 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: San Francisco, California.

JAMES C. PORPLE, 0 465 151, First Lieutenant, Infantry, S-2, 2nd Bat- Sigol-  
talion, 15th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement in actual combat abein  
on 26 December 1944 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: Casper, Wyoming.

AUDIE L. MURPHY, 01 692 509, First Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Annie  
Infantry, Company "B", 15th Infantry Regiment. For valorous conduct in action Beach-  
against the enemy on 2 March 1944 on the \*\*\* \*\*\*, in Italy. Residence: Green- head  
ville, Texas.

GLENN W. HARRIS, 01 304 073, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Orday  
Company, 2nd Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment. For meritorious achievement  
in actual combat from 15-20 January 1945 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: New  
Castle, Indiana.

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Award of Bronze Star Medal . . . . .	I
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Award of 2nd Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal . . . . .	III
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I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded each of the following named individuals:

NADZARINI PELLAGRINI, 11 053 617, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 41st Field Artillery Battalion. For valorous conduct in action against the enemy on 3 June 1944 near \* \* \*, Italy. Residence: Lynn, Massachusetts.

FERRIS L. SHAW, 39 925 426, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "F", 30th Infantry Regiment. For valorous conduct in action against the enemy on 23 January 1945 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: Provo, Utah.

GRANT POINTER, 38 062 567, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 39th Field Artillery Battalion. For valorous conduct in action against the enemy on 23 December 1943 near \* \* \*, Italy. Residence: Geary, Oklahoma.

CHARLES A. MATHEWY, 34 731 905, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters & Headquarters Battery, 10th Field Artillery Battalion. For valorous conduct in action against the enemy on 30 January 1945 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: Knoxville, Tennessee.

HARRY D. WINTERS, 6 933 761, Private, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 10th Field Artillery Battalion. For valorous conduct in action against the enemy on 22 January 1945 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: Indianola, Nebraska.

ROBERT C. SLADKY, 32 920 176, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Field Artillery, Battery "C", 10th Field Artillery Battalion. For meritorious achievement in actual combat on 20 September 1944 and on 8 October 1944 in France. Residence: North Arlington, New Jersey.

JOSEPH P. MONIURO, 33 404 031, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 10th Field Artillery Battalion. For valorous conduct in action against the enemy on 16 August 1944 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

RAYMOND L. GROSS, 35 668 129, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 10th Field Artillery Battalion. For valorous conduct in action against the enemy on 26 January 1945 near \* \* \*, France. Residence: Cincinnati, Ohio.

DIETRICH SCHEPKER, Jr, 32 898 185, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Headquarters & Headquarters Battery, 10th Field Artillery Battalion. For valorous

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ROBERT V. JONES, 34 844 999, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 15th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On the morning of 25 January 1945, in the vicinity of \*\*\*, France, Private First Class JONES, dragging his heavy machine gun, crawled seventy-five yards under enemy automatic and rifle fire, to place his gun in action one hundred yards from the Germans who were counterattacking our troops. Well in front of all supporting riflemen, Private First Class JONES opened fire and, despite the bullets which struck in his hole with him and plowed into the ground all around, delivered such a volume of accurate fire that the Germans, unable to form an effective firing line, were disrupted and forced to withdraw. Residence: Greenville, Tennessee.

ANDREW R. HAGENBERG, 32 657 303, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company "B", 15th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On the afternoon of 1 November 1944, near \*\*\*, France, Technical Sergeant HAGENBERG ran thirty-five yards over coverless terrain to singlehandedly attack a camouflaged enemy machine gun that had surprised his platoon by suddenly opening fire from its concealed position. Machine gun bullets ripped the sergeant's sleeve and jacket as he ran toward the gun, and when the enemy gun jammed, the German threw a hand grenade which bounced off the sergeant's chest, failing to explode. Technical Sergeant HAGENBERG jumped into the enemy gun emplacement and after ducking a blow aimed at him, killed the German gunner with a burst of Tommy gun fire, thereby eliminating the enemy machine gun. Residence: Brookly, New York..

WILLIAM REED, 44 040 163, Sergeant (then Private), Infantry, Company "A", 15th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On 5 February 1945, at about 0530 hours, Sergeant REED ran forty yards without cover, in the face of fire from three enemy machine guns, to clear an enemy-held house near \*\*\*, France. Interlocking bands of fire from these guns barely missed him, but he reached the house and, firing his BAR from the hip, proceeded to clear the enemy from the building. In this aggressive manner, Sergeant REED killed three Germans and captured five, enabling his company to clear the strong-point of enemy. Residence: Lodge, Tennessee.

ELMER C. BRAWLEY, 37 402 205, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company "B", 15th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On the afternoon of 26 January 1945, in the \*\*\*, France, Staff Sergeant BRAWLEY ran from man to man, under enemy fire, to direct their fire upon a numerically superior enemy force. Running sixty yards under a fusillade of enemy bullets that spattered inches from him, he personally manned a light machine gun and killed four Germans no more than 100 yards from him. Then he returned to directing the fire of his men until the enemy were repulsed, leaving eight dead behind them. Residence: Ellington, Missouri.

HARRY D. KEATOR, 12 091 092, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", 15th Infantry Regiment. For gallantry in action. On the afternoon of 25 January 1945, near the \*\*\*, France, Technical Sergeant KEATOR, noticing a group of approximately twenty cleverly concealed and well dug in Germans, who had a machine gun trained upon a bridge about to be crossed by our troops, grabbed a light machine gun and singlehandedly engaged the enemy force. In a ten minute fire fight, during which enemy bullets barely missed him, he wiped out the enemy machine gun crew, killed twelve Germans, forced the remainder to flee and averted a surprise action on the part of the enemy which would have been costly to our troops. Residence: Stony Point, New York.

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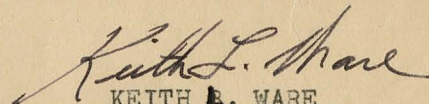
I am KEITH L. WARE, Infantry, Lieutenant Colonel, Commanding Officer, Second Battalion, Fifteenth Infantry. At the time of the following action, I was Executive Officer, Fifteenth Infantry Regiment, in which capacity I have intimate personal knowledge thereof:

During the offensive which smashed the COLMAR Bridgehead and drove the German forces from their last foothold on French soil, Company "B", Fifteenth Infantry, moved into the BOIS DE RIEDWIHR. Control of this forest had been wrested from the enemy at a heavy cost in blood. Its possession was of cardinal importance as the woods dominated the German stronghold of HOLTZWIHR, reduction of which was essential to the prompt accomplishment of the Third Division's offensive tasks.

Accordingly, on the afternoon of 26 January 1945, the enemy launched a determined counterattack, hurling two companies and six heavy tanks at Company "B"'s position in an effort to retake the woods at any cost.

The heroism of one man, Second Lieutenant AUDIE L. MURPHY, was primarily responsible for repelling this ferocious counterattack. Voluntarily remaining at the hazardous post he had chosen after the rest withdrew, Lieutenant MURPHY first directed deadly artillery fire on the advancing enemy, then held the assault elements off with machine gun fire from the exposed turret of a knocked-out and burning tank destroyer. Personally killing or wounding an estimated 50 Germans, fighting on despite a painful leg wound and despite the fact that his tank destroyer threatened to explode under his feet, Lieutenant MURPHY shattered the enemy counterattack, saving his Company from possible encirclement and destruction and enabling his Regiment to hold the woods which had been won with such difficulty.

Had Lieutenant MURPHY failed to make his heroic one-man stand, he would not have been censured.

  
KEITH L. WARE  
Lt. Col., 15th Infantry  
Commanding.

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COMPANY "B" FIFTEENTH INFANTRY  
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COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE RENDERED

I am ANTHONY V. ABRAMSKI, 42060471, ~~Private First Class~~, Rifleman, Company "B", Fifteenth Infantry, in which capacity I was present at and an eye-witness to the following action:

On 26 January 1945, Company "B" was out in open country just beyond a tongue of woods near HOLTZWILHR, FRANCE. At about 1400 hours, the enemy counter-attacked with a terrific punch. Six heavy tanks started coming toward us with about two companies of German infantrymen following them. The assault was preceded by a ten minute artillery concentration on our positions.

Second Lieutenant AUDIE L. MURPHY, O-1692509, ordered us to withdraw to positions we had prepared about 100 yards inside the woods. As we pulled back, the KRAUT infantry moved up behind their screen of tanks. The tank guns and machine guns were firing at us all the time.

Lieutenant MURPHY remained at his CP, which was under a tree in the open meadow, so that he could direct artillery fire on the advancing enemy. Together with a tank destroyer, which was across the main road through the woods and about 10 yards to his right rear, he held that rearguard position under raking fire from the German tanks.

From my position in the woods, I saw a direct hit from an enemy 88mm gun smash into our tank destroyer. The crew piled out as fast as they could and withdrew toward the company position in the forest. A lot of smoke was coming out of the knocked out TD. It was slowly burning.

The enemy tanks were now abreast of Lieutenant MURPHY's position, rolling across the open field on both sides of him and firing at him with their cannon and machine guns as they passed. AP and HE shells struck all over the area. The Lieutenant stood bolt upright, giving fire directions, although fragments from exploding shells cut through the leaves of the tree beneath which he was standing. The tanks swept past him.

All this time, Lieutenant MURPHY calmly continued to direct artillery fire on the KRAUT infantry, which was advancing about 200 yards behind the tanks. I saw shell after shell explode in the midst of the German skirmish line. Dozens of Germans were killed by our concentrations, but the line kept moving toward us.

As we engaged the KRAUT tanks with bazooka and directed artillery fire, I saw Lieutenant MURPHY climb on top of the burning tank destroyer while bursts of machine pistol fire from the advancing infantry battered against the hull and tread. Though smoke was pouring from the open hatch, Lieutenant MURPHY climbed on top and opened up on the enemy with the TD's 50 caliber machine gun. The

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destroyer was burning inside, and it was chock full of ammunition and gasoline; at any moment the thing might have blown up. It was like standing on top of a time bomb.

The KRAUTS threw everything they had at Lieutenant MURPHY. As the destroyer had been knocked out with its three inch gun facing the enemy, he had to swing the 50 caliber around 180 degrees to engage the KRAUT and he had to fire over the open turret. That meant that he was standing on the TD chassis, exposed to enemy fire from his ankles to his head and silhouetted against the trees and the snow behind him.

As the infantry swarmed up toward the destroyer, they fired their automatic weapons and rifles at Lieutenant MURPHY. I could see their white machine gun tracers smash against the hull and turret and then glance off. The small arms fire seemed to be converging in on him from all directions, and I don't understand yet how he came through it alive.

Then about a dozen Germans worked their way up through a ditch to get him from his right flank. They advanced by stealth to within 50 yards of him, then Lieutenant MURPHY spotted them. Wheeling his machine gun toward this new enemy, he fired burst after burst down into the gully, killing the entire German force.

The six German tanks faltered in their attack on our prepared positions because they had no infantry support. The tanks turned and moved through the woods toward Lieutenant MURPHY's position, firing at him with their 88mm guns and machine guns. I could see Lieutenant MURPHY fire his machine gun at the approaching tanks, forcing them to button up, then turn his weapon on the infantry, which was still advancing under a curtain of automatic weapons fire.

Friendly artillery fire shelled the path of the cruising tanks, preventing them from overrunning Lieutenant MURPHY's position. HE shells from the German Mark VI's scored two or three direct hits on Lieutenant MURPHY's destroyer. Flames burst from the hatches and the whole tank destroyer was sometimes wrapped in billows of smoke. When the smoke cleared after one of these shell hits, I saw that Lieutenant MURPHY had been hit. His uniform was tattered and spattered with dirt, and blood was seeping through his torn trouser leg.

Through all this furious fire, Lieutenant MURPHY stood in his exposed position and fired whenever the Germans attempted to advance. I saw him kill KRAUTS in the ditches and ground folds and on the open meadow. Assault elements rushed forward to within 10 yards of his destroyer in a desperate effort to swarm over it or set it ablaze with grenades. Lieutenant MURPHY stopped and killed these Germans with machine gun fire at ranges of 10 to 20 yards from his position.

Bleeding freely from his leg wound, his face black from smoke and dirt hurled up by exploding shells, Lieutenant MURPHY fought on, killing a total of about 25 and wounding approximately two dozen more of the enemy. I expected

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to see the whole damn tank destroyer blow up under him any minute.

For an hour, he held off the enemy force single-handed, fighting against impossible odds. When his last round of ammunition was spent, Lieutenant MURPHY climbed painfully down from the top of the tank destroyer and made his way back to our company position. Although his wound looked really bad, he refused to wait for treatment. He reorganized the Company and led us in an attack which swept the German force back into the woods they had come from. After he had done that, he stopped for first aid right on the field, but he wouldn't take evacuation.

The fight that Lieutenant MURPHY put up was the greatest display of guts and courage I have ever seen. There is only one in a million who would be willing to stand up on a burning vehicle, loaded up with explosives, and hold off around 250 raging KRAUTS for an hour and do all that when he was wounded. Lieutenant MURPHY not only stood off one of the most rugged and determined squarehead forces I have ever run into, but he must have killed and wounded about a hundred of them with directed artillery and 50 caliber fire.

*Anthony J. Abramski*

ANTHONY J. ABRAMSKI  
Pfc 42060471  
Co "B" 15th Inf

Subscribed and sworn to me this 21 day of February 1945.

*Charles C. Blossom Jr.*  
CHARLES C. BLOSSOM Jr.  
1st Lieut. Infantry  
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BATTERY "A" 39TH FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION  
A. P. O. #3 U. S. ARMY

COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE RENDERED

I am WALTER W. WEISPFENNING, O-1998698, Field Artillery, First Lieutenant, Forward Observer, Battery "A", 39th Field Artillery Battalion, in which capacity I was present at and an eyewitness of the following action:

On 26 January 1945, Company "B", Fifteenth Infantry, was in position south of the Bois de Riedwihl near HOLTZWILR, FRANCE. In the afternoon, at about 1400 hours, we received a terrific concentration of artillery fire which lasted approximately ten minutes.

When the artillery fire ceased, I saw six heavy tanks emerge from enemy-held woods about 400 yards to our front. The tanks rolled forward, firing on us with their "88s" as they advanced across the snow-covered ground.

Company "B" was commanded by Second Lieutenant AUDIE L. MURPHY, O-1692509. He ordered his men to withdraw to prepared positions about 200 yards inside the woods as it was apparent that the enemy was launching an attack in massive strength.

As the men withdrew, I saw hundreds of German infantrymen swarming out of the woods, firing their automatic weapons on us as they advanced. Lieutenant MURPHY remained at his CP, which consisted of a telephone under a tree at the edge of the woods, and directed artillery fire on the advancing line of tanks and the infantry elements coming up behind them. He was all alone out there except for a tank destroyer, which was in position about 10 yards to his right. During this phase of the German attack, I radioed fire directions to Battery "A" from a vantage point in the cleared ground approximately 100 yards in front of Lieutenant MURPHY's CP.

Our directed artillery had a murderous effect on the KRAUT infantry. Shells exploded in the midst of their skirmish line and among their support elements. I saw Germans falling or disappearing in clouds of dirt and snow. We must have killed more than 30 of them, but others immediately took their place.

A direct hit from a German "88" smashed into our tank destroyer. Smoke and flame spurted out of it and the crew bailed out. I saw the TD men withdrawing through the woods toward the rest of the Company. Then Lieutenant MURPHY told me to withdraw and set up my OP in the woods where Company "B" had its prepared positions, stating that we couldn't afford to lose my radio and that he would continue to give fire directions by telephone as long as possible.

As I worked my way back through the woods, I saw the German tanks crashing their way through the heavy snow on both flanks of us, firing round after round into Lieutenant MURPHY's position. Although shells exploded between the TD and the place where the Lieutenant was standing, showering the tree beside his OP with bits of flying steel, and despite a hail of machine gun fire from the tanks, Lieutenant MURPHY kept on transmitting fire orders with the utmost calm.

Rejoining the Company, I set up an OP in the forest. The woods were sparse and there was practically no underbrush. I could see everything that was happening.

The KRAUT tanks rumbled past Lieutenant MURPHY's position, passing him by as close as 50 yards and firing at him as they passed. They didn't close in for the kill because they wanted to give our tank destroyer, which was burning but not in flames, as wide a berth as possible.

While we attempted to hold off the tanks with directed artillery fire and bazooka rockets, the KRAUT infantry line, consisting of two full-strength companies of 125 men each, surged up across the open meadow in a wide arc. As they advanced, they fired their machine pistols and rifles at Lieutenant MURPHY.

Then I saw Lieutenant MURPHY do the bravest thing that I have ever seen any man do in combat. With the Germans only 100 yards away and still moving up on him, he climbed onto the slowly burning tank destroyer and began firing the 50 caliber machine gun at the KRAUTS. There he was, completely exposed and silhouetted against the background of bare trees and snow, with a fire under him that threatened to blow the destroyer to bits if it reached the gasoline and ammunition. 88mm shells, machine gun, machine pistol and rifle fire crashed all around him.

Standing on top of the TD, Lieutenant MURPHY raked the approaching enemy force with machine gun fire. Twelve Germans, stealing up a ditch to flank him from his right, were killed in the gully at 50 yards range by concentrated fire from his 50 caliber gun. Twice the tank destroyer he was standing on was hit by artillery fire and Lieutenant MURPHY was enveloped in clouds of smoke and spurts of flame. His clothing was torn and riddled by flying shell fragments and bits of rock. Bullets ricocheted and careened off the tank destroyer as the enemy concentrated the full fury of his fire on this one-man strongpoint.

He was wounded in the leg by fragmentation from an 88mm shell, but he kept on fighting. With blood spreading over his torn trouser leg, he continued to hold off the entire German force of about 250 men, aided only by our artillery fire. The enemy tanks,

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unwilling to press their attack on Company "B" without infantry support, had meanwhile returned and were milling around the meadow, firing their "88s" at Lieutenant MURPHY's position.

Covered with grime and dust, Lieutenant MURPHY withstood persistent fire from the tank guns and a hailstorm of automatic weapons fire from the tanks and infantry. Germans crept forward through ground folds; others attempted to rush his exposed position. He killed KRAUTS as close as ten yards from his burning tank destroyer. Their corpses lay clogging the draws and on the open meadow beyond the woods.

Fighting on despite his wound, Lieutenant MURPHY killed and wounded an estimated 35 of the enemy in addition to the 12 he killed in the ditch. After an hour long fight, exhausted, bleeding profusely and his ammunition spent, Lieutenant MURPHY limped back to his Company. He reorganized his men and led them in a violent attack on the enemy, driving the Germans from the area. Lieutenant MURPHY then had his wound treated on the field. He consistently refused to be evacuated.

Lieutenant MURPHY's intrepid stand resulted directly in inflicting at least a hundred casualties on the attacking force. Fighting alone against overwhelming odds, he smashed a powerful assault, enabling his Regiment to hold ground that was won at a heavy cost in blood.

*Walter W. Weispfenning*  
WALTER W. WEISPFENNING  
1st Lieut. 39th FA Bn

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COMPANY "B" FIFTEENTH INFANTRY  
A. P. O. #3 U. S. ARMY

COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE RENDERED

I am ELMER C. BRAWLEY, 37402205, Infantry, Acting Platoon Sergeant, Company "B", Fifteenth Infantry, in which capacity I was present at and an eyewitness to the following action:

Company "B" on 26 January 1945 was south of the BOIS DE RIEDWIHR near HOLTZWIHR, FRANCE. At about 1400 hours in the afternoon we came under a heavy concentration of artillery fire for about ten minutes. When this artillery fire was lifted, six German Mark VI tanks came out of the woods some 400 yards to our front, charging toward us as they fired their 88mm guns.

Second Lieutenant AUDIE L. MURPHY, O-1692509, our Company Commander, ordered us to withdraw to previously prepared positions 200 yards within the woods. As we withdrew across the snow-covered ground, hundreds of enemy infantrymen poured out of the woods, firing automatic weapons as they came.

Lieutenant MURPHY stayed on at his CP under a pine tree on the edge of the woods and directed artillery fire by telephone upon the advancing tanks and infantrymen. Except for a tank destroyer 10 yards to his right rear and a forward observer, Lieutenant MURPHY was out there alone.

Our artillery shells landed squarely in the midst of the advancing KRAUTS, killing at least 30 of them; but as the dead Germans fell, others streamed out of the woods to take their place.

Meanwhile, the enemy tanks continued to fire. A direct hit knocked out our tank destroyer and it began to pour out smoke. The tank destroyer men withdrew to the main elements of Company "B", followed by the forward observer, who, I learned, was ordered by Lieutenant MURPHY to set up an OP in the company area.

Lieutenant MURPHY, however, continued to remain at his CP, directing artillery by telephone. The enemy Mark VI tanks crashed through on both our flanks, firing persistently at the Lieutenant and shattering branches of the trees at his side with shell fragments. In a storm of machine gun fire from the tanks, he coolly went on telephoning fire orders.

The hostile tanks charged by Lieutenant MURPHY's CP, coming within 50 yards as they passed and firing at him; but apparently they wanted to avoid the burning tank destroyer and so didn't come any closer.

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About 250 KRAUTS circled around through the open meadow to the front. These infantrymen fired rifles and machine pistols at Lieutenant MURPHY as they pressed forward. We were meanwhile attempting to hold off the Mark VI's with bazooka and artillery fire.

When the Germans had gotten within 100 yards of him and were closing in on him, Lieutenant MURPHY got on top of the hull of the tank destroyer, which was burning and threatening to explode at any moment. He seized the 50 caliber machine gun and fired straight at the advancing KRAUTS, who moved irresistibly closer and closer. Silhouetted vividly against the nude trees, dark evergreens, and deep snow, without cover of any kind, he stood there, as the flames moved closer to the gasoline and ammunition in the tank destroyer. All around him, 88 mm shells, and bullets from machine guns, machine pistols, and rifles, shook the forests and sent up flurries of snow and dirt,

He killed 12 Germans trying to outflank him from his right; but the German hordes were so numerous that they kept on coming. Twice Lieutenant MURPHY was blotted from sight by sudden spurts of flame when his tank destroyer was hit by enemy artillery. Machine gun bullets pelted the sides of the vehicle and shot by dangerously close to him, while shell fragments and pieces of rock shredded his clothes; but he stayed at his perilous post.

Finally, fragmentation from an 88 mm shell hit him in the leg; but even then he continued to hold off the entire enemy force, helped solely by artillery fire.

The enemy tanks, meanwhile, returned because Lieutenant MURPHY had held up the supporting infantry and they were apparently loathe to advance further without infantry support. These tanks added their murderous fire to that of the KRAUT artillery and small arms fire that showered Lieutenant MURPHY's position without cessation.

The KRAUT infantrymen got within 10 yards of Lieutenant MURPHY, but he killed them in the draws, in the meadows, in the woods-- wherever he saw them. Though wounded and covered with soot and dirt which must have obscured his vision at times, he held the HUNS at bay, killing and wounding at least 35 of the enemy during the next hour.

Lieutenant MURPHY, worn out and bleeding profusely, then limped through a continuing hail of fire and brought the Company forward. Refusing to be evacuated, he led us in a savage attack on the enemy, dislodging the Germans from the whole area. When

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the fight was over, he allowed his wound to be treated on the field.

Inflicting more than a 100 casualties on the enemy during his indomitable one-man struggle, Lieutenant MURPHY broke the entire attack of the Germans and held hard-won ground that it would have been disastrous to lose.

*Elmer C Brawley*

ELMER C. BRAWLEY  
Sgt 37402205  
Co "B" 15th Inf

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1 day of March 1945.

*Charles C. Blossom Jr.*  
CHARLES C. BLOSSOM Jr.  
1st Lieut. Infantry  
Summary Court

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From: CG, 3rd Infantry Division  
To: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,  
Main, Versailles, France  
DTG: 242149B 24 May 1945

No ref nbr, to AGWAR Washington DC.

Request information on how following officer can enter US Military Academy class of 2 July 1945. Following personal data for your information:

1st Lt Audie Eon Murphy, 01692509, Infantry, AUS, combat appointee per Par 1 80 259, Hdqtrs 3rd Infantry Division, 14 October 1944. Will be 21 years of age on 20 June 1945. Marital status, single. Has achieved equivalent of high school education. Home address: Greenville Texas. Character: Excellent. Service as enlisted man from 30 June 1942. Meets physical requirements, has demonstrated positively outstanding ability for leadership, has participated in seven campaigns, holds following decorations: Medal of Honor, Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Bronze Star, Purple Heart with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Distinguished Unit Badge, Legion of Merit recommendation on this officer now ETO Hdqtrs. Present assignment: Commands Infantry Rifle Company, 15th Infantry Regiment. All regulations and directives pertaining to candidates for West Point concern enlisted men only. This officer is outstanding. It is urgently requested that special consideration be given to his application.

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DATE 31 May 1945		NAME OF OFFICER PREPARING P. E. Johnson

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TO: COMMANDING GENERAL HEADQUARTERS COMMUNICATION ZONE EUROPEAN THEATER  
OF OPERATIONS USA PARIS FRANCE  
CONCERNING APPOINTMENT USMA FOR ONE LIEUTENANT AUDIE EON MURPHY ZERO  
ONE SIX NINE TWO FIVE ZERO NINE ULIO TAG URAD TWO FOUR TWO ONE FOUR NINE  
BAKER INFORMATION WILL BE FURNISHED SOON

MEMO FOR RECORD:

Colonel Parks, G-1, W.D.G.S., directed that no action be taken on the above mentioned incoming radiogram until he advised to do so. He called late 30 May 1945 stating information was not yet available to furnish CG ETO and to send acknowledgment of message.

R.B.Belnap, M.A.Section, 31 May 45.

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TO: COMMANDING GENERAL HEADQUARTERS COMMUNICATION ZONE EUROPEAN THEATER  
OF OPERATIONS USA PARIS FRANCE

CONSIDERED INADVISABLE BECAUSE OF TIME AVAILABLE TO PREPARE FOR ENTRANCE  
EXAMINATION TO ATTEMPT USMA FOR LT AUDIE BON MURPHY THIS YEAR URAD TWO FOUR  
TWO ONE FOUR NINE BAKER ULIO TAG LEGISLATION PENDING TO RAISE AGE LIMITS FOR  
WAR VETERANS IN WHICH EVENT WAR DEPARTMENT PROPOSES ASSIGNING MURPHY TO USMAP  
UNIT FOR ONE NINE FOUR FIVE DASH FOUR SIX PD IN ANY EVENT HE SHOULD BE FAVORABLY  
CONSIDERED FOR REGULAR ARMY COMMISSION

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FILE NO. WDGAP 201  
Murphy, Audie Eon

SUBJECT 1st Lieutenant Audie Eon Murphy, O-1692509, Inf, AUS.  
into U. S. Military Academy

TO TAG

FROM, G-1, WDGS

DATE 1 June 45 COMMENT NO. 1  
Colonel Parks/3182/phb

SEC/WAR DIRECTS:

1. That reply be made by radio to CM-IN-23666, 25 May 1945, substantially as follows:

Considered inadvisable because of time available to prepare for entrance examination to attempt USMA for Murphy this year. Legislation pending to raise age limits for war veterans in which event War Department proposes assigning Murphy to USMA Preparatory Unit for 1946 class. In any event he should be favorably considered for Regular Army commission.

2. That providing the legislation now pending to raise the age limit for war veterans to enter USMA is favorably acted upon, necessary action be taken to assign Lieutenant Murphy to a USMA Preparatory Unit and that the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1 be advised.

FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-1:

*R. R. Coursey*  
R. R. COURSEY  
Colonel, G.S.C.  
Executive, Personnel Group

Memo for record:

Colonel R. R. Coursey was contacted by telephone this date and stated that the present regulations requiring holding of appointment and qualification on preliminary physical examination are waived to permit attendance of Lt. Murphy at USMAP Unit in 1945-46, provided age requirements are changed. Final qualifications will be determined at the 5 March 1946 entrance examination under whatever appointment may be obtained by Lt. Murphy. This is not in any way to be construed as a waiver in lieu of Lt. Murphy's undergoing the physical examination and whatever part of the mental examination prescribed by the Academic Board.

*P. E. Johnson*  
P. E. Johnson, Major, A.G.D.,  
OIC, Mil. Acad. Section,  
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EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS  
UNITED STATES ARMY

DCG/vwl  
APO 887  
8 June 1945

AG 300.4 (7 June 1945) F-581

Subject: Orders.

To: Officers and Enlisted Men Concerned.

1. The Theater Commander directs as necessary in the military service that the officers and enlisted men named below, organizations indicated, proceed by first available air transportation from their present station in this theater to San Antonio, Texas, on temporary duty for the purpose of carrying out the instructions of the Theater Commander. Upon completion of this duty, the officers and enlisted men named below will report to the Commanding Officer, Reception Stations indicated, for further instructions. The officers named below are relieved from further assignment and duty in this theater, EDCMR: 13 June 1945. The enlisted men named below are transferred in grade to Reception Stations as indicated, EDCMR: 13 June 1945. This is a permanent change of station.

Reception Sta No 1, Fort Devens, Mass

LT COL EDWARD AUSTIN, 0311026, FA, atchd unasgd to 14th Reinforcement Depot

Reception Sta No 10, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

LT COL JOHN N. GREEN, 0333369, FA, 132d FA Bn  
LT COL JAMES L. MINOR, 0406993, Inf, 142d Inf Regt, 36th Inf Div  
1ST LT AUDIE L. MURPHY, 01692509, Inf, 15th Inf Regt, 3d Inf Div  
1st Sgt Leonard P. Hooker, 38050669, 111th Engr Bn, 36th Inf Div  
T Sgt Aubrey V. Miller, 38133618, 7th Inf Regt, 3d Inf Div  
T Sgt William A. Dorman, 18030327, 407th Inf Regt, 102d Inf Div  
S Sgt Sam H. Gingles, 38051357, 142d Inf Regt, 36th Inf Div  
S Sgt Henry E. Thornton, 6259340, 406th Inf Regt, 102d Inf Div  
S Sgt Clifford D. Sherrill, 38203697, 319th Inf Regt, 80th Inf Div  
S Sgt Alfred P. DeLazerda, 38033063, 15th Inf Regt, 3d Inf Div  
Tec 5 Boyce L. Conder, 38158399, 30th Inf Regt, 3d Inf Div  
Col Russell D. Derrick, 6299208, 109th Inf Regt, 28th Inf Div  
Pfc E. N. Ratcliff, 38037418, 143d Inf Regt, 36th Inf Div  
Pfc Leonard G. O'Neill, 20800922, 36th Cav Rcn Gp, 36th Inf Div  
Pfc James H. Priest, 6954879, 110th Inf Regt, 28th Inf Div  
Pfc Salvador R. Gutierrez, 38053100, 111th Med Bn, 36th Inf Div  
Pfc Roy F. Kelly, 20801897, 141st Inf Regt, 36th Inf Div  
Pfc Johnny B. Jennings, 38044128, 179th Inf Regt, 45th Inf Div  
Pfc Arthur J. Coffman, 20836792, 157th Inf Regt, 45th Inf Div  
1ST LT L. D. STEPHENSON, 01297111, Inf, 301st Inf Regt, 94th Inf Div

2. Travel will be performed by military or naval aircraft, Army or Naval transport, commercial steamship, belligerent vessel or aircraft and rail. The provisions of AR 35-4820, 19 Apr 1945, will apply for the officers named above while traveling outside this theater and while in the United States.

3. It being impracticable for the Government to furnish quarters and cooking facilities for rations in kind, the Finance Department will pay each of the enlisted men named above the monetary allowances in lieu thereof, as prescribed in AR 35-4810, 19 Apr 1945, while traveling outside this theater and while on this temporary duty, except where Government quarters and/or rations are available. A per diem of seven dollars (\$7.00) is authorized each of the enlisted men named above while traveling by air outside this theater.

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4. A baggage allowance of 85 lbs is authorized each individual named above while traveling by air. All other authorized and excess personal baggage will be packed, addressed with owner's name, rank, army serial number, arm and specific address in the United States to which such baggage is to be forwarded, and turned over to the Effects Quartermaster for shipment by water to the United States. Request for the shipment of baggage to the United States will be made in accordance with par 3b, Cir 61, this hq, 4 June 1944. The individual named above will be equipped as prescribed in Cir 43, this hq, 19 Apr 1945.

5. Information concerning War Department, Army or personal activities of a military nature within this theater will not be discussed in private or public and will not be disclosed by means of newspapers, magazines, books, lectures or radio, or any other method, without prior clearance through the War Department Bureau of Public Relations or the appropriate Public Relations Office of Army Installations.

6. Correspondents and publishers will be notified to discontinue mailing letters and publications until they receive notification of new address. The appropriate WD AGO Forms will be used for the above purpose.

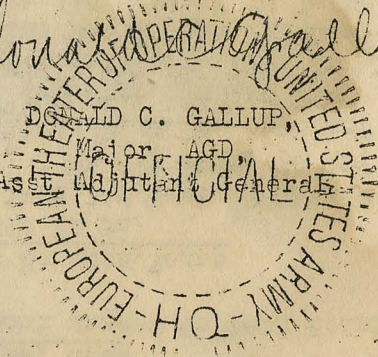
7. TCNT. TDN. PCS. 60-114, 500 P 431-02,03,04,07,08 A 212/50425.

8. Attention is invited to classified letter, this headquarters, 16 Sept 1943, file AG 311.4, relative to clearance through customs on leaving and entering the United States.

9. Auth: WD Cables, WAR 83069 and WAR 83182, 16 May 1945.

*Donald C. Gallup*

DONALD C. GALLUP  
Major, AGD  
Asst Adjutant General



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Fort Sam Houston, Texas  
13 June 1945

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50. The following named AC Officers, having returned to the US as directed in Letter Orders, Headquarters, ETOUSA, APO 887, AG 300.4 (7 Jun 45) F-582 dtd 8 Jun 45, as amended, are asgd to Orgn & Stations indicated below for processing and reasgmt:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>MOS</u>	<u>RECUPERATION ADDRESS</u>
<u>ASGD TO: AAF REDISTRIBUTION STATION #4, SANTA ANA AAB, SANTA ANA, CALIF</u>				
Randerson, Luther W.	Lt Col	0725789	1055	2003 Sabine St, Austin, Tex

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>MOS</u>	<u>RECUPERATION ADDRESS</u>
<u>ASGD TO: AAF REDISTRIBUTION STATION #2, CADILLAC HOTEL, MIAMI BEACH, FLA</u>				
Turner, Jack L.	1st Lt	0730991	1082	Oklahoma City, Okla

Officers will proceed to points shown above in connection with thirty (30) days TDY for recuperation. Upon expiration of that period, they will proceed to their proper stations as indicated above. Lt Col Randerson will report to AAF RS #4, Santa Ana, Calif not later than 17 July 1945 and Lt Turner will report to AAF RS #2, Miami Beach, Fla not later than 18 July 1945.

Authority is granted to visit such additional places within the United States as may be desired during this period of TDY for recuperation, at no expense to the Govt.

TDN: TPA. No T/R furn. PCS. 501-31 P 431-01, 02, 03, 07, 08 212/50425.  
Auth: Suppl #3 to PRI; WD Memo No. 600-45 Wash DC dtd 22 May 45 and  
WD Ltr TAGO, Wash DC AG 370.5 (8 Jun 45)OB-I dtd 12 Jun 45.  
EDCMR: 18 June 1945.

51. So much of par 1, Ltr O's, Hq, ETOUSA, APO 887, AG 300.4 (7 Jun 45)F-583 dtd 8 Jun 45, as directs T Sgt Theron L. Severance, 6395532 to report to The Adjutant General, WD, for further assignment upon completion of TDY in San Antonio, Texas is amended to direct EM to report to Reception Sta #10, Ft Sam Houston, Texas for further disposition with EDCMR 14 June 1945, upon completion of this TDY.  
(Auth: WD Ltr TAGO, Wash DC AG 370.5 (8 Jun 45)OB-I dtd 12 Jun 45.)

52. The following named Officers, having returned to the US as directed in Ltr Orders, Hq, ETOUSA, APO 887, AG 300.4 (7 Jun 45)F-581 dtd 8 Jun 45, are asgd to ARMY GROUND & SERVICE FORCES REDISTRIBUTION STATION, FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS for processing and reasgmt:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>BRANCH</u>	<u>RECUPERATION ADDRESS</u>
Green, John N.	Lt Col	0333369	FA	Abileno, Texas
Minor, James L.	Lt Col	0406993	Inf	Brownwood, Texas
Murphy, Audie L.	1st Lt	01692509	Inf	Farmersville, Texas
Stephenson, L. D.	1st Lt	01297111	Inf	Chireno, Texas

Officers will proceed to points shown above in connection with thirty (30) days TDY for recuperation. Upon expiration of that period, they will proceed to AG & SF RS, Ft Sam Houston, Tex reporting thereat not later than 16 July 1945.

Authority is granted to visit such additional places within the United States as may be desired during this period of TDY for recuperation, at no expense to the Govt.

Officers departing this station o/a 14 Jun 45.  
TDN: TPA. No T/R furn. PCS. 501-31 P 431-01, 02, 03, 07, 08 212/50425.  
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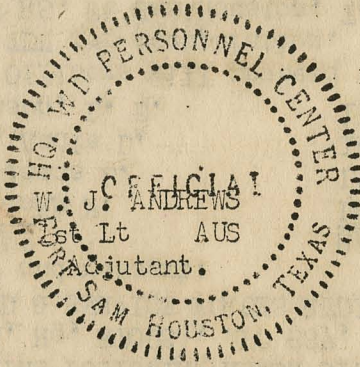
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By order of Colonel SCHUMACHER:

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I. **MEDAL OF HONOR.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), a Medal of Honor for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty was awarded by the War Department in the name of Congress to the following-named officer:

Second Lieutenant Audie L. Murphy, O1692509, 15th Infantry, Army of the United States, on 26 January 1945, near Holtzwihr, France, commanded Company B, which was attacked by six tanks and waves of infantry. Lieutenant *Murphy* ordered his men to withdraw to a prepared position in a woods while he remained forward at his command post and continued to give fire directions to the artillery by telephone. Behind him to his right one of our tank destroyers received a direct hit and began to burn. Its crew withdrew to the woods. Lieutenant *Murphy* continued to direct artillery fire which killed large numbers of the advancing enemy infantry. With the enemy tanks abreast of his position, Lieutenant *Murphy* climbed on the burning tank destroyer which was in danger of blowing up any instant and employed its .50 caliber machine gun against the enemy. He was alone and exposed to German fire from three sides, but his deadly fire killed dozens of Germans and caused their infantry attack to waver. The enemy tanks, losing infantry support, began to fall back. For an hour the Germans tried every available weapon to eliminate Lieutenant *Murphy*, but he continued to hold his position and wiped out a squad which was trying to creep up unnoticed on his right flank. Germans reached as close as 10 yards only to be mowed down by his fire. He received a leg wound but ignored it and continued the single-handed fight until his ammunition was exhausted. He then made his way to his company, refused medical attention, and organized the company in a counterattack which forced the Germans to withdraw. His directing of artillery fire wiped out many of the enemy; he personally killed or wounded about 50. Lieutenant *Murphy's* indomitable courage and his refusal to give an inch of ground saved his company from possible encirclement and destruction and enabled it to hold the woods which had been the enemy's objective.

II. **DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Distinguished-Service Cross for extraordinary heroism in action against an enemy was awarded posthumously by the War Department to the following-named enlisted man:

Private First Class Eugene J. Procaccini (Army serial No. 32758880), 30th Infantry, Army of the United States, at Carano, Italy, 29 February 1944, with one assistant, manned an outpost 300 yards in advance of his company and held it in the face of repeated and determined enemy infantry attacks supported by mortar and artillery fire. He refused to fall back, even when told that his mission had been accomplished, and for 2 hours continued to hold off the

enemy and inflict heavy casualties. Germans came as close as 20 yards but could not succeed in overrunning or outflanking the outpost because of Private *Procaccini's* accurate fire. He and his assistant, in their determination to hold at all costs, prevented two German platoons from advancing. Finally an enemy shell made a direct hit on the outpost, killing both its defenders. The extraordinary heroism of Private *Procaccini* prevented the full brunt of the German assault from falling on his company and allowed time for our forces to bring artillery to bear, eventually breaking up the enemy attack.

**III. LEGION OF MERIT.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD, Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD, Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during the period indicated was awarded posthumously by the War Department to the following-named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel *Aloysius J. McGrail*, O124328, Signal Corps, Army of the United States. May 1941 to April 1945.

**IV. LEGION OF MERIT.**—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit, in the Degree of Officer, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during the periods indicated was awarded by the War Department to the following-named officers:

Major *Yves Belan*, First French Army. August to November 1944.

Major *Jean Bich*, First French Army. 15 August to 15 November 1944.

Colonel *Jules Auguste Robert Brygoo*, First French Army. 15 August to 15 November 1944.

Colonel *René Aurelien Joseph Coué*, I French Corps. 1 July to 15 November 1944.

Lieutenant Colonel *Jean De France*, First French Army. 15 August to 15 November 1944.

Brigadier General *René de Hesdin*, French Army. 15 September to 14 December 1944.

Major *Jean Pierre Dulau*, First French Army. 15 August to 15 November 1944.

Lieutenant Colonel *Edouard A. du Souzy*, French Army. 15 December 1944 to 15 February 1945.

Colonel *Pierre Laroque*, French Army. May 1943 to October 1944.

Lieutenant Colonel *Edmond Le Parco*, First French Army. 1 July to 15 November 1944.

Commandant *Edouard Alfred Parlier*, First French Army. 15 August to 15 November 1944.

Major *Jean Perrat*, French Army. August to November 1944.

Lieutenant Colonel *Jean Turnier*, First French Army. 15 August to 1 November 1944.

**V. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.**—1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated was awarded posthumously by the War Department to the following-named officer:

Major *Luther C. Heidger*, O205275, Medical Corps, Army of the United States, 2 March to 7 September 1944.

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2. By direction of the President under the provisions of the Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States was awarded posthumously by the War Department to the following-named enlisted man:

Private *Robert C. Whiteside* (Army Serial No. 6572811), 453d Ordnance Company, Aviation (B), Army of the United States, knowing fully the hazards involved, volunteered to serve as a member of the armed guard on a ship dispatched to the Philippine Islands with a cargo of ammunition and crated aircraft. The vessel sailed 22 February 1942 from Brisbane, Australia, on this vital and dangerous mission. Traversing seas over which the Japanese held naval and air superiority, it docked at Cebu, Philippine Islands, on 14 March and unloaded supplies sorely needed by our troops. Private *Whiteside's* voluntary services were in keeping with the best traditions of the United States Army.

**VI. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.**—1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy of the United States during the periods indicated was awarded by the War Department to the following-named officers, enlisted men, and individual:

Master Sergeant *Ermon R. Addington* (Army Serial No. R88134), Medical Department, Army of the United States. October 1944 to January 1945.

Technical Sergeant *Howard J. Brice* (Army Serial No. 19114429) (then technician fourth grade), Signal Corps, Army of the United States. 13 May to 25 July 1943.

Lieutenant Colonel *Albert P. Clark, Jr.*, O20218, Air Corps, United States Army. April 1944 to May 1945.

*Marcello Costa*, Italian civilian. 9 September 1943 to 20 October 1944.

First Lieutenant *Hugh C. DeLury*, O1283038, Infantry, Army of the United States. March 1944 to May 1945.

Captain *Edward B. Erickson*, 16085, United States Naval Reserve. July 1944 to March 1945.

Major *Arthur W. Fonseca*, O921137 (then captain), Signal Corps, Army of the United States. August 1944 to March 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *Eads G. Hardaway*, O20855, Infantry, United States Army. September 1944 to May 1945.

Technical Sergeant *Edward J. Larson* (Army serial No. 6566923) (then staff sergeant), Quartermaster Corps, Army of the United States. 30 April 1942.

Corporal *Norman J. Lev* (Army serial No. 36016591) (then private first class), Medical Department, Army of the United States. October 1944 to January 1945.

Staff Sergeant *Clair L. Mackie* (Army serial No. 39381189) (then private), Signal Corps, Army of the United States. June 1942 to August 1943.

Colonel *Einar A. Malmstrom*, O287409, Air Corps, Army of the United States. May 1944 to May 1945.

Major *Cyrus E. Manierre*, O24774, Infantry, United States Army. August 1944 to May 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *Burton E. McKenzie*, O23289, Air Corps, United States Army. 14 May 1944 to 14 May 1945.

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Technical Sergeant *Francis S. Paules* (Army serial No. 7021998), Air Corps, Army of the United States. January and February 1945.

Colonel *Jean Louis Petit*, French Army. 20 September 1944 to 13 February 1945.

Private First Class *Charles E. Phillips* (Army serial No. 39381919) (then private), Signal Corps, Army of the United States. June 1942 to August 1943.

Private *Francis J. Sboril* (Army serial No. 32960004), Medical Department, Army of the United States. September 1944 to April 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *Robert M. Stillman*, O19760, Air Corps, United States Army. April 1944 to April 1945.

Major *Robert K. Whitely*, O268924 (then captain), Medical Department, Army of the United States. October 1944 to January 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *Doyle R. Yardley*, O356190, Infantry, Army of the United States. May 1944 to January 1945.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States was awarded by the War Department to the following-named officers, warrant officer, and enlisted man, who while held prisoners of Germany at great personal risk performed duties which resulted in valuable information reaching the War Department. Their services were also of vital importance to their fellow prisoners of war.

Warrant Officer *Carl F. Coffey* (W2109820), Army of the United States.

First Lieutenant *Ray L. Goad*, O415776, Infantry, Army of the United States.

Captain *Frederick K. Hughes*, O24471, Cavalry, United States Army.

Second Lieutenant *William B. Korber*, O668251, Air Corps, Army of the United States.

Corporal *Alton A. Lentz* (Army serial No. 20809493), Infantry, Army of the United States.

First Lieutenant *James W. McKay, Jr.*, O1292382, Infantry, Army of the United States.

Captain *Randolph Robinson*, O270325, Field Artillery, Army of the United States.

First Lieutenant *Francis V. Roy, Jr.*, O374643, Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States.

Captain *Donald B. Stewart*, O23028, Medical Corps, United States Army.

Lieutenant Colonel *John K. Waters*, O18481, Cavalry, United States Army.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States was awarded by the War Department to the following-named enlisted men who while serving in the 453d Ordnance Company volunteered to act as members of the armed guard of a ship which was dispatched on a vital and hazardous mission. They remained on this duty for 41 days while their ship traversed areas in which the enemy had control of the sea and air. Their conduct aided materially in the successful completion of an important mission.

Sergeant *James E. Elliott*, (Army serial No. 19022325) (then private first class), Air Corps, 1617th Ordnance Supply and Maintenance Company Aviation, Army of the United States.

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Technical Sergeant *John J. Fletcher* (Army serial No. 6686476), 22d Bombardment Group (M), Army of the United States.

Sergeant *Grant A. Hasley* (Army serial No. 17001899), (then corporal), 1617th Ordnance Supply and Maintenance Company, Aviation, Army of the United States.

Corporal *George G. Pearson* (Army serial No. 19011499) (then private first class), Air Corps, Army of the United States.

Corporal *Daniel R. Porter* (Army serial No. 19014824) (then private first class), 1537th Ordnance Supply and Maintenance Company, Aviation, 479th Service Squadron, Army of the United States.

4. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States was awarded by the War Department to the following-named officers and enlisted man:

Chaplain (lieutenant colonel) *John K. Borneman*, O266084 (then major), Chaplain Corps, Army of the United States, at Corregidor, Philippine Islands, on 2 January 1942 voluntarily and at the risk of his own life left shelter during a heavy enemy bombardment to go to the assistance of men who had been buried by a direct hit on a command post. He remained at the scene 6 hours under additional bombing and the hazards of exploding ammunition in a nearby dump. He assisted in the rescue of two men, and when it had been determined that further efforts would be in vain he read funeral services and marked the graves of two more soldiers entombed in the command post before returning to safety. Chaplain *Borneman's* heroism was a source of inspiration for all those about him.

First Lieutenant *Harold G. Hammer*, O817018 (then second lieutenant), Air Corps, Army of the United States, as pilot of a fighter airplane, was taken prisoner by the Germans when his aircraft was shot down and he was wounded in the leg on 10 June 1944. He remained a prisoner until about a week later when he was put on a train with another American prisoner under guard of a German officer and two enlisted men. Displaying rare courage, the two prisoners overpowered the Germans and jumped from the window of the moving train. Traveling through enemy-held territory and evading recapture for 2½ months, he finally succeeded in passing through the enemy lines to safety. The determination and courage displayed by Lieutenant *Hammer* reflect credit on himself and the armed forces.

Second Lieutenant *Mary L. Hawkins*, N737974, Army Nurse Corps, Army of the United States, as flight nurse in charge of patients of a crashed evacuation airplane on Bellona Island, Solomons Group, on 26 September 1944 displayed unusual courage in rendering prompt and efficient first-aid treatment to an injured passenger immediately after the accident. Examination of patients extricated with her from the wreckage disclosed that a wounded Marine Corps enlisted man had suffered throat injuries in the crash and was threatened with death by asphyxiation. Although badly shaken by the crash, Lieutenant *Hawkins* performed an emergency operation, enabling the patient to breathe and thereby saving his life. Lieutenant *Hawkins'* immediate performance of technically difficult acts despite the stress incident to the crash landing of the airplane is an example of steadfast courage which reflects great credit on herself and the Army Nurse Corps.

Captain *Chester F. Kingsman*, O738930, Air Corps, Army of the United States, evaded capture for 18 weeks after the aircraft in which he was bombardier was

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shot down on 25 April 1944 over enemy-held Italian territory. Despite injuries he attempted to return to the Allied lines but was thwarted by enemy activity. He suffered minor wounds while engaging in partisan activities and was captured by the Germans on 5 August 1944. One day later he escaped and successfully evaded recapture until 23 September 1944 when he was rescued by advancing Allied troops. While managing to survive in an area controlled by hostile forces, Captain *Kingsman* displayed great courage, initiative, and fortitude.

Technical Sergeant *William A. Madunich* (Army serial No. 16047945), Air Corps, Army of the United States, was taken prisoner by the Italian Army on 18 July 1943 when forced to bail out of a crippled airplane. He remained in Italian prisoner of war camps until 14 September when he escaped and evaded recapture until 1 February 1944. On the night of 1 March, with 400 other prisoners, he was loaded aboard a train of box cars for a rail journey to the north. Although several others were shot for attempting to escape from the moving train, Sergeant *Madunich* succeeded in leaving it and worked his way south on foot, evading capture for another 14 weeks before finding the Allied forces. In escaping from the enemy Sergeant *Madunich* displayed great bravery and fortitude.

VII. BATTLE HONORS.—As authorized by Executive Order 9396 (sec. I, WD Bul. 22, 1943), superseding Executive Order 9075 (sec. III, WD, Bul. 11, 1942), citation of the following units in General Orders 8, Headquarters Twentieth Air Force, 15 June 1945, as approved by the Commanding General, Twentieth Air Force are confirmed under the provisions of section IV, WD Circular 333, 1943, in the name of the President of the United States as public evidence of deserved honor and distinction. The citations read as follows:

The *40th Bombardment Group (VH)*, *XX Bomber Command*, is cited for outstanding performance of duty in armed conflict with the enemy on 20 August 1944. The group dispatched \* \* \* B-29 type aircraft to its forward bases, losing one airplane with its entire crew in this preliminary movement. All other aircraft of the *40th Bombardment Group (VH)* were airborne on D-day as a part of the *XX Bomber Command*. Proceeding to the target which was over 1,500 statute miles away, two more airplanes were reported missing with their entire crews. Fighter opposition was successfully overcome on the way to the target. The remaining aircraft, despite a steady hail of intense and accurate flak concentrations over the target, and despite continuous enemy fighter attacks which were warded off by accurate and determined fire of .50 caliber machine guns and 20-mm cannon, succeeded in destroying the Imperial Iron and Steel Works at Yawata on the Jap mainland. In the accomplishment of its primary mission, eight enemy aircraft were damaged or destroyed. On the return to the forward area another aircraft, damaged over the target, was lost. The success of its part of this mission by the *40th Bombardment Group (VH)* was especially outstanding in that the method of attack used called for the utmost in daring and skill. The first daylight raid over the Japanese home islands since the historic raid of Tokyo in April 1942 proved the real effectiveness of daylight precision bombing by B-29's. The hazards of mechanical failure, fighter opposition, flak, and barrage balloons on the mission of over 3,000 miles were all overcome by the valor and high professional ability of all members of the *40th Bombardment Group (VH)*, *XX Bomber Command*, and by their courage, cooperative spirit, and tireless energy the individuals of this group have reflected great credit on themselves and the Army Air Forces.

The *444th Bombardment Group (VH)*, *XX Bomber Command*, is cited for outstanding performance of duty in armed conflict with the enemy on 20 August

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1944. The group dispatched \* \* \* B-29 type aircraft to its forward bases and all aircraft were airborne on D-day as a part of the *XX Bomber Command*. Fighter opposition was successfully overcome on the way to the target. Despite a steady hail of intense and accurate flak concentrations which accounted for damage to three aircraft, causing them to crash on the return run to their forward base, and despite continuous enemy fighter attacks employing suicide-ramming tactics, the *444th Bombardment Group (VH)* succeeded in destroying the Imperial Iron and Steel Works at Pawata on the Jap mainland. In the accomplishment of its primary mission, five enemy aircraft were damaged or destroyed. The success of its part of the mission by the *444th Bombardment Group (VH)* was especially outstanding in that the method of attack used called for the utmost daring and skill. The first daylight raid over the Japanese home islands since the historic raid of Tokyo in April 1942 proved the real effectiveness of daylight precision bombing by B-29's. The hazards of mechanical failure, fighter opposition, flak, and barrage balloons on the mission of over 3,000 miles were all overcome by the valor and high professional ability of all members of the *444th Bombardment Group (VH)*, *XX Bomber Command*, and by their courage, cooperative spirit, and tireless energy the individuals of this group have reflected great credit on themselves and the Army Air forces.

The *462d Bombardment Group (VH)*, *XX Bomber Command*, is cited for outstanding performance of duty in armed conflict with the enemy on 20 August 1944. The group dispatched \* \* \* B-29 type aircraft to its forward bases to be disposed in two groups on D-day as part of the *XX Bomber Command* mission. One-half of the group carried out a special night attack following the all-out *XX Bomber Command* daylight precision attack. Fighter opposition was successfully overcome on the way to the target. Despite a steady hail of intense and accurate flak concentrations which accounted for damage to two aircraft, causing them to crash on the return run to their forward bases, and despite continuous enemy fighter attacks employing suicide-ramming tactics, the *462d Bombardment Group (VH)* succeeded in destroying the Imperial Iron and Steel Works at Yawata on the Jap mainland. In the accomplishment of its primary mission, six enemy aircraft were damaged or destroyed. The success of its part of the mission by the *462d Bombardment Group (VH)* was especially outstanding in that the method of attack used called for the utmost in daring and skill. The first daylight raid over the Japanese home islands since the historic raid of Tokyo in April 1942 proved the real effectiveness of daylight precision bombing by B-29's. The hazards of mechanical failure, fighter opposition, flak, and barrage balloons on the mission of over 3,000 miles were all overcome by the valor and high professional ability of all members of the *462d Bombardment Group (VH)*, *XX Bomber Command*, and by their courage, cooperative spirit, and tireless energy the individuals of this group have reflected great credit on themselves and the Army Air Forces.

The *468th Bombardment Group (VH)*, *XX Bomber Command*, is cited for outstanding performance of duty in armed conflict with the enemy on 20 August 1944. The group dispatched \* \* \* B-29 type aircraft to its forward bases and all aircraft were airborne on D-day as a part of the *XX Bomber Command*. Fighter opposition was successfully overcome on the way to the target. Despite a steady hail of intense and accurate flak concentrations which accounted for the destruction of one airplane and damage to a second, causing it to crash on the return to the mainland of China, and despite continuous enemy fighter attacks employing suicide-ramming tactics which accounted for the destruction of two or more of their aircraft, the *468th Bombardment Group (VH)* succeeded in destroying

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the Imperial Iron and Steel Works at Yawata on the Jap mainland. In the accomplishment of its primary mission, 15 enemy aircraft were damaged or destroyed. The success of its part of the mission by the *468th Bombardment Group (VH)* was especially outstanding in that the method of attack used called for the utmost in daring and skill. The first daylight raid over the Japanese home islands since the historic raid of Tokyo in April 1942 proved the real effectiveness of daylight precision bombing by B-29's. The hazards of mechanical failure, fighter opposition, flak, and barrage balloons on the mission of over 3,000 miles were all overcome by the valor and high professional ability of all members of the *468th Bombardment Group (VH)*, *XX Bomber Command*, and by their courage, cooperative spirit, and tireless energy the individuals of this group have reflected great credit on themselves and the Army Air Forces.

VIII. AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).—So much of section XII, WD General Orders 47, 1945, as pertains to Staff Sergeant *Salvatore R. Ferrucci*, Air Corps, as reads "Air Medal was awarded" is amended to read "bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster was awarded."

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

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THE  
**PRESIDENT**  
OF  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



To all who shall see these presents, greeting:  
Know Ye, that reposing special trust and confidence in the patriotism, valor, fidelity  
and abilities of Audie Leon Murphy  
I do appoint him First Lieutenant, Infantry in the

**Army of the United States**

such appointment to date from the twenty-first day of August  
nineteen hundred and forty-five. He is therefore carefully and diligently to  
discharge the duty of the office to which he is appointed by doing and performing all  
manner of things thereunto belonging.

He will enter upon active duty under this commission, only when specifically  
ordered to such active duty by competent authority.

And I do strictly charge and require all Officers and Soldiers under his command  
when he shall be employed on active duty, to be obedient to his orders as an officer of his  
grade and position. And he is to observe and follow such orders and directions from time  
to time, as he shall receive from me, or the future President of the United States of  
America, or the General or other Superior Officers set over him, according to the rules  
and discipline of War.

This Commission evidences an appointment in the Army of the United States, under  
the provisions of section 37, National Defense Act, as amended, and is to continue in  
force for a period of five years from the date above specified, and during the pleasure  
of the President of the United States, for the time being.

Done at the City of Washington, this sixth day of September  
in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-five, and of the  
Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventieth.

By the President:

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Officers Branch

F. E. Golembieski

Adjutant General.

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# OATH OF OFFICE

## MILITARY PERSONNEL

Use W. D., A. G. O. Forms Nos. 0337-NG and 0337-NG-1 for oath of office of commissioned and warrant officers, National Guard of the United States; oath of enlistment on W. D., A. G. O. Form No. 22 (Enlistment Record) for enlisted men; and oath prescribed for cadets United States Military Academy (Engagement

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(Indicate type of commission or appointment by placing X in proper block)

OFFICER, REGULAR ARMY		FLIGHT OFFICER	
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OFFICERS' RESERVE CORPS	X	NURSE, ARMY OF THE U. S.	
OFFICER, W. A. C.		DIETITIAN, ARMY OF THE U. S.	
WARRANT OFFICER		PHYSICAL THERAPIST, ARMY OF THE U. S.	

I, AUDIE LEON MURPHY 0-1 692 509  
(First name) (Middle name) (Last name) (Serial number)

having been appointed a 1st Lt, Army of the United States, do solemnly swear  
(Grade)  
 (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign or domestic, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter; **SO HELP ME GOD.**

*Audie L. Murphy*  
 AUDIE L. MURPHY, (Signature) 1st Lt., Infantry  
(Grade and organization or arm or service)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, at Separation Center, Ft Sam Houston, Texas

this 21st day of August, 1945 *Eldon A. Pruett*  
(Signature, with grade, organization, and office, of official administering oath)  
 ELDON A. PRUETT, Major, INFANTRY

(Note.—Do not fill in the remainder of this form unless you were ordered to report for active duty on the same day that your oath of office was administered.)

### REPORT OF ENTRY ON ACTIVE DUTY

(Not to be submitted on this form if oath of office space is blank)

TO: THE ADJUTANT GENERAL, Washington 25, D. C.

Authority: Par. \_\_\_\_\_, S. O. \_\_\_\_\_, Hq., \_\_\_\_\_

The officer named in the above oath of office entered upon active duty \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date actually entered upon active duty)

#### IMPORTANT

*Memorandum for officer.*—If ordered to active duty at your first station on the same day that your oath of office was administered, present this form to the adjutant or other officer to whom you report. If you were a warrant officer, or enlisted man of the Regular Army,

discharged to accept commission, please attach separate statement showing permanent nonmilitary home address (this is desired to protect your mileage and other rights upon relief from active duty).

*Memorandum for commanding officer.*—If the officer was ordered to active duty by other than War Department order, attach a copy or extract copy of the order.

Noted \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date) (Station)

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(Signature of adjutant or organization commander)

*For adjutant or organization commander.*—Execute this form and mail it to The Adjutant General (Appointment and Induction Branch), Washington 25, D. C., on

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Typewriter will be used, if available.

FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE

1. Whenever any person is elected or appointed to an office of honor or trust under the Gov-  
ernment of the United States, he is required before entering upon the duties of his office, to take and  
subscribe the oath prescribed by section 1757, Revised Statutes.

2. Public Law 746, 77th Congress (sec. 1, Bul. 52, W. D., 1942), eliminates the necessity of  
executing oath on promotion of officers.

3. Oaths of office of Army officers, officers of Women's Army Corps, nurses, warrant officers,  
flight officers, dietitians, and physical therapy aides should be taken before some civil officer who is  
authorized by the laws of the United States or by the local municipal law to administer oaths, or  
before an officer of any component of the Army of the United States on active duty in Federal serv-  
ice commissioned in or assigned or detailed to duty with the Judge Advocate General's Department,  
a staff judge advocate or acting staff judge advocate, the president of a general or special court  
martial, a summary court martial, the trial judge advocate, or any assistant trial judge advocate of  
a general or special court martial, the president or the recorder of a court of inquiry or of a military  
board, any officer designated to take a deposition, any officer detailed to conduct an investigation, or  
the adjutant, assistant adjutant (including a warrant officer when so serving), or personnel adju-  
tant of a command. Officers of the Army other than those specified are not authorized by law to  
administer such oaths.

4. If the oath is administered by an Army officer, his authority to administer oaths under the  
preceding paragraph must be shown. If administered by a civil official, the oath must bear the  
official seal of the person administering the oath, or if he does not use a seal, his official capacity  
to administer oaths must be certified to under seal by a clerk of court or other proper local official.

5. Immediately on receipt of a commission or notification of appointment the appointee will, in  
case of acceptance of the commission or appointment, return to The Adjutant General the oath of  
office on this form properly filled in, subscribed, and attested. In case of nonacceptance, the com-  
mission or notification of appointment will be returned to The Adjutant General by a letter indicat-  
ing the fact of nonacceptance.

16-36799-1

The officer named in the above oath of office entered upon active duty

(Date actually entered upon active duty)

IMPORTANT

discharged to accept commission, please attach separate  
statement showing permanent home address  
(this is desired to protect your military and other rights  
upon relief from active duty).

Memorandum for officer.—If ordered to active duty  
at your first station on the same day that your oath of  
office was administered, present this form to the adju-  
tant or other officer to whom you report. If you were  
a warrant officer, or enlisted man of the Regular Army,

Noted \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date) (Station)

Memorandum for commanding officer.—If the officer  
was ordered to active duty by other than War Depart-  
ment order, attach a copy or extract copy of the order.

(Signature of adjutant or organization commander)

the day the officer reports for duty. It is essential that  
this information reach the War Department as soon as  
possible.

By adjutant or organization commander.—Execute  
this form and mail it to The Adjutant General (Appoin-  
ment and Induction Branch), Washington 25, D. C., on

(See instructions for filling out Oath of Office on back of form)

WD AGO Form 71  
1 MAY 1944

WAR DEPARTMENT

PAY AND ALLOWANCE ACCOUNT

(Commissioned Officers, Army Nurses, Warrant Officers, Contract Surgeons)

PAID BY  
CARLOS DE LINA  
Captain, FD,  
Ft. Sam Houston, Tex  
Symbol 212-158  
Station No 4312  
29 SEP 1945  
(For use of paying office)

APPROPRIATIONS:

PAY OF THE ARMY, 19  
212/60425 601-60 P 411-01 S 99-999 \$179.20  
212/60425 601-60 P 425-01 S 99-999 \$100.00

(1) THE UNITED STATES, Dr.,

To: Audie L. Murphy 1st Lt. INF 0-1 692 509  
WDPC (Name of payee) Sam Houston, Texas (Rank and organization) 4312 (Serial No.)

(2) Station On duty at present station per Par. 18, S. O. No. 228, Hdqrs. WDPC FSHT 21 August, 1945.  
Departed from 1945 Reported for duty at SC WDPC FSH T 19

DEPENDENTS:

(3) Lawful wife None (State her Christian or given name in full and husband's surname and her address each month)

Unmarried children under 21 years of age

(State names, ages and addresses each month. Evidence of dependency attached hereto or filed with voucher No. 19, accounts of)

(4) Dependent mother (State her Christian or given name in full and husband's surname and her address each month)

During the current period for which allowances are claimed on account of my dependent mother I have contributed to her support the sum of \$, in cash or its equivalent, without any consideration in return, which contribution is her chief support, and each and every statement set forth in her affidavit dated 19 (attached hereto), filed with voucher for the month of 19, is true and correct, and so remains at this time, except

(State fully changes occurring between date of last affidavit and signing of this voucher)

(5) For over 3 years' service; 2 pay period; 3 years completed on 29 June 1945

CREDITS:

(6) For base and longevity pay from 1 September, 1945, to 21 September, 1945 \$ 129.50

(7) For additional pay for MOP \$300.00 from 19, to 19, 100.00  
Initial installment this voucher \$100.00

(8) For pay for mount, from 19, to 19, of which I was the actual and exclusive owner, which (was or were) suitable for the military service, and maintained at

(9) For subsistence allowance from 1 September, 1945, to 21 September, 1945 14.70

(10) For rental allowance from 1 September, 1945, to 21 September, 1945, during which period I was not assigned adequate quarters at my permanent station; if without dependents, I was not on field or sea duty; if with dependents, I did not occupy with them any public quarters assigned to me without charge at any station, nor did any of them occupy public quarters assigned to them or to any other officer or his dependents, except for bona fide social visits or received a monetary allowance in lieu thereof 42.00

TOTAL CREDITS \$ 279.20

DEBITS:

(11) Class "D" Government Insurance Premium \$

(12) Class "E" Allotment

(13) Class "N" National Service Life Insurance

(14) Due United States for

TOTAL DEBITS

NET BALANCE \$ 279.20

(15) On terminal (ordinary or sick) leave or absence; Departed 22 August, 1945, under Par. 5, S. O. No. 233, Hdqrs. ASF WDPC, 21 August, 1945; extended by Par. S. O. No., Hdqrs., 19; Returned expires 21 September, 1945.

(16) I certify that the foregoing statement and account are true and correct; that payment therefor has not been received; and that payment to me as stated on the within pay voucher is not prohibited by any provisions of law limiting the availability of the appropriation(s) involved. Payee:

Place to my credit with Box 251 (SIGN ORIGINAL ONLY) Name Audie L. Murphy  
Farmersville, Texas Rank 1st Lt. INF  
Date 21 September, 1945

(17) I certify that during the period for which rental allowance is claimed on this voucher the above officer was not assigned adequate quarters at his permanent station.

(SIGN ORIGINAL ONLY. ON MEMORANDUM, TYPE OR PRINT NAME AND RANK) Name Rank  
Date 21 September 45 See AR 35-4220 Commanding Officer.

(18) Paid by { Check(s) No.(s) 67322, dated 29 SEP 1945, for \$ 279.20 (SIGN ORIGINAL ONLY) Payee  
{ Cash, \$, on 19, above.



WD PERSONNEL CENTER  
SEPARATION CENTER  
FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS

In Reply  
Refer TO

SUBJECT: Appointment under Section 37,  
National Defense Act, as amended

Date 21 August 1945

TO: AUDIE LEON MURPHY  
1st Lt., Infantry

A 1st Lt., Infantry

B O-1 692 509

1. The Secretary of War has directed me to inform you that by direction of the President, you are appointed in the Army of the United States Officers' Reserve Corps, effective this date, in the grade and section shown after A above. Your serial number is shown after B above.

2. You will not perform the duties of an officer under this appointment until specifically called to active duty by competent orders.

3. There is inclosed herewith a form for oath of office, which you are requested to execute and return promptly to the agency from which it was received by you. The execution and return of the required oath of office constitute an acceptance of your appointment. No other evidence of acceptance is required. Upon receipt in the War Department of the oath of office, properly executed, a commission evidencing your appointment will be sent to you.

4. Prompt action is requested since the regulations require cancellation of the appointment if a reply is not received within a reasonable time.

5. Whenever your permanent address is changed, it is important that you notify all concerned, using the inclosed Personal Report form.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL FOX:

Inclosures:  
Form for oath of office  
Personal Report form

C. F. ARNOLD  
Major, AUS  
Officer in Charge  
Separation Center

# APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT AND STATEMENT OF PREFERENCES FOR RESERVE OFFICERS

(See Instructions on Reverse Side)

TO: The Adjutant General, Washington, D. C. DATE: 21 August 1945

FROM: (Last name—First name—Middle name) **MURPHY, AUDIE LEON** ARMY SERIAL NO. **0-1 692 509** APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT IN OFFICER'S RESERVE CORPS

FOR GRADE OF **1st Lt.** SECTION **Infantry**

I CERTIFY THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, IN CONNECTION WITH MY APPLICATION, TO BE CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

1. PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS (Number, street, city, county and State)  
**Farmersville, Texas**

2. DATE OF BIRTH (Day, month and year) **20 June 1924** 3. PLACE OF BIRTH (City, State and country) **Kingston, Texas**

4. MARITAL STATUS (Check one)  
 SINGLE  MARRIED  SEPARATED  DIVORCED  WIDOWED

5. DEPENDENTS (Number completely dependent on you other than wife) **- None -** 6. RACE  WHITE  NEGRO  INDIAN  
 OTHER (Specify)

7. ARE YOU A CITIZEN OF THE U. S.? IF SO, DID YOU BECOME A CITIZEN BY BIRTH OR NATURALIZATION? **Citizen by Birth** 8. IF YOU ARE A U. S. CITIZEN BY OWN NATURALIZATION, STATE DATE, NUMBER OF CERTIFICATE AND COURT. **-----**

9. NAME OF FATHER (Last, first, and middle initial) **Murphy, Emmeth (nmi)** 10. ADDRESS **(Deceased)**

11. COUNTRY OF BIRTH **- USA -** 12. IF NATURALIZED U. S. CITIZEN, GIVE DATE, COURT, CITY AND STATE **-----**

13. NAME OF MOTHER (Last, first, and middle initial) **Murphy, Josie (nmi)** 14. ADDRESS **(Deceased)**

15. COUNTRY OF BIRTH **- USA -** 16. IF NATURALIZED U. S. CITIZEN, GIVE DATE, COURT, CITY AND STATE **-----**

17. PERSON TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY (Last name—First name—Middle initial) **Burns, Corinne** 18. RELATIONSHIP **Sister**

19. ADDRESS **Farmersville, Texas**

20. EDUCATION (Includes Military Service Schools)

CIRCLE HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED, ELEMENTARY OR HIGH SCHOOLS												DID YOU GRADUATE?	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	(9)	10	11	12	YES	NO
--HIO--												<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		SCHOOL (Name of Institution)			YEARS ATTENDED			IF A GRADUATE STATE YEAR		DEGREES		SUBJECT MAJORED IN	
COLLEGE													
POSTGRADUATE													
MILITARY SERVICE SCHOOLS													

21. OTHER SUBJECTS SPECIALIZED IN

22. FOREIGN LANGUAGES (Check proficiency)

LANGUAGE (Specify)	READ			WRITE			SPEAK			UNDERSTAND			
	EXC.	GOOD	FAIR	EXC.	GOOD	FAIR	EXC.	GOOD	FAIR	EXC.	GOOD	FAIR	

(FOR USE OF WAR DEPARTMENT ONLY)

SOURCE **F. AUS Off.** GRADE **1st Lt.** SECTION **Inf-Res**

DATE OF APPOINTMENT DATE OF ACCEPTANCE

DAY <b>21</b>	MONTH <b>Aug</b>	YEAR <b>45</b>	DAY <b>21</b>	MONTH <b>Aug</b>	YEAR <b>45</b>
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23. CHRONOLOGICAL STATEMENT OF SERVICE AND TRAINING IN THE ARMY, NAVY, MARINE CORPS, UNITED STATES MILITARY OR NAVAL ACADEMY, NATIONAL GUARD, OFFICERS' RESERVE CORPS, UNITED STATES NAVAL RESERVE, MARINE CORPS RESERVE, COAST GUARD RESERVE, ENLISTED RESERVE CORPS, NAVAL MILITIA, NATIONAL NAVAL VOLUNTEERS, CITIZENS' MILITARY TRAINING CAMPS, OR RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS.

DATES		HIGHEST GRADE	ORGANIZATION (Include arm or service)	DUTY	ACTIVE OR INACTIVE
FROM	TO				
30Jun42	14Oct44	S/Sgt.	15th Inf. 3rd Division	Plt. Ldr.	Active
15Oct44	15Feb45	2d Lt.	Co. 'G'. 15th Inf. 3rd Div.	Plt. Ldr.	Active
16Feb45	Date	1st Lt.	Co. 'G'. 15th Inf. 3rd Div.	Plt. Ldr.	Active

24. IF A FORMER WARRANT OFFICER OR ENLISTED MAN OR BOTH, INDICATE SERIAL NUMBERS

25. WERE ALL DISCHARGES GRANTED UNDER HONORABLE CONDITIONS?

YES  NO

26. WERE YOU EVER REJECTED FOR ANY BRANCH OF MILITARY SERVICE?

YES  NO

27. EVER REJECTED FOR ROTC?

YES  NO

28. EVER REJECTED FOR CMTC?

YES  NO

29. IF "YES" TO 26, 27, OR 28, STATE WHEN AND WHERE REJECTED AND CAUSE

30. CAMPAIGNS AND BATTLES PARTICIPATED IN (Give dates)

\*Southern France. \*Rhineland. \*Tunisia. \*Sicily. \*Naples-Foggia. \*Rome-Arno.  
\*Central Europe.

31. THEATERS OF OPERATIONS IN WHICH SERVED (World War II only)

--ETO--

32. DECORATIONS AND CITATIONS RECEIVED

\*Congressional Medal of Honor. Legion of Merit.  
Silver Star w/1 Oak Leaf Cluster. Combat Infantrymen's Badge. Bronze Star Medal.  
Purple Heart w/2 Oak Leaf Clusters. Distinguished Unit Citation. Distinguished Service Cross. EAME Theatre Campaign Medal w/7 Bronze Stars. Croix De Guerre

33. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CONVICTED BY A CIVIL OR MILITARY COURT? (If so, give the date and circumstances)

YES  NO

34. REMARKS

SIGNATURE (First, middle, and last names)

Audie Leon Murphy

PRINTED OR TYPED NAME (First, middle, and last names)

AUDIE LEON MURPHY

#### INSTRUCTIONS

- Fill out on typewriter, if practicable; if not, print proper names and write clearly. This form must be executed *in triplicate* and forwarded to The Adjutant General. *Each copy must be signed.*
- Applications will be accompanied by a Report of Physical Examination (WD AGO Form 63), which may be obtained from any military post or station. Physical examination should preferably be by a medical officer of the Regular Army, Officers' Reserve Corps, National Guard, or Public Health Service. If applicant so desires, the examination may be made by a reputable private physician.
- If the applicant is in the military service, application will be forwarded through channels.
- Under "Remarks" make appropriate explanation, when other allotted spaces are insufficient.
- Under "Chronological Statement of Service," state duty specifically, as "regimental adjutant," "company commander," etc., *not* in general terms, as "regimental duty," "staff duty," etc.
- Blank boxes on the right side of sheet are for War Department use only.

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
HEADQUARTERS, WAR DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL CENTER

SPECIAL ORDER  
NO. - 233

Fort Sam Houston, Texas  
21 August 1945

E X T R A C T

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5. 1ST LT AUDIE L MURPHY, O1 692 509, INF, is granted twenty eight (28) days terminal lv, eff 22 August 1945 and WP fr Fort Sam Houston, Tex to his home, Farmersville, Texas, so as to arrive thereat not later than 21 September 1945, on which date he is reld fr atchd unasgd Separation Center, this Headquarters, and fr further AD, and will revert to inactive status. 1ST LT MURPHY's temp apmt in the AUS will continue in force during the period of the present emergency and for six months thereafter unless sooner terminated DP. Relief fr AD is not by reason of physical disability. 1ST LT MURPHY is entitled to WD AGO Form 53-98 which will be completed prior to Officer's departure on terminal lv, and distributed at expiration thereof, as required in Cir 472, WD, 16 Dec 44.

PCS. TDN. TPA. 601-32 P 431-02-03-07 A 212/60425 S 99-999.

Mailing Address: Box 251, Farmersville, Texas.

Auth: DP, RR 1-5; Par 18, SO 228, ASF AG & SF RS Ft Sam Houston, Tex dd 21 August 1945.

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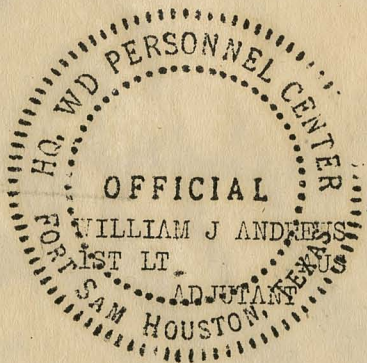
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BY ORDER OF BRIGADIER GENERAL FOX:

WILLIAM J ANDREWS  
1ST LT AUS  
ADJUTANT

OFFICIAL:



Distribution:

8 - Officer	2 - Locator
2 - TAG (SPXPO-S)	1 - Exam Sta
2 - TAG (SPXPO-R)	2 - M/R
2 - TAG (SPXPO-AC)	2 - Post office
6 - FO SC WDPC FSHT	1 - SO file
2 - CG 8 SvC	2 - 201 file
2 - Surg Gen	
2 - CG AGF (INF)	

*Review file*

e. Audie L. Murphy, 18 083 707

MD Forms 52b dtd 13 March 44; 52C showing recd at 56 Evac Hosp 13 Mar 44; 52d dtd 14 Mar 44, containing abbreviated C/R; 52b dtd 16 Jan 44; 52C showing recd at 106th SH, APO 389 16 Jan 44; 52d dtd 16 Jan 44 containing abbreviated C/R, and 52b dtd 28 July 43.

REQUEST FOR ASSIGNMENT OF A C-NUMBER TO MEDICAL AND SERVICE RECORDS  
RECEIVED DIRECT FROM THE ARMY, NAVY, MARINE CORPS AND COAST GUARD

2289  
VSH

FROM: Waco, Texas  
(Field Station)

C- August 28 19 45  
**5024030**

TO: Chief Clerk,  
Veterans Administration,  
Washington 25, D. C.

Name: MURPHY, Audie L.  
S- 0-1692509  
Rank and Org: 1st Lt. 3rd Inf.  
Ind: 6/30/42  
Dis: 9/21/45  
Born: 6/20/24  
Place of birth: Kingston, Tex.  
Address: Box 251  
Farmersville, Tex.

Attention: Chief, Index Division

C-number assigned on  
form 526 without clinicals

Request for the assignment of a C-number is made under  
Veterans Administration Service Letter of March 30, 1943, May 19,  
1943, or August 19, 1943, regarding adjudication of claims of vet-  
erans discharged by reason of disability.

The forms checked are transmitted herewith. Forms 6604 ( ),  
Form 3101 series ( ).

The following is a list of records received in this office  
from \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
(military & naval hospital-discharge center-etc.) (location)

Number of Records

1. \_\_\_\_\_ physical examination at entrance (Army)  
\_\_\_\_\_ descriptive sheet in health record (NMS Form H-2)  
\_\_\_\_\_ descriptive sheet in health record (CG Form 2525-B)
2. \_\_\_\_\_ clinical records (Army)  
\_\_\_\_\_ copy of medical record (Navy, Marine, Coast Guard)
3. \_\_\_\_\_ copy of C.D.D. (AGO Form 40)  
\_\_\_\_\_ copy of report of Bd. of Medical Survey (NMS Form M)  
\_\_\_\_\_ copy of report of Bd. of Medical Survey (CG)
4. \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Form 526 or waiver of pension
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Character of Discharge

7. Form 63  
9. Form 100-53

The original clinical records are described separately below.  
Name of Hospital Location Register Number Dates of Treatment

Title \_\_\_\_\_

BESS MORGAN  
MAIL & RECORDS CLERK

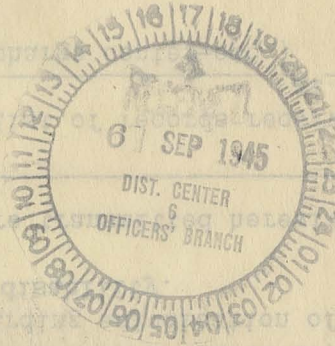
NAME OF PERSONNEL DESIGNATED TO BE TRAINED TO BECOME...  
THE OFFICERS DESIGNATED ARE LISTED IN THE ATTACHED LIST.



DA FORM 100-22  
22 MAR 45

(B-222) (CC FORM 222-B)  
(M-2) (M-2) (M-2)  
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Number of persons



The following are the names of the personnel...

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NAME: [REDACTED]  
GRADE: [REDACTED]  
BRANCH: [REDACTED]  
DATE: [REDACTED]  
OFFICE: [REDACTED]  
ADDRESS: [REDACTED]

2054030

REPRODUCED FROM THE ARMY...  
REPRODUCED FROM THE ARMY...  
REPRODUCED FROM THE ARMY...

**REQUEST FOR ARMY INFORMATION**

FOR USE OF Adjudication (Organization unit) Waco, Texas. (Location of requesting office) August 30, 1945 (Date)

1. Name MURPHY Audie L.  
 (Last) (First) (Middle) C. No. C-5,024,030  
 Converted Ins. No. K-  
 Nat. Ser. Life Ins. No. N-

2. Army serial No. 18,083,707 O-1,692,509

3. Date(s) of entry into active service 6-30-42

4. Date(s) of discharge(s) or release from active service 9-21-45

5. Character of discharge(s) Hon. Demob.

6. Last rank and organization 1st Lt. Co B 15th Inf 3rd Div RFD Date of death 30/0 N. Y. New York.  
 Place of last discharge Ft. Sam Houston, Texas.  
 Home address Box 251, Farmersville, Texas.  
 Place of birth Kingston, Texas. Date of birth 6-20-24 (white)

**Alleged Disease or Injury, Date of Incurrence, Date(s) and Place(s) of Treatment:**

Gun shot wound R. Hip, Shell Frag. R. Heel, L. Heel, R. Ankle, Shell Frag. L. Leg, Malaria.  
26th Evac Hosp., July, 1943; 70th Sta. Hosp. Sept, 1943; 10th Evac. Hosp. Sept. 1944; Clearing Sta. 3rd Medica, Feb. 1945.

By C. C. COLLINS, Adjudication Officer.

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Additional:

See 109 and 3145 attached.

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OR

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MARGIN

1. Murphy, Audie L.
2. Correct
3. Enl. Correct; Com 14 Oct 1944 2nd Lt. Inf-AUS
4. Enl 13 Oct 1944 Disch; Com. (date of relief) Still serving
5. Serving
6. Correct
  - (a) Correct
  - (b) Correct
  - (c) Correct

Orders have been issued relieving officer from active duty effective 21 September 1945.  
No time lost under AW-107.

Complete medical history is furnished for enlisted and commissioned service. Medical cards covering alleged treatment Overseas cannot be located in this office at this time. Attention is invited to attached copy of letter requesting clinical records.

Photo letter has ~~xxx~~ this date been sent requesting clinical records from overseas.

PHOTOSTAT COPIES

- Physical examination at entrance. 10-17-44
- Medical cards.
- Field medical cards.
- Field tags.
- Dental cards.
- AGO form 40 (CDD).
- 1 P/E at Enl Serv

DUPLICATE COPIES

- Medical cards.
- Physical examination.
- AGO form 40 (CDD).
- Other records.

ORIGINALS (LOANED)

- Clinicals.
- Final physical examination. 10-13-44

GMT/DFB/ovi/2434/PO-S  
20 September 1945

Acting/ **EDWARD F. WITSELL**  
MAJOR GENERAL, THE ADJUTANT GENERAL,

By \_\_\_\_\_

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*BDS*





**TAG** TERMINAL LEAVE  
BEGINS 22 AUG 45

**ALLOTMENT DISCONTINUANCE**  
NOTICE UPON DISCHARGE OR RELEASE FROM ACTIVE DUTY

No. B 212-158  
**922666**

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL: MURPHY, AUDIE L., 1ST LT., INF  
DATE OF BIRTH, IF AVAILABLE: 20 JUN 24  
REASON FOR SEPARATION: RELEASED  
DATE OF SEPARATION: 21 SEPT 45  
ARMY SERIAL NUMBER: O-1 692 509

ALLOTMENT	ENTER IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW EACH ALLOWANCE OR ALLOTMENT NOW IN EFFECT			PERMANENT ADDRESS FOR MAILING PURPOSES
	AMOUNT (1)	EFFECTIVE DATE MONTH AND YEAR (First Deduction)	FINAL DEDUCTION MADE FOR MONTH OF	
N	\$ 6.50	UNKNOWN	AUG 45	BOX 251 FARMERSVILLE, TEXAS
D	\$ NONE			
E	\$ 100.00 (1) (2) (3)	NOV 44	AUG 45	
F	\$ NONE			
				FAMILY ALLOWANCE APPLICATION NUMBER, IF IN SERVICE RECORD: X-
				VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NUMBER (No Entry Here): N-
				NAME AND LOCATION OF ORGANIZATION EFFECTING DISCHARGE OR RELEASE:
				ENTER NAMES OF "E" ALLOTTEES, IF IN SERVICE RECORD: (1) CORINNE BURNS, FARMERSVILLE, TEXAS (2) (3)
				TYPED NAME, GRADE, AND TITLE OF PERSONNEL OR DISBURSING OFFICER EFFECTING DISCONTINUANCE (No Signature Necessary): CARLOS DE LIMA, CAPTAIN FD

(Make No Entry Here)

W. D., A. G. O. Form No. 30-S  
1 September 1944  
This form supersedes W. D., A. G. O. Form No. 30-S, 1 July 1944, which may be used until existing stocks are exhausted.  
6 PARTS

To: THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.  
(Folded and inserted in the service record in cases of enlisted personnel)

FALL 4 SEP 1945

(15)

212-158 No. B 922666

ALLOTMENT DISCONTINUANCE NOTICE UPON DISCHARGE OR RELEASE FROM ACTIVE DUTY

MURPHY, AUDIE L., 1ST LT., INF

20 JUN 24 RELEASED 21 SEPT 45 O-1 692 509

ALLOTMENT	ENTER IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW EACH ALLOWANCE OR ALLOTMENT NOW IN EFFECT			PERMANENT ADDRESS FOR MAILING PURPOSES
	AMOUNT (1)	EFFECTIVE DATE MONTH AND YEAR (First Deduction)	FINAL DEDUCTION MADE FOR MONTH OF	
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				VETERANS ADMINISTRATION NUMBER (No Entry Here): N-
				NAME AND LOCATION OF ORGANIZATION EFFECTING DISCHARGE OR RELEASE:
				ENTER NAMES OF "E" ALLOTTEES, IF IN SERVICE RECORD: (1) CORINNE BURNS, FARMERSVILLE, TEXAS (2) (3)
				TYPED NAME, GRADE, AND TITLE OF PERSONNEL OR DISBURSING OFFICER EFFECTING DISCONTINUANCE (No Signature Necessary): CARLOS DE LIMA, CAPTAIN FD

The discontinuance date of class and allotments shown above are as desired by me.

Audie L. Murphy

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

6 PARTS



GMT/ovi/2434



WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

20 September 1945

AGPO-S-201 Murphy, Audie L.  
ASN 18,083,707  
(30 Aug 45)

Subject: Clinical Records for Veterans Administration

TO: The Commanding Officer  
Station Hospital  
Camp Walters, Texas

V. A. Claim No. C-5,024,030  
Facility: Waco, Texas

1. It is desired that ALL clinical records on file at hospital covering treatment of the above-named officer be forwarded DIRECTLY to The Manager, Veterans' Administration, Waco, Texas.

- a. Records will be clearly marked "Loaned to Veterans Administration."
- b. This original letter will accompany the clinical for identification and no transmitting indorsement is required.

2. The records show the following treatment:

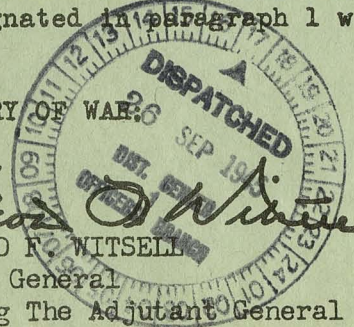
Period of Treatment	Hospital	Register Number
10 July 1942 to 15 July 1942	Your Hospital	17275

3. Any additional clinicals on file relative to this officer will accompany these listed.

4. If no clinical records are on file in your office, the office of the Veterans Administration designated in paragraph 1 will be notified by indorsement hereon.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

*Edward R. Witsell*  
 EDWARD R. WITSELL  
 Major General  
 Acting The Adjutant General



*True  
K. H. B. B. B.  
M. S. D. G. 2130  
20 Sept 45*



ARMY SERVICE FORCES  
HEADQUARTERS WAR DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL CENTER  
Fort Sam Houston, Texas

ENF/ecd

PO-R

201-Murphy, Audie L (0)

21 Sep 45

SUBJECT: Relief of officer from active duty.

TO : The Adjutant General  
Washington 25, D. C.  
ATTENTION: SPXPO-R

In compliance with RR 1-5; Par 18, SO 228, ASF AG & SF RS Ft Sam Houston,  
Tex dd 21 Aug 45. 1st Lt Audie L Murphy, O1692509, INF

has been relieved from active duty per Par 5 SO 233, this Head-  
quarters, dated 21 Aug 45.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

*E. N. Forsyth*

E. N. FORSYTH  
Captain, FA  
Mil Pers Officer

6 Incls:

Incl #1 - Par 5 SO 233, this Hq, cs, dated 21 Aug 45. (in dup)  
Incl #2 - Par 18, SO 228, ASF AG & SF RS Ft Sam Houston, Tex dd 21 Aug 45.

Incl #3 - WD-AGO Form No. 63  
Incl #4 - WD AGO Form No. 66-1  
Incl #5 - WD AGO Form No. 100  
Incl #6 - Field Military 201 File





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201 Murphy, Indie L.

1st Ind.

OWO/lg.

HEADQUARTERS, 1366 SCU Station Medical, Camp Wolters, Texas.  
29 September 1945.

To: ~~Manager, Veterans Administration, Waco, Texas~~

1. Basic communication complied with.
2. Request acknowledgment of receipt by indorsement hereon.

FOR THE SURGEON:

J. A. YOUNG  
Captain, MAC,  
Adjutant.

Incls.

Incl. 1 - Clinical Record No. 17275 .  
Incl. 2 - Clinical Record No. \_\_\_\_\_ .



CA 1113

# ARMY SEPARATION QUALIFICATION RECORD

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <b>MURPHY, AUDIE L.</b>	ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <b>0-1 692 509</b>	GRADE <b>1stLt</b>	DATE OF ENTRY INTO ACTIVE SERVICE <b>14 Oct 44</b>	SEX <b>M</b>	DATE OF BIRTH <b>20 Jun 24</b>
PERMANENT ADDRESS FOR MAILING PURPOSES (Street and Number - City - County - State) <b>P. O. Box 251, Farmersville, Collin County, Texas</b>					

CIVILIAN EDUCATION					
HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED <b>8</b>	LAST YEAR OF ATTENDANCE <b>1939</b>	HIGHEST DEGREE RECEIVED <b>-</b>	MAJOR COURSE OF STUDY <b>Academic</b>	NAME AND ADDRESS OF LAST SCHOOL ATTENDED <b>High School Farmersville, Texas</b>	
OTHER TRAINING OR SCHOOLING					
COURSE <b>NONE</b>	NO. HRS.	COURSE	NO. HRS.	COURSE	NO. HRS.

SERVICE EDUCATION					
SERVICE SCHOOL	COURSE	WKS. OR HRS.	RATING	ARMY SPECIALIZED TRAINING PROGRAM	
<b>NONE</b>				INSTITUTION WHERE ENROLLED	CURRICULUM AND TERM (COURSE OF TRAINING PURSUED)

CIVILIAN OCCUPATIONS					
MAIN OCCUPATION (TITLE) <b>RADIO REPAIRMAN I</b>	SECONDARY OCCUPATION (TITLE)				
JOB SUMMARY Worked in radio shop repairing defective electric and baehvy radios. Also repaired radios away from radio shop. Carried own radio tools and equipment. Demonstrated and sold radios.	JOB SUMMARY NONE				
NO. OF YEARS <b>1</b>	LAST DATE OF EMPLOYMENT <b>Jun 48</b>	NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMPLOYER <b>Bowen Radio Shop Greenville, Texas</b>	NO. OF YEARS 	LAST DATE OF EMPLOYMENT 	NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMPLOYER 

MILITARY SPECIALTIES									
ASSIGNMENTS									
YEARS	MONTHS	GRADE	PRINCIPAL DUTY	ARMY CODE NO.	YEARS	MONTHS	GRADE	PRINCIPAL DUTY	ARMY CODE NO.
-	4	1stLt	Company Commander (Inf)	2900					
-	4	2dLt	Inf. Unit Commander	1542					
-	3	1stLt	Combat Liaison Officer	1930					

SUMMARY OF MILITARY OCCUPATION AND CIVILIAN CONVERSIONS (Shown by title)  
**COMPANY COMMANDER I.** Directly responsible for the supervision of men in actual combat operations; also responsible for the maintenance and the distribution of records; supervised the transportation, supply, and facilities for company.

SUMMARY OF MILITARY OCCUPATION AND CIVILIAN CONVERSIONS (Shown by title)  
**REMARKS:** Served as enlisted man from 30 Jun 42 to 13 Oct 44. Was serving as a Platoon Sergeant in an Infantry company when given direct combat commission. Officer received nothing less than "Excellent" in his Manner of Performance Rating. Served 27 months in the European Theatre of Operations.

DATE OF SEPARATION <b>21 Sep 45</b>	SIGNATURE OF SOLDIER <i>Audie L. Murphy</i>	SIGNATURE OF SEPARATION CLASSIFICATION OFFICER <b>JOHN A. MacVEAGH, JR., Capt., "GD"</b>
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# MILITARY RECORD AND REPORT OF SEPARATION CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

1. LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <b>Murphy Audie L</b>		2. ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <b>0-1 692 509</b>	3. AUS. GRADE <b>1st Lt</b>	4. ARM OR SERVICE <b>INF</b>	5. COMPONENT <b>AUS</b>
6. ORGANIZATION <b>Co B 15th Infantry 3rd Division APO 3 c/o P M New York New York</b>		7. DATE OF RELIEF FROM ACTIVE DUTY <b>21 Sep 45</b>	8. PLACE OF SEPARATION <b>Separation Center Fort Sam Houston Texas</b>		
9. PERMANENT ADDRESS FOR MAILING PURPOSES <b>Box 251 Farmersville Texas</b>			10. DATE OF BIRTH <b>20 Jun 24</b>	11. PLACE OF BIRTH <b>Kingston Texas</b>	
12. ADDRESS FROM WHICH EMPLOYMENT WILL BE SOUGHT <b>Same as Item # 9</b>			13. COLOR EYES <b>Green</b>	14. COLOR HAIR <b>Brown</b>	17. NO. OF DEPENDENTS <b>None</b>
18. RACE WHITE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGRO <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (specify) <input type="checkbox"/>		19. MARITAL STATUS SINGLE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	20. U.S. CITIZEN YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	21. CIVILIAN OCCUPATION AND NO. <b>Farm Hand General 3-16.10</b>	

## MILITARY HISTORY

SELECTIVE SERVICE DATA <input type="checkbox"/>	22. REGISTERED YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	23. LOCAL S. S. BOARD NUMBER <b>---</b>	24. COUNTY AND STATE <b>---</b>	25. HOME ADDRESS AT TIME OF ENTRY ON ACTIVE DUTY <b>Same as Item # 9</b>	
	26. DATE OF ENTRY ON ACTIVE DUTY <b>14 Oct 44</b>		27. MILITARY OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALTY AND NO. <b>Infantry Unit Commander 1542</b>		
28. BATTLES AND CAMPAIGNS <b>Central Europe Southern France Rhineland Tunisia Sicily Naples-Toggia Rome-Arno</b>					
29. DECORATIONS AND CITATIONS <b>Congressional Medal of Honor Distinguished Service Cross Legion of Merit The Silver Star with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster The Bronze Star Medal Purple Heart with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters Distinguished Unit Citation Badge EAME Campaign Medal with</b>					
30. WOUNDS RECEIVED IN ACTION <b>7 Bronze Service Stars Croix de Guerre 15 Jan 45 - 15 Sep 44 - 26 Oct 44 - ETO</b>					
31. SERVICE SCHOOLS ATTENDED <b>None</b>			32. SERVICE OUTSIDE CONTINENTAL U. S. AND RETURN		
			DATE OF DEPARTURE	DESTINATION	DATE OF ARRIVAL
			<b>*14 Oct 44</b>	<b>ETO</b>	<b>*14 Oct 44</b>
			<b>9 Jun 45</b>	<b>USA</b>	<b>10 Jun 45</b>
			<b>* Commissioned in Field (ETO).</b>		
33. REASON AND AUTHORITY FOR SEPARATION <b>Release under provisions of RR 1-5 (Demobilization)</b>					
34. CURRENT TOUR OF ACTIVE DUTY					
CONTINENTAL SERVICE			FOREIGN SERVICE		
YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS	YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS
<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>27</b>
35. EDUCATION (years)					
GRAMMAR SCHOOL		HIGH SCHOOL		COLLEGE	
<b>8</b>		<b>1</b>		<b>0</b>	

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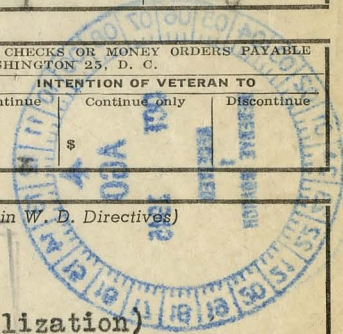
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## INSURANCE NOTICE

**IMPORTANT** IF PREMIUM IS NOT PAID WHEN DUE OR WITHIN THIRTY-ONE DAYS THEREAFTER, INSURANCE WILL LAPSE. MAKE CHECKS OR MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE TO THE TREASURER OF THE U. S. AND FORWARD TO COLLECTIONS SUBDIVISION, VETERANS ADMINISTRATION, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

36. KIND OF INSURANCE Nat. Serv. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> U.S. Govt. <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/>		37. HOW PAID Allotment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Direct to V.A. <input type="checkbox"/>		38. Effective Date of Allotment Discontinuance <b>31 Aug 45</b>	39. Date of Next Premium Due (one month after 38) <b>30 Sep 45</b>	40. PREMIUM DUE EACH MONTH <b>\$ 6.50</b>	41. INTENTION OF VETERAN TO Continue <input type="checkbox"/> Continue only <input type="checkbox"/> Discontinue <input type="checkbox"/>
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RIGHT THUMB PRINT	42.		43. REMARKS (This space for completion of above items or entry of other items specified in W. D. Directives) <b>(1) Lapel Button issued (2) ASR Score (12 May 1945) 146 (3) Release under provisions of RR 1-5 (Demobilization)</b>	
	44. SIGNATURE OF OFFICER BEING SEPARATED <i>Audie L. Murphy</i>		45. PERSONNEL OFFICER (Type name, grade and organization - signature) <i>J. A. [Signature]</i>	



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1 November 1944  
AD 400 Form 23-33

need after receipt of this regulation  
to a Certificate of Service which will not be  
AD 400 Form 23 and 330 for officers entitled  
this form superseded all previous editions of

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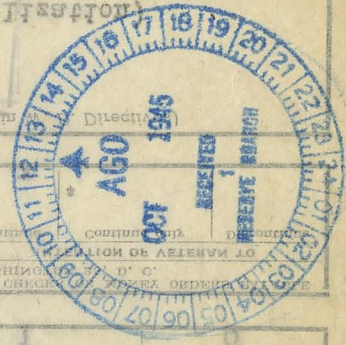
4. ARM OR SERVICE		3. TEMPORARY RANK		Basic Arm or Service Code		Basic Rank		26. ENTRY ON ACTIVE DUTY			9. STATE OF RES.		10. DATE OF BIRTH			5. Comp.	16. Race				
SOURCE		Ech.		7. RELIEF FROM ACTIVE DUTY		DISCHARGE		DAY		MONTH		YEAR		DAY		MONTH		YEAR			
DAY		MO.		YEAR		CAUSE		AREA		Cont. Date		DAY		MO.		YEAR		CAUSE		Cont. Date	
DAY		MO.		YEAR		MO.		YR.		DAY		MO.		YEAR		DAY		MO.		YR.	

(2) Release under provisions of 38 U.S.C. (Departmental)

(3) See notes (TS and T-2)

(1) Report bottom sealed

43. REMARKS (This space for completion of above items or entry of other items described in



38. KIND OF INSURANCE		31. HOW PAID		39. DISCONTINUANCE		38. DISCONTINUANCE		38. DISCONTINUANCE		38. DISCONTINUANCE		38. DISCONTINUANCE		38. DISCONTINUANCE		38. DISCONTINUANCE		38. DISCONTINUANCE		38. DISCONTINUANCE	
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24. CONTINENTAL SERVICE		25. FOREIGN SERVICE		26. EDUCATION (Years)		27. EDUCATION (Years)		28. EDUCATION (Years)		29. EDUCATION (Years)		30. EDUCATION (Years)		31. EDUCATION (Years)		32. EDUCATION (Years)		33. EDUCATION (Years)		34. EDUCATION (Years)	
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23. REASON AND AUTHORITY FOR SEPARATION		24. SERVICE SCHOOLS ATTENDED		25. SERVICE OFFICE CONTINENTAL U.S. AND BELIEVE		26. SERVICE OFFICE CONTINENTAL U.S. AND BELIEVE		27. SERVICE OFFICE CONTINENTAL U.S. AND BELIEVE		28. SERVICE OFFICE CONTINENTAL U.S. AND BELIEVE		29. SERVICE OFFICE CONTINENTAL U.S. AND BELIEVE		30. SERVICE OFFICE CONTINENTAL U.S. AND BELIEVE		31. SERVICE OFFICE CONTINENTAL U.S. AND BELIEVE		32. SERVICE OFFICE CONTINENTAL U.S. AND BELIEVE		33. SERVICE OFFICE CONTINENTAL U.S. AND BELIEVE	
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20. MONTHS RECEIVED IN ACTION		21. RECONVALIDATIONS AND CITATIONS		22. BULLIES AND COMPLAINTS		23. DATE OF ENTRY ON ACTIVE DUTY		24. MILITARY OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALLY AND NO.		25. BOARD NUMBER		26. COUNTY AND STATE		27. HOME ADDRESS AT TIME OF ENTRY ON ACTIVE DUTY	
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17. WHITE		18. NEGRO		19. OTHER (Specify)		20. SINGLE		21. MARRIED		22. OTHER (Specify)		23. YES		24. NO		25. MILITARY OCCUPATION AND NO.	
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15. ADDRESS FROM WHICH EMPLOYMENT WILL BE SOUGHT		16. SERVICE ADDRESS FOR MILITARY EMPLOYER		17. ORGANIZATION		18. DATE OF BIRTH		19. PLACE OF BIRTH		20. DATE OF BIRTH		21. PLACE OF BIRTH		22. DATE OF BIRTH		23. PLACE OF BIRTH	
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MILITARY RECORD AND REPORT OF SEPARATION

Case ID

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25 Oct 46

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WACO TEXAS

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FWD CLINICAL RECORDS THIS OFFICE CASE 1ST LT AUDIE LEON MURPHY  
01692509 AUS ATTN PO DASH S DASH B RM 2E578 PENTAGON WASH 25 DC  
END AGPO DASH S DASH B WITSELL TAG

*Ret to Munis 2E578*  
*Protect BU*  
*25 Oct 46*

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AGPO-S-B-201-Murphy, Audie Leon 25 Oct 46 Adjutant General

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THE ADJUTANT GENERALS OFFICE PENTAGON BLDG

ATTN PA-S-B RM 2E578

REURTWX 1ST LT AUDIE LEON MURPHY SN 01692509 RECORDS THIS  
OFFICE SHOW CLAIMS FILE C-5024030 TRANSFERRED REGIONAL OFFICE  
LOS ANGELES CALIF 6-27-46 YOUR TWX RELAYED FOR ATTENTION AND  
FURTHER REPLY

RUBIN MGR

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REURTWX 1 AUDIE SN 01692509 C-5024030 6-27-46 TWX.

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FROM BOYA CO WDPC FTSAMHOUSTON TEX 3 01620Z

TO THE ADJUTANT GENERAL WASHINGTON 25 DC ATTN AGPO-S-B ROOM 573 PENTAGON *BLDS*

GRNC

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*10/31/92*

REYOURTWX DD 29 OCT 46 RQSTING TERM P/E FIRST LT AUJIE LEON MURPHY

01692509 AUU PD RPT NOT AVAILABLE THIS HQ END AKIWH-S 1283  
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12 Nov 46

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MANAGER, VET ADM  
REGIONAL OFFICE  
LOS ANGELES CALIF

ROUTINE  
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RE CASE 1ST LT AUDIE LEON MURPHY 01692509 AUS INFOR ATION RECEIVED  
THAT SUBJ OFF RECORDS FWDED YR HQ FOR VET ADM WAGO TEXAS STOP REQUEST  
CLINICAL RECORDS BE FWDED THIS OFFICE EXPEDITE REPLY UNCL AGPO DASH 3 DASH  
B WITSELL TAG



W. M. Thompson

UNCL

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Adjutant General

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
The Adjutant General's Office  
Washington 25, D. C.

In reply refer to: AGPO-S-B-  
201-Murphy, Audie L.  
(12 Dec 46)

12 December 1946

SUBJECT: Recall or appearance before an Army Retiring Board

TO:

*See pet's  
unclaimed*

First Lieutenant Audie L. Murphy, 01692509  
2001 Coldwater Canyon  
Beverly Hills, California

1. Reference is made to your request to be authorized to report to the nearest Army General Hospital for appearance before a Army Retiring Board.
2. Present policy of the War Department permits an officer whose physical condition has not been determined, to be recalled to active duty for the period of hospitalization.
3. It is, therefore, desired that you notify this office room 2D 564A The Pentagon Building Attention AGPO-S-B, if you wish to be recalled to active duty or authorized to enter an Army General Hospital. In the event you accept recall to active duty you will be returned to duty with full pay and allowances in the grade which you held prior to the date of entry on terminal leave. It is not possible for this office to estimate the length of time you will be hospitalized.
4. If you do not wish to accept active duty, authorization will be granted, for appearance at your own expense before an Army Retiring Board. This will be in a civilian status, and any determination as to the length of time required for your hospitalization must be made between you and the Commanding Officer of the hospital.
5. In the event that you are recommended by the Army Retiring Board for an additional period of limited service you may elect to remain on active duty for that period or to revert to an inactive status after hospitalization. If the Board recommends limited service during the period for which you accepted authorization you may request active duty. If the Board finds you to be not incapacitated for full military service, further active duty is dependent on the needs of the service.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

*R. M. Duff*  
Adjutant General

1 Incl:

1. 1946



Советская Россия: Организация  
 3007 Октябрьская улица  
 Москва, СССР

(1 15 Dec 46)

Москва, СССР

15 December 1946

4. Recommend officer again be authorized hospitalization in the Army general hospital nearest his home specializing in orthopedic surgery for observation, necessary treatment, appearance before a disposition board and an Army retiring board, if he so desires.

FOR THE SURGEON GENERAL:

2 Incls. n/c

*Charles S. Mudgett*  
CHARLES S. MUDGETT  
Colonel, Medical Corps  
Physical Standards Division

MEMO FOR RECORD:

On 17 Jan 47, subsequent to his relief from active duty, Lt. Audie L. Murphy, 01692509, was offered opportunity to enter an Army Hospital for the purpose of appearing before an ARB. In letter dated 20 Feb 47, on file in his 201 file, Lt. Murphy informed the Dept. in writing that he desired no further Dept. action in his case. In view of officer's statement, action recommended in Par. 4 of SGO Comment #2, above, is suspended until Lt. Murphy contacts Dept. relative to hospitalization, etc., AGPO-S-R -LDC/1bb/15 Jan 48

Feb. 20, 1947

Date

SUBJECT: Preference of action regarding hospitalization.

TO: The Adjutant General  
War Department  
Washington 25, D. C.

ATTENTION: Officers Separation Section  
Personnel Actions Branch  
Room 2D 570A,

*70-5.*

1. Reference is made to War Department letter informing me that if I so desire action will be taken with a view to my hospitalization in an Army hospital for the purpose of appearing before an Army Retiring Board.

2. I have studied the proposals set forth below and have indicated the course of action I desire by placing a check mark in the appropriate box:

- a. I request that I be authorized to enter an Army General Hospital in a civilian status for the purpose of appearing before an Army Retiring Board. I understand that I must defray all expenses incident to this authorization and hospitalization.
- b. I request that I be recalled to active duty for the purpose of appearing before an Army Retiring Board. Copies of orders relieving me from active duty and of my last promotion are inclosed.
- c. I request that the War Department take no further action with regard to my case.



MURPHY, AUDIE L.  
Name

1st Lt.  
Grade

Infantry  
Branch

01692509  
Army Serial

4404 Jacarando Avenue  
Burbank, California  
Present address

Officers Section  
Pers. Inf. Br.

Initial AM Date 28 Feb 47

*action rec*



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WAR DEPARTMENT  
The Adjutant General's Office  
Washington 25, D. C.

IN reply refer to:AGPO-S-B-  
201-Murphy, Audie L.  
(17 Jan 47)

17 January 1947

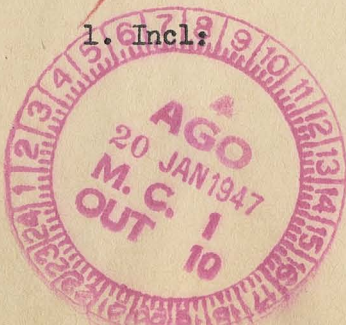
SUBJECT: Recall or appearance before an Army Retiring Board

TO:

First Lieutenant Audie L. Murphy, 01692509  
Farmersville, Texas.

1. Reference is made to your request to be authorized to report to the nearest Army General Hospital for appearance before a new Army Retiring Board.
2. Present policy of the War Department permits an officer whose physical condition has not been determined, to be recalled to active duty for the period of hospitalization.
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1. Incl:



V.F. 2D 570

FILE  
OFFICER'S BR 201'S  
SER SECTION

Robert H. Dunlop Jr.

Adjutant General JAN 17 1947

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STATE OF TEXAS  
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT  
AUSTIN 11

SPECIAL ORDERS

4 September 1947

NO. 124

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12. Under the provisions of Section V, National Guard Regulations 20, and upon the recommendation of the Regimental Commander concerned, the transfer of the following officers within the 141st Infantry Regiment is hereby announced effective 20 September 1947:

a. Captain ARCHIE G. BIRKNER, from duty as Adj, S-1 and Co Comd Hq Co 1st Bn, 141st Inf Regt to duty as Bn S-3, Hq & Hq Co, 1st Bn, 141st Inf Regt, vice original vacancy.

b. Captain HENRY L GRIFFIN from duty as Bn S-2, Hq & Hq Co 1st Bn 141st Inf Regt to duty as Adj, S-1 and Co Comdr Hq Co 1st Bn 141st Inf Regt vice Birkner transferred in a above.

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BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR:

K. L. BERRY  
Major General  
The Adjutant General

OFFICIAL:

WILLIAM H. MARTIN  
Brigadier General  
Assistant Adjutant General

WAR DEPARTMENT

**DISPOSITION FORM**FILE No. AGPO-S-R-201-  
Murphy, Audie L.SUBJECT  
RetirementTO The Surgeon General  
Attn: Col. Mudgett  
Room 2C 515  
The PentagonFROM AGO, Pers. Actions Br.  
Offrs' Sep Section  
Room 2E 577, PentagonDATE  
14 January 1948

COMMENT No. 1

Capt. J. M. Hertzog  
Ext. 2921

Request a brief medical history in the case of First Lieutenant Audie L. Murphy, 1692509, Infantry.

2 Incls:

1. Ltr dtd 4 Jan 48  
from H. T. Anglim
2. 201 File

  
Adjutant General

MEDDP 201 (Murphy, Audie L.)0

TO AGO Personnel Actions Br.  
Officers' Sep. Sec.  
2E 577 PentagonFROM  
The Surgeon General  
2C 515 Pentagon letterDATE  
14 Jan 48  
COMMENT NO 2  
Lt. Col. Goodiel/mr  
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1. Department of the Army records, including/from Mr. H. T. Anglim, 4 January 1948, and AG 201 file, in the case of 1st Lt. Audie L. Murphy, O-1692509, Inf-AUS, have been carefully reviewed in this office.
2. Evidence in the record reveals that this officer has the following defects: Residuals of gunshot wounds received in combat.
3. The record does not reveal that prior to relief from active duty officer was properly reclassified to general service or placed before Army retiring board. A terminal physical examination at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, 21 August 1945, recorded war wounds as follows: (1) Shell fragment, right heel and ankle, 1944; (2) Shell fragment left heel, 1944; (3) Gunshot wound, right hip, October 1944; and (4) Shell fragment, left leg, January 1945. (1)(2) and (4) were found to be minor, nonsymptomatic, and not disabling. However, (3) had resulted in a 9" depressed transverse scar across right buttock, upper portion, with muscle loss and complaint of weakness in right thigh. The medical examiners at that station stated that disability was moderate and that officer was permanently incapacitated for general service but not incapacitated for limited service. On 3 December 1946, this office recommended to TAG that subject officer be authorized a physical examination for his defects in an Army installation and that a report be furnished for review. The officer rejected The Adjutant General's proposal to this effect on 28 February 1947 and requested the War Department to take no further action with regard to his case.

D E C I M E N T





WAR DEPARTMENT  
WAR DEPARTMENT SPECIAL STAFF  
NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU

PROCEEDINGS OF AN EXAMINING BOARD

CONVENED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 3	SPECIAL ORDERS No. 114	HEADQUARTERS Fourth ARMY	DATED 15 May 1948
PLACE Camp Mabry, Austin, Texas	DATE 14 July 1950	HOUR 1130	

PRESENT: (All the members)

Yes

THE ORDER DIRECTING THE CANDIDATE

AUDIE LEON MURPHY

(NAME IN FULL)

0-1692509  
0162509  
(SERIAL NUMBER)

Hq Hq Co 1st Bn 141st Inf Regt 36th Inf Div Infantry

(UNIT)

(ARM OR SERVICE)

Texas

(STATE)

TO REPORT FOR EXAMINATION TO DETERMINE HIS QUALIFICATIONS FOR A COMMISSION AS Captain

(RANK)

Infantry, Tex NG

(ARM OR SERVICE)

AND THE ORDERS CONVENING THE BOARD WERE READ.

THE CANDIDATE WAS ASKED IF HE OBJECTED TO EXAMINATION BY ANY MEMBER OF THE BOARD, TO WHICH HE REPLIED IN THE NEGATIVE. THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND THE RECORDER WERE DULY SWORN

THE BOARD PROCEEDED WITH THE EXAMINATION AND FINDS THAT—

THE CANDIDATE'S AGE CONFORMS TO REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION VII, NATIONAL GUARD REGULATION 20. HE LIVES IN THE VICINITY OF THE UNIT TO WHICH HE IS TO BE ASSIGNED. HE IS A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES. HE MEETS THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS. REPORT ON THE CANDIDATE FOR GRADES OTHER THAN GENERAL OFFICER BY HIS SUPERIOR OFFICER (on WD NGB Form 67) AND FOR GENERAL OFFICERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 62, SECTION XI, NATIONAL GUARD REGULATIONS No. 20, APPENDED HERETO.) Not required.

HIS PHYSICAL QUALIFICATIONS ARE SATISFACTORY

HIS MORAL CHARACTER IS SATISFACTORY

HIS GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS ARE SATISFACTORY

YES  NO

WD NGB FORM 63 ENCLOSED

YES  NO

YES  NO

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS<sup>1</sup>

THE BOARD THEN PROCEEDED WITH THE EXAMINATION OF THE PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF THE CANDIDATE AND FINDS THAT—

SUBJECTS: REFERENCE AR 140-	PERCENTAGE ATTAINED	TESTS WAIVED AND BASIS OF WAIVER FOR EACH
The board considered and accepted the candidate's military record as shown on WD NGB Form 62 and from personal interrogation as satisfactory evidence for qualification in lieu of written examination. NGR 20.		

<sup>1</sup> If tests are waived, the authorization for such waivers must be attached. Candidate must qualify in all subjects in each grade to and including the grade for which he is being examined.

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH ARMY  
Fort Sam Houston, Texas

15 May 1948

SPECIAL ORDERS

E X T R A C T

NUMBER 114

2. By order of the SA; under the provisions of Sec 75, Nat'l Defense Act; Sec VII, NGR 20; and Par 5, NGR 22, a board of Offs is aptd to meet at the call of the president thereof for the purpose of examining Offs and WOs for Federal recognition in the Tex NG:

BOARD NO 48, PARIS TEXAS

COL GARNETT H WILSON, 010302, Cav, 4405th ASU, Tex NG Instr Det, Austin, Tex,  
w/sta Dallas, Tex  
LT COL JAMES C STRONG, 0379023, MC, 210th Med Bn, Tex NG  
MAJ WOODSON A CAWTHON, 01171487, FA, 646th Armd FA Bn, Tex NG

3. VCG, Fourth Army, 11 May 48, are hereby confirmed:

By order of the SA; under the provisions of Sec 75, Nat'l Defense Act; Sec VII, NGR 20; and Par 5, NGR 22, a board of Offs is aptd to meet at the call of the president thereof for the purpose of examining Offs and WOs for Federal recognition in the Tex NG:

BOARD NO 49, AUSTIN, TEXAS

COL ALEXANDER J MacNAB, 08275, Inf, 4405th ASU, Tex NG Instr Det, Austin, Tex  
COL BARRY D GREER, 0238947, AGD, State Hq & Hq Det, Austin, Tex  
LT COL THOMAS R BLACK, 0499464, AGD, State Hq & Hq Det, Austin, Tex

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL HANDY:

OFFICIAL:

(Seal Affixed)

H I HODES  
Brig Gen, GSC  
Chief of Staff

L B CLAPHAM  
Colonel, AGD  
Adjutant General

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A True Copy:

*Hugh J Fitzgerald*  
HUGH J FITZGERALD  
Colonel, Cavalry

#6

# REQUEST FOR SERVICE INFORMATION MADE ON THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

2962

In connection with the preparation of a statement of service card for the individual whose name appears in Section One of this form, the Office of Selective Service Records needs the information indicated by an "X" in Column 1, Section Two. The necessary information will be placed in Column 3, Section Two.

## SECTION ONE—This section to be completed by the Office of Selective Service Records

**MURPHY**  
(Last name)

**AUDIE**  
(First name)

**LEON**  
(Middle name or initial)

**01 692 509**  
(Service serial number)

Date referral mailed to Army August 5, 1949

Date referral returned \_\_\_\_\_  
**K. H. LETTCH** (State Director)

Upon completion of Column 3, Section Two, return the original of this form to the Office of Selective Service Records at the address given at the right →

**Selective Service System**  
1209 - 8th Street  
Sacramento 14, California

## SECTION TWO—This section to be completed by the Army for items marked with an "X"

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Name . . . . .	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Service serial number . . . . .	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3	Home address at entrance into service . . . . .	<u>R 3, Greenville, Texas</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> 4	Selective Service Local Board . . . . .	X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X
<input type="checkbox"/> 5	Date of birth . . . . .	
<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Place of birth . . . . .	X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7	Race . . . . .	<u>white</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> 8	Sex . . . . .	X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X
<input type="checkbox"/> 9	Registered . . . . .	X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X
<input type="checkbox"/> 10	Other service in . . . . .	X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 11	Entered service by . . . . .	Enl. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ind. <input type="checkbox"/> Comm. <input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12	Date of enlistment, induction, or commission . . . . .	<u>30 Jun 42</u> <u>14 Oct 44</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 13	Date of entry on active duty . . . . .	<u>30 Jun 42</u> <u>14 Oct 44</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 14	Date of release from active duty . . . . .	<u>13 Oct 44</u> <u>21 Sep 45</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 15	Grade or rating at separation . . . . .	<u>S/SGT</u> <u>1st Lt</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 16	Highest grade or rating held . . . . .	<u>S/SGT</u> <u>1st Lt</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 17	Character or type of separation or discharge . . . . .	<u>back pay</u> <u>honorable</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> 18	Battles and campaigns . . . . .	X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X
<input type="checkbox"/> 19	Decorations and citations . . . . .	X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 20	Foreign and/or sea service . . . . .	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yrs. <u>2</u> Mos. <u>6</u> Days <u>2</u> <span style="float: right;">total</span>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 21	Remarks . . . . .	<span style="float: right;"><u>enl &amp; com</u></span>



File AG 201  
 OVT. PERS. INF. SEC.  
 PERS. IN. BRANCH  
 INVT. mcc  
 ROOM NO. B.F. 686A  
 DATE 13 Aug 49

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
REQUIREMENTS FOR SERVICE INFORMATION

In order to classify a veteran on the basis of his service, it is necessary for the local board to have the following information:

Periods of Active duty in which the service consisted solely of training under the Army specialized training program, the Army Air Force college training program, or any similar program under the jurisdiction of the Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard.

Periods of active duty as a cadet of the United States Military Academy or United States Coast Guard Academy, or as a midshipman at the United States Naval Academy.

TYPE OF TRAINING \_\_\_\_\_

FROM \_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_

If none of his service involved any of the foregoing, please insert check mark.



12 AUG 1949



1	Name	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Service serial number	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	Home address at entrance into service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Selective Service Local Board	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Date of birth	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Place of birth	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	Race	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8	Sex	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	Registered	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	Other service in	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	Foreign service by	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	Date of enlistment, induction or commission	<input type="checkbox"/>
13	Date of entry on active duty	<input type="checkbox"/>
14	Date of release from active duty	<input type="checkbox"/>
15	Grade or rating at separation	<input type="checkbox"/>
16	Highest grade or rating held	<input type="checkbox"/>
17	Character or type of separation or discharge	<input type="checkbox"/>
18	Battle honors	<input type="checkbox"/>
19	Decorations	<input type="checkbox"/>
20	And other service	<input type="checkbox"/>
21		<input type="checkbox"/>

AGPO-AE 201 Murphy, Audie  
01 692 509 (22 Aug 49)

26 August 1949

First Lieutenant Audie Murphy  
8255 Beverly Boulevard  
Hollywood 48, California

Dear Lieutenant Murphy:

I am pleased to inclose herewith a renewal of the authorization for you to travel on Armed Service aircraft as a passenger under the conditions stated on the authorization card which is valid until 30 June 1950.

It is suggested that when requesting this travel you present this card with adequate personal identification.

Sincerely yours,

1 Incl  
Authorization card

EDWARD F. WITSELL  
Major General  
The Adjutant General



*File: Off Sec. PAB  
Dra Sec. PAB  
Mey/10 6 49*

PLEASE FURNISH SERVICE INFORMATION THUS INDICATED (X) BELOW:

- ( ) 1. Date of enlistment.
- ( ) 2. Date of entrance into active service.
- ( ) 3. Date of discharge from active service.
- ( ) 4. Character of discharge and line-of-duty status.
- ( ) 5. Give commencement and ending dates of any period veteran was assigned to any Army Specialized Training program and Navy College Training program and whether same was pursued to completion.
- ( ) 6. Give periods of time, if any, veteran was assigned to your Service Academy.
- ( ) 7. Please furnish dates covering time lost under AW-107.
- ( ) 8. If character of discharge is neither honorable nor dishonorable, give a summation of facts and circumstances forming the basis for such discharge, in order that a determination relative to entitlement under Public 346, 78th Congress, may be made. If separation from service was by virtue of action by a Sec. VIII Board, please furnish a copy of the Board's proceedings.
- ( ) 9. If veteran was discharged because of conviction of a Military or Civil Court, furnish complete records covering indictment, transcript of testimony, and verdict of the Court which resulted in this veteran receiving an "other than honorable" discharge. Furnish similar information with reference to any other disciplinary action taken against this veteran.

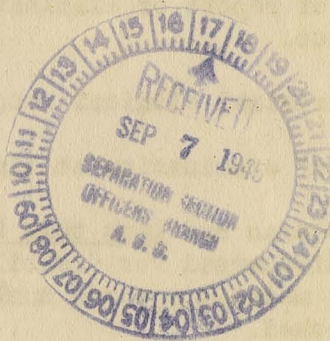
PLEASE FURNISH MEDICAL INFORMATION THUS INDICATED (X) BELOW:

- ( ) 10. Copy of report of examination of time of entrance into service.
- ( ) 11. All original clinical records.
- ( ) 12. Copy of examination at time of discharge.
- ( ) 13. If veteran had less than 90 days active service, and was discharged for disability not incurred in line of duty, medical records numbers 10, 11 and 12 should be furnished.



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PFC MURPHY KILLED 2,  
CAPTURED 5 AND WOUND  
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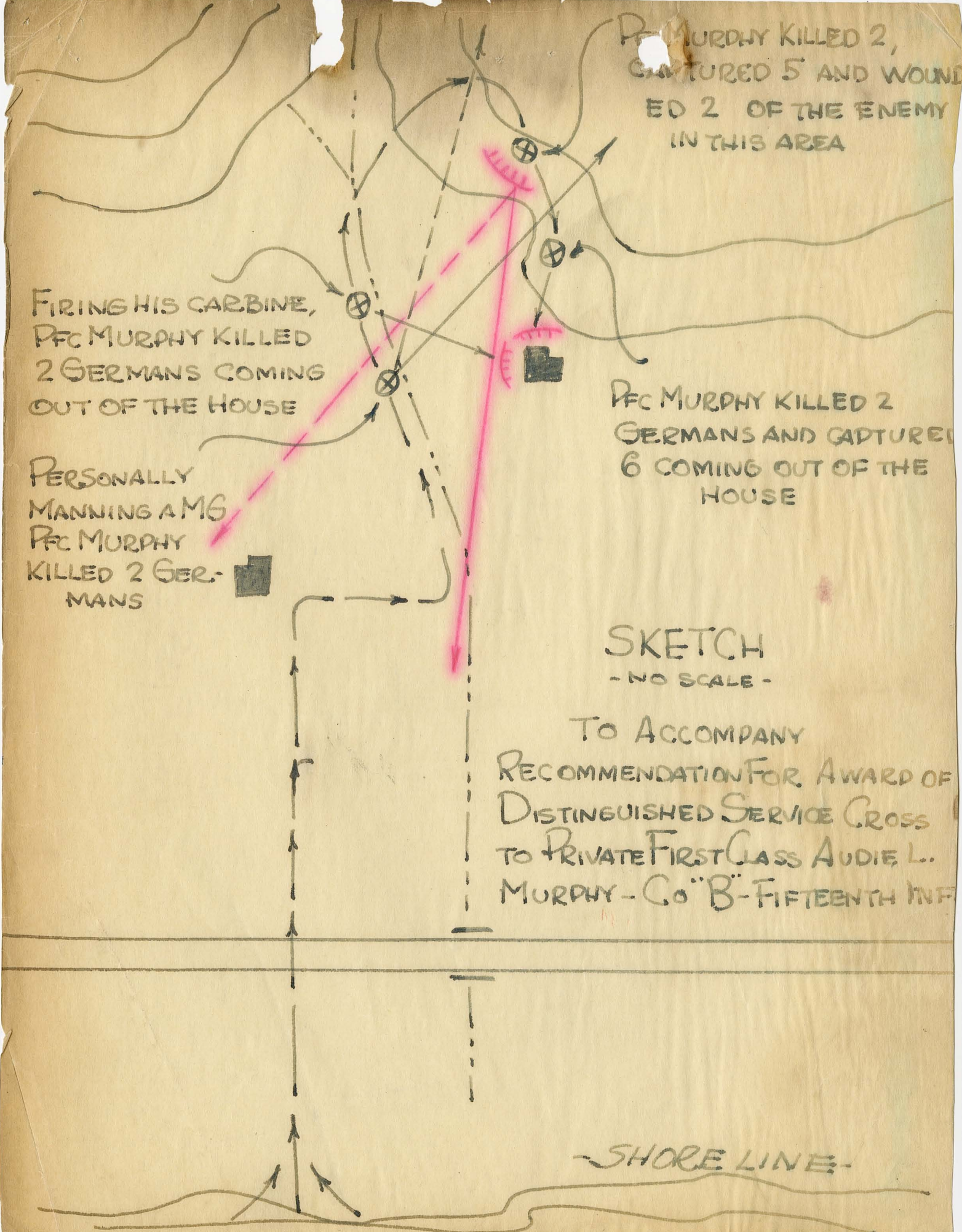
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SKETCH  
- NO SCALE -

TO ACCOMPANY  
RECOMMENDATION FOR AWARD OF  
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS  
TO PRIVATE FIRST CLASS AUDIE L.  
MURPHY - Co "B" - FIFTEENTH INF

- SHORE LINE -



**REPORT OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF ENLISTED MAN  
PRIOR TO DISCHARGE OR RETIREMENT**

(See AR 40-100 and sec. I, Cir. 146, W.D. 1941)

Murphy, Audie L. 18083707  
(Last name) (First name) (Middle initial) (Army serial number)

S/Sgt Co. B, 15th Infantry.  
(Grade) (Regiment and arm or service)

Farm laborer.

(Occupation prior to entry into service)

**DECLARATION OF ENLISTED MAN**

Question. Have you any reason to believe that at the present time you are suffering from the effects of any wound, injury or disease, or that you have any disability or impairment of health, whether or not incurred in

the military service? Answer No.

Q. If so, describe the disability, stating the nature and location of the wound, injury or disease.

A. \_\_\_\_\_

Q. When and where was the disability incurred? A. \_\_\_\_\_

Q. State the circumstances, if known, under which the disability was incurred. A. \_\_\_\_\_

I declare that the foregoing questions and my answers thereto have been read over to me, and that I fully understand the questions, and that my replies to them are true in every respect and are correctly recorded.

*Audie L. Murphy*  
(Signature of enlisted man)

**CERTIFICATE OF IMMEDIATE COMMANDING OFFICER**

I CERTIFY THAT:

\*To the best of my knowledge and belief the enlisted man who made and signed the foregoing declaration <sup>(has)</sup> ~~(has not)~~ a <sup>(wound, injury or disease)</sup> ~~(wound, injury or disease)~~ at the present time, which <sup>(was)</sup> ~~(was not)~~ incurred in the military service of the United States about \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

The nature and location of the <sup>(wound, injury or disease)</sup> ~~(wound, injury or disease)~~, so far as known, are \_\_\_\_\_

The circumstances under which incurred were \_\_\_\_\_

In my opinion the defect, wound, injury, or disease <sup>(was)</sup> ~~(was not)~~ incurred in the line of duty in the military service of the United States.

G. G. COHN, 1st Lt., 15th Infantry,  
Personnel Officer, ~~Commander~~

13 October \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_  
(Place and date)

\*Strike out the part of the certificate not applicable to the case.  
†Strike out words not applicable.

W. D., A. G. O. Form No. 33  
November 23, 1941

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**RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION**

Vision: Right eye 20/20 Left eye 20/20

Eye conditions Normal

Hearing: Right ear 20/20 Left ear 20/20

Ear, nose, and throat conditions Normal

	Right							Left								
Teeth	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	X															X
	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16

(Strike out those that are missing; circle those that may be restored)

Mouth and gums Normal

General examination (physique, skin, head, chest, abdomen, extremities) Negative

General surgical conditions (including hernia, hemorrhoids, varicose veins, and state of abdominal wall and viscera) None.

Organs of locomotion (including bones, joints, muscles, and tendons):  
Normal

Genito-urinary system (including functioning of kidneys) Normal

Cardio-vascular system Normal

Lungs Normal

Nervous system Normal

I CERTIFY that the enlisted man named above has this date been given a careful physical examination as recorded above. It is found that he is physically and mentally sound with the exceptions noted above.

The defect, wound, injury, or disease <sup>(is not)</sup> ~~(is)~~ likely to result in death or disability.

In <sup>(our)</sup> ~~(my)~~ opinion the defect, wound, injury, or disease <sup>(was)</sup> ~~(was not)~~ incurred in the line of duty in the military service of the United States.

Remarks: None.

*Franklin H. ...*  
(Name) (Grade) \_\_\_\_\_, M. C., U. S. Army.

\_\_\_\_\_, M. C., U. S. Army.  
A. P. O. # 3, 13 October \_\_\_\_\_, 1944  
(Place and date)

\*Strike out words not applicable.

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REPORT OF BOARD OF REVIEW

(See instruction 2)

From a careful consideration of the case and a critical examination of the enlisted man,

WE FIND:

\*That he is physically and mentally sound.

\*He is physically and mentally sound with the following exceptions: (Describe the nature and location of the defect, wound, injury, or disease)

Series of horizontal dashed lines for describing exceptions.

The defect, wound, injury, or disease <sup>{is}</sup>/<sub>{is not}</sub> likely to result in death or disability.

In <sup>{our}</sup>/<sub>{my}</sub> opinion the defect, wound, injury, or disease <sup>{was}</sup>/<sub>{was not}</sub> incurred in the line of duty in the military service of the United States.

-----, M. C., U. S. Army. (Name) (Grade)

-----, M. C., U. S. Army. (Name) (Grade)

-----, M. C., U. S. Army. (Name) (Grade)

-----, 19\_\_\_\_ (Place and date)

\*Strike out the part of the certificate not applicable to the case. †Strike out words not applicable.

Reverse side of the form with faint text and horizontal lines.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This report will be made out for each enlisted man immediately preceding separation by discharge, retirement, or release from active service in the Army of the United States, unless discharged on Certificate of Disability for Discharge (W. D., A. G. O. Form No. 40) under section II, AR 615-360. Since defects, wounds, injuries, or diseases incurred in the service may be made the basis of a claim for pension, examining surgeons in determining line of duty will consider paragraph 18 a (1) (c), AR 40-1025 (see Cir. No. 226, W. D., 1941), and paragraph 10 c, AR 615-360.

2. If the declaration of the enlisted man and the certificate of the examining surgeon do not agree, the case will be referred to a board of review, to consist of not less than two medical officers, convened by the post, camp, or regimental commander, which will complete the report on page 3 of this form.

3. When completed, the report will be forwarded to The Adjutant General.

Handwritten number 16110

WALKER

From: Audie L. Murphy, O-1 692 509, formerly 1st Lt.  
Co. B.15th. Infantry 3rd. Division

To: The Adjutant Generals Office,  
Washington, 25, D.C.

Subject: Officers Retirement, request for

Reference: 34 USC, Section 855-C-1, as amended October  
10, 1942.

1. It is requested that I be permitted to appear before a Retirement Board, as provided by law for Officers who suffer disabilities in line of duty while in active service.

2. I enlisted on June 30, 1942 and was sworn into active service on October 14, 1944 at Farmersville, Texas. I was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant on October 14, 1944. I was released from active duty on September 21, 1945. I was assigned to Co. B.,15th. Infantry, 3rd. Division.

3. I sailed for overseas on October 14, 1944 and participated in actions in the following areas: Central Europe, Southern France, Rhineland, Tunisia, Sicily, Naples-Foggia and Rome-Arno.

4. I was wounded three different times, January 15, 1945, September 15, 1944 and October 26, 1944. On October 26, 1944, I was wounded near St. Die, France receiving a Gun Shot Wound in the right Hip, perforating the right Buttock, causing loss of muscle and weakness in the thigh, leaving a nine inch scar, I was treated at the 3rd. General Hospital; On September 15, 1944, I was wounded near Bascon, France, receiving Shell Fragment Wounds in the right heel and Ankle; On January 15, 1945, I was wounded near Holtzwir, France, receiving Shell Fragment Wounds in the left leg and heel.

5. I received the following decorations, Congressional Medal of Honor from General Alexander Patch at Salzburg, Austria on June 5, 1945. I had previously received the Distinguished Service Cross, Legion of Merit, The Silver Star with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster, The Bronze Star Medal, The Purple Heart with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, The Distinguished Unit Citation Badge, EAME Campaign Medal with 7 Bronze Service Stars and the Croix de Guerre.

6. I returned to the United States via plane with General Patch on June 14, 1945.

7. I am at present receiving a disability pension from the Veterans Administration for the wounds received in action as described in paragraph 4 of this letter.

8. I am at present residing at 2001 Coldwater Canyon, Beverly Hills, California.

9. Trusting that this will meet with your approval I remain.

Respectfully yours

  
*Audie L. Murphy*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
AUDIE LEON MURPHY