



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
THE INSTITUTE OF HERALDRY
9325 GUNSTON ROAD, ROOM S112
FORT BELVOIR, VIRGINIA 22060-5579

AAMH-IHS (840-10a)

SEP 19 2016

MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, 863d Engineer Battalion, 10S 100 South Frontage Road, Darien, IL 60561-1780

SUBJECT: Heraldic Entitlements for 863d Engineer Battalion, United States Army Reserve

1. While updating the coat of arms drawing, an error was discovered in the blazon of the coat of arms. Therefore, we have amended the coat of arms (COA) authorization letter to correct the error (encl 1) and have also amended the distinctive unit insignia (DUI) authorization letter to update the description (encl 2).

2. Also enclosed for your records are the following:

a. Color print of the COA (encl 3).

b. COA manufacturing drawing (5-6-3162) (encl 4).

c. Copies of the manufacturing drawing, black and white line drawing and actual size color print of the DUI (encls 5-7).

3. POC at this Institute is Mrs. Henning, DSN 656-4972, COMM (703) 806-4972 or by email at bonnie.s.henning.civ@mail.mil.

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MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, 863d Engineer Battalion, 10S 100 South Frontage Road, Darien, IL 60561-1780

SUBJECT: Coat of Arms for 863d Engineer Battalion, United States Army Reserve

1. The coat of arms amended this date to correct the blazon, was **originally authorized** for the 863d Engineer Battalion by letter AGAH-A, The Institute of Heraldry, 13 October 1970.
2. The blazon and symbolism of the design are as follows:

BLAZON

SHIELD: Per bend Azure and Gules, a bend nebuly Argent between in chief a sea lion holding in dexter paw a sword Or and in base a Philippine axe and a New Guinea sword club, saltirewise, point and axehead upwards, of the last.

CREST: That for the regiments and separate battalions of the Army Reserve: From a wreath Argent and Azure, the Lexington Minute Man Proper. The statue of the Minute Man, Captain John Parker (H.H. Kitson, sculptor), stands on the Common in Lexington, Massachusetts.

MOTTO: TACKLE ANYTHING.

SYMBOLISM

SHIELD: Scarlet and white are the colors of the Corps of Engineers. The sea lion with sword from the flag of the Philippine President refers to the Philippine Presidential Unit Citation awarded to the Battalion and the club and axe denote the New Guinea and Philippine (Leyte and Luzon) campaigns, World War II, in which the unit participated. The Battalion's historic Engineer Aviation organization is represented by the blue chief and nebuly diagonal stripe which allude both to construction and maintenance of landing strips and providing bridges over waterways.

CREST: The crest is that of the United States Army Reserve.

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SUBJECT: Coat of Arms for the 863d Engineer Battalion, United States Army Reserve

3. This authorization is in accordance with paragraph 5-59, AR 840-10. A copy of this letter will become part of your permanent organizational history file.

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MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, 863d Engineer Battalion, 10S 100 South Frontage Road, Darien, IL 60561-1780

SUBJECT: Distinctive Unit Insignia for the 863d Engineer Battalion, United States Army Reserve

1. The distinctive unit insignia amended this date to update the description, was **originally authorized** for the 863d Engineer Battalion by letter AGAH-A, The Institute of Heraldry, 7 December 1970.
2. The description and symbolism of the design are as follows:

DESCRIPTION

A Gold color metal and enamel device 1 1/8 inches (2.86 cm) in height overall consisting of a shield blazoned: Per bend Azure and Gules, a bend nebuly Argent between in chief a sea lion holding in dexter paw a sword Or and in base a Philippine axe and a New Guinea sword club, saltirewise, point and axehead upwards, of the last. Attached below and to the sides of the shield a Gold scroll inscribed "TACKLE ANYTHING" in Black letters.

SYMBOLISM

Scarlet and white are the colors of the Corps of Engineers. The sea lion with sword from the flag of the Philippine President refers to the Philippine Presidential Unit Citation awarded to the Battalion and the club and axe denote the New Guinea and Philippine (Leyte and Luzon) campaigns, World War II, in which the unit participated. The Battalion's historic Engineer Aviation organization is represented by the blue chief and nebuly diagonal stripe which allude both to construction and maintenance of landing strips and providing bridges over waterways.

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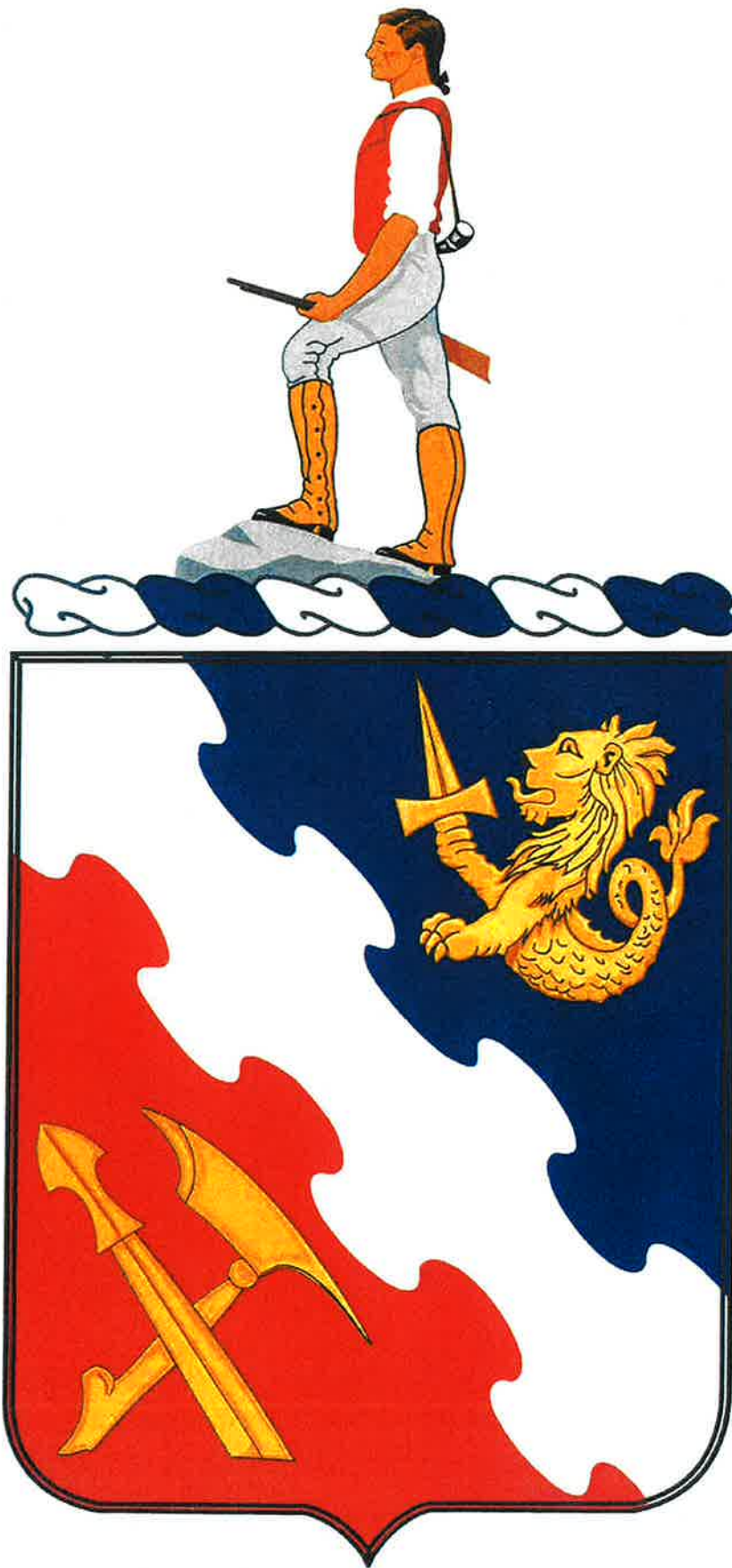
SUBJECT: Distinctive Unit Insignia for the 863d Engineer Battalion, United States Army Reserve

3. This authorization is in accordance with AR 670-1. A copy of this letter will become part of your permanent organizational history files.

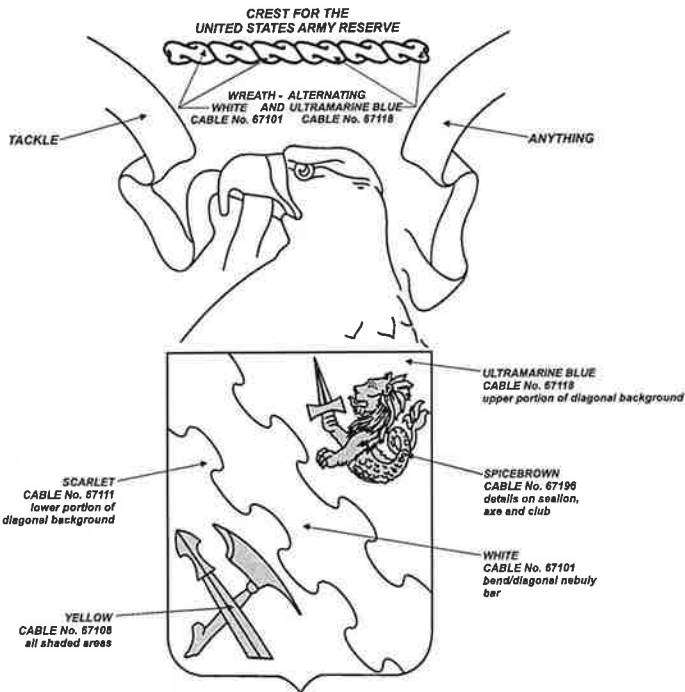
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**COAT OF ARMS
863D ENGINEER BATTALION
UNITED STATES ARMY RESERVE**



863TH ENGINEER

BLAZON

SHIELD: Per bend Azure and Gules, a bend nebuli Argent between in chief a sea lion holding in dexter paw a sword Or and in base a Philippine axe and a New Guinea sword club, saltirewise, point and axehead upwards, of the last.

CREST: That for the regiments and separate battalions of the United States Army Reserve: From a wreath Argent and Azure, The Lexington Minute Man Proper.

MOTTO: TACKLE ANYTHING

REFERENCE	DRAWING NO.
SCALE DRAWING OF LABEL	5-41
SCALE DRAWING WITH COLOR SPECIFICATIONS	5-42
STRIPWAYS	5-43
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COAT OF ARMS AUTHORIZED FOR USE BY

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SUPERSEDES FORM DWG. No. 5-5-112 DTD. 2 NOVEMBER 1970

THE SIZE OF FIGURES SPECIFIED IN DIMENSIONS ON REVISIONS SHALL BE IN INCHES UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED

EXAMINED	DATE
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✓	08/01
✓	09/01

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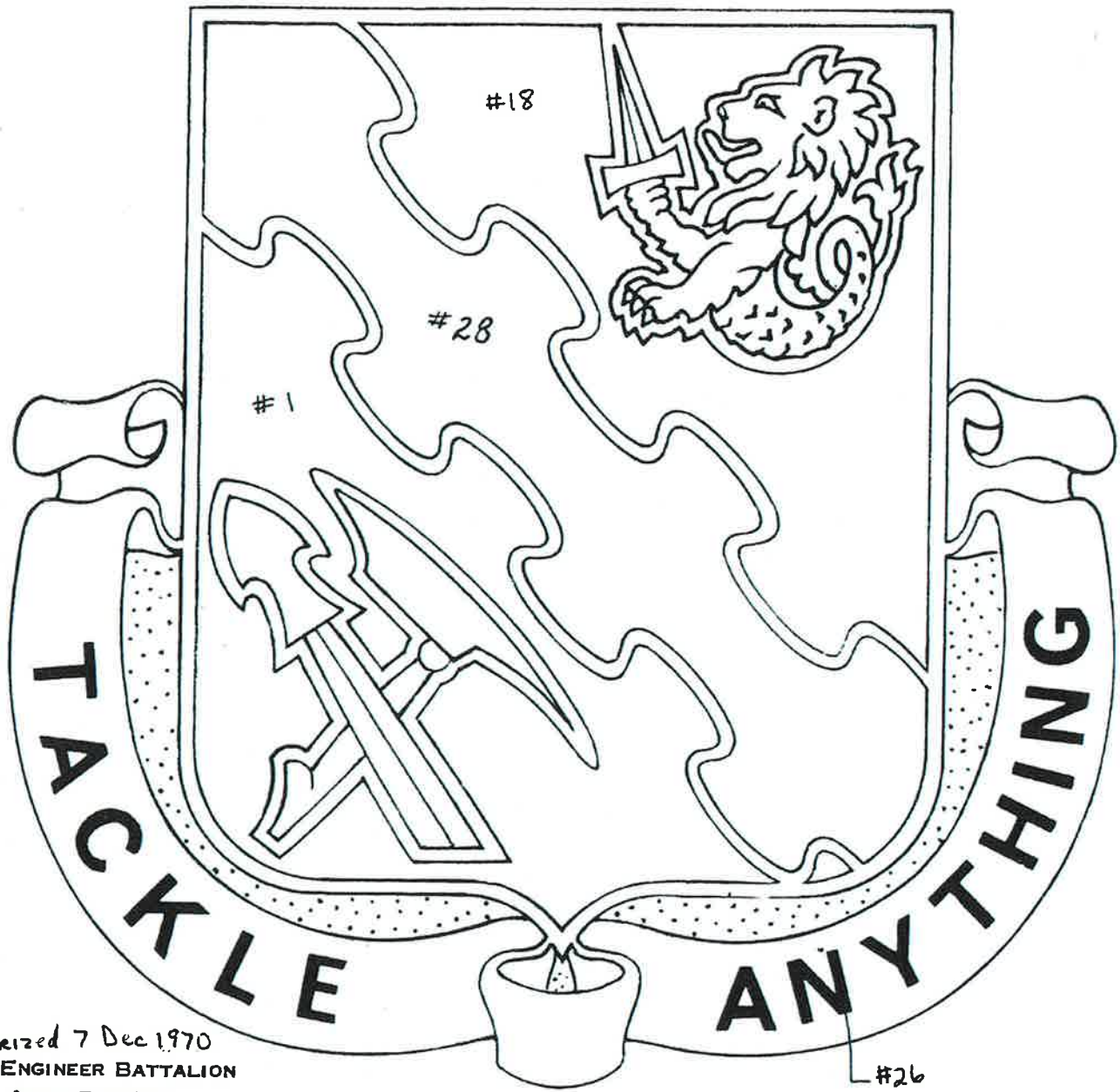
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663TH ENGINEER BATTALION
UNITED STATES ARMY RESERVE

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8 SEPTEMBER 2015

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Authorized 7 Dec 1970
 863D ENGINEER BATTALION
 U. S. ARMY RESERVE
 D-4934
 ACTUAL SIZE $1\frac{1}{8}'' \pm \frac{1}{64}$

- METAL COLOR———GOLD
- FINISH———MIRROR-LIKE POLISH
- DEVICE
- ENAMEL———VITREOUS OPAQUE
- CHARGES———FLUSH, EXCEPT SEA LION &
 SWORD CLUB & PHILIPPINE AXE
 RECESSED & MODELLED
- LETTERING———VITREOUS OPAQUE (BLACK *26)
- PIERCING———NONE, AREA BETWEEN SHIELD & SCROLL RECESSED & TEXTURED
- CHIP No. BLUE *18 WHITE *28 RED *1 BLACK *26

*The Institute of Heraldry
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DISTINCTIVE INSIGNIA FOR

863D ENGINEER BATTALION

U.S. ARMY RESERVE

2 NOVEMBER 1970
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