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HEADQUARTERS 36TH INFANTRY DIVISION
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Divisional Citation of Unit..... I
Award of Purple Heart..... II

SECTION I — CITATION OF UNIT

The 36th Signal Company, for exceptional performance from 26 May to 26 June 1944 in supporting the combat units of the Division during the monumental 29-day push from the Anzio beachhead area through Rome to the hills overlooking Pisa. Braving hostile artillery, mortar and sniper fire and bombing and strafing attacks by enemy aircraft, personnel of the 36th Signal Company moved into the Anzio beachhead area and, advancing with the Infantry troops, established a network of communications within the Division and between Division and higher headquarters. After the capture of Velletri, the swift rate of advance rendered the Signal Company's tasks doubly difficult, but the officers and men of the company worked day and night, with little rest or sleep, to lay wire lines and maintain radio communications. In spite of the difficulties and dangers of combat conditions, this unit advanced with the attacking troops through Rome and in pursuit of the enemy to the north, distinguishing itself by the high quality of work accomplished.

SECTION II — AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named individuals of the 143d Infantry Regiment, for wounds received as a result of enemy action in France.

WOODROW W. NEWMAN, 34614336, Private First Class, Company F, 27 September 1944. Entered the Service from Covin, Alabama.

DARWIN D. MILES, 37245604, Private First Class, Company K, 28 September 1944. Entered the Service from Downs, Kansas.

CHARLES C. RAWLS, JR., 34703508, Private First Class, Cannon Company, 14 September 1944. Entered the Service from Hamer, Alabama.

CARL F. KETTIG, 32951102, Private First Class, Company G, 24 September 1944. Entered the Service from (Unknown).

J. B. RHODY, 34811996, Private First Class, Company F, 30 September 1944. Entered the Service from Sulligent, Alabama.

LAWRENCE M. RUSSO, 32802730, Private First Class, Company K, 22 September 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

STANLEY L. SERLEY, 35874551, Private First Class, Company C, 22 September 1944. Entered the Service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

CHARLES A. SMITH, 35093666, Private First Class, Company C, 22 September 1944. Entered the Service from Franklin, Indiana.

BASIL W. ARNOLD, 35342915, Private First Class, Company E, 1 October 1944. Entered the Service from Pampa, Texas.

PETER BATINICH, 36643110, Private First Class, Company E, 25 September 1944. Entered the Service from Eveleth, Minnesota.

JOSEPH P. BLONSIK, 36883776, Private First Class, Company E, 25 September 1944. Entered the Service from Detroit, Michigan.

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/ MARTIN BERGER, 32958204, Private First Class, Company B, 22 September 1944. Entered the Service from Wilmington, Delaware.

/ EDWARD F. BERNARDY, 36288280, Private First Class, Company E, 25 September 1944. Entered the Service from Marinette, Wisconsin.

/ CASIMIR I. BIEL, 36831884, Private First Class, Company C, 22 September 1944. Entered the Service from Chicago, Illinois.

/ ROBERT L. BITZER, 33149238, Private First Class, Company A, 22 September 1944. Entered the Service from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

/ ALVIN D. BLANKENSHIP, 37481496, Private First Class, Company A, 22 September 1944. Entered the Service from Peru, Nebraska.

/ WALTER J. BLAU, 37666133, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 24 September 1944. Entered the Service from Alexander, Iowa.

/ WILLIAM A. BOWLES, 38026940, Private First Class, Company A, 29 September 1944. Entered the Service from Hallettsville, Texas.

/ CLIFFORD N. BRINSON, 35699302, Private First Class, Company A, 22 September 1944. Entered the Service from Madison, Indiana.

/ BERT B. BROCK, 36715318, Private First Class, Company E, 25 September 1944. Entered the Service from Joliet, Illinois.

/ JEFF BRYANT, 34574005, Private First Class, Company E, 25 September 1944. Entered the Service from Augusta, Georgia.

/ ROBERT J. STRATTON, 32857880, Private, Company D, 21 September 1944. Entered the Service from Walton, New York.

/ ANDREW TRIBES, 20807878, Private, Company C, 25 August 1944. Entered the Service from Beaumont, Texas.

/ JAMES L. WATSON, 31400395, Private, Company H, 27 September 1944. Entered the Service from Sanford, Maine.

/ SHELDON L. WOHLERTH, 35920045, Private, Company C, 22 September 1944. Entered the Service from Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

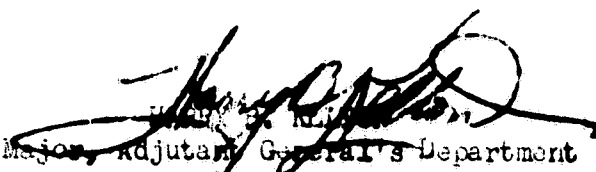
Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following named individual for wounds received as a result of enemy action in Italy.

/ DONOVAN E. GERBRICK, 35160714, Private, Company H, 143d Infantry Regiment, 16 December 1943. Entered the Service from La Porte, Indiana.

By command of Major General DAHLQUIST:

CHARLES H. OWENS
Colonel, General Staff Corps
Chief of Staff

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