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## SECTION I -- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

ALVIN R. CLEMENS, 01291590, First Lieutenant, 143d Infantry Regiment, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Fort Worth, Texas.

FRANK J. HUFFMAN, 6653224, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

DUDLEY L. HUDSON, 34606437, Staff Sergeant, Company I, 141st Infantry Regiment, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Newton, North Carolina.

ANTHONY J. ARNDT, 32301603, Staff Sergeant, Company F, 142d Infantry Regiment, 13 June 1944. Entered the Service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

RICHARD FISCHER, 32238788, Technician Fourth Grade, Cannon Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 15 June 1944. Entered the Service from Fort Lee, New Jersey.

GILBERT H. SCHMIDT, 20816040, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 27 November 1943. Entered the Service from Fort San Houston, Texas.

JO. H. WILLIAMS, 20816504, Private, Battery B, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 27 November 1943. Entered the Service from Fort Worth, Texas.

## SECTION II -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star medal is awarded to the following named individuals for heroic achievement in combat in Italy.

LAURANCE E. SIMPSON, 36319857, Technical Sergeant, Cannon Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Princeton, Illinois.

DAV J. MC GILL, 20818834, Private First Class, Company A, 111th Medical Battalion, 22 January 1944. Entered the Service from Fort Worth, Texas.

STEPHEN A. DI PIETRO, 32404397, Private First Class, Cannon Company, 143d Infantry Regiment, 1 June 1944. Entered the Service from Brooklyn, New York.

JO. H. WILLIAMS, 20816504, Private, Battery B, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 25 June 1944. Entered the Service from Fort Worth, Texas.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star medal is awarded to the following named soldier (for meritorious conduct in direct support of combat operations in Italy.)

JAMES C. HENSLY, 38036757, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 142d Infantry Regiment, 9 September 1943 to 2 February 1944. Entered the Service from Aquilla, Texas.

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SECTION III -- COMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS CONDUCT

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following named officer is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct.

JAMES D. SUMNER, 0414107, Captain, 143d Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct from 1 to 26 February 1944 in Italy. When a new commanding officer assumed command of the 3d Battalion, Captain Sumner, the battalion executive officer, cooperated in familiarizing him with the organization. Although he was often exposed to heavy enemy shell fire, his tireless efficiency and calm good judgment contributed materially to the smooth operation of the battalion during this period. While the battalion commander was reconnoitering forward areas, Captain Sumner frequently directed the battalion moves across areas blasted by artillery and mortar fire. By his voluntary visits to company commanders, he was highly instrumental in maintaining excellent morale among the front line troops. Entered the Service from Spartanburg, South Carolina.

SECTION IV -- CORRECTED AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

In each of General Orders 297, this Headquarters, as, as awards a Bronze Star medal to WILLIAM H. LA FLAM, 36220022, Private, Medical Detachment, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star medal is awarded to the following named individual for heroic achievement in combat in Italy."

"WILLIAM H. LA FLAM, 36220022, Private, Medical Detachment, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, 18 March 1944. Entered the Service from Superior, Wisconsin."

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