

242nd Signal Battalion NYARNG

Organized 12 October 1921 in the New York National Guard as Combat Train portion of Headquarters Detachment and Combat Train, 2nd Battalion, 104th Field Artillery, an element of the 27th Division, at New York, NY. In 1929, station relocated to Jamaica, NY.

Inducted into Federal Service 15 October 1940 at New York, NY. The 27th Division reorganized and redesignated 1 August 1942 as the 27th Infantry Division. Reorganized and redesignated 1 September 1942 as Headquarters Battery, 104th Field Artillery Battalion, an element of the 27th Infantry Division. Inactivated 31 December 1945 at Fort Lawton, WA.

WORLD WAR II CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION Eastern Mandates Ryukus Western Pacific

DECORATIONS

Navy Unit Commendation, Streamer Embroided "Eniwetok Atoll"

Converted, reorganized, redesignated and federally recognized 9 February 1948 as 42nd Signal Company at Jamaica, NY; concurrently relieved from assignment to 27th Infantry Division and assigned to 42d Infantry Division. Reorganized, redesignated 16 March 1959 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 242nd Signal Battalion, New York Army National Guard, Hempstead, NY and with organic elements concurrently organized, Co A and Co B at Hempstead, NY and Co C at Huntington Station, NY.

Federally mobilized for participation in Operation Graphic Hand during the federal postal workers strike, from 24 to 30 March 1970.

The Battalion was called into state active service on 19 April 1979 for Operation Golden Plum. During the New York State correction officer's strike, the 242nd served for 14 days operating Arthur Kill Correctional Facility at Staten Island, NY and was again mobilized for Hurricane Gloria in October 1985.

Reorganized 1 September 1990 with HHC stationed at Hempstead, NY, Co A (-) stationed at Hempstead, NY, Det 1 Co A stationed at Huntington Station, NY

and Co B and Co C relocated to Delaware under the command and control of the 198th Signal Battalion. Unit members were again called to state active service in December 1992 in support of the Nor'easter which hit the communities on the north shore of Long Island.

Deactivated 1 September 1993 with members of HHC, Co A (-), and Det 1 Co A reorganized into the 101 st Signal Battalion as Company C (-) stationed in Freeport, NY and Det 1 Co A stationed at Huntington Station, NY.