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I. AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order, No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order, No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named officer and enlisted man for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained aerial flights on transport missions. These missions were of a hazardous nature involving over-water flights of long distance. Their services reflect great credit on the Army Air Forces.

GEORGE W. KNIGHT, (O-810127), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 3 November 1943 to 23 January 1944. Home Address: Boca Grande, Florida.

WILLIAM H. WALKER, JR., (33221070), Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as crew chief from 2 October 1943 to 14 February 1944. Home Address: Suffolk, Virginia.

II. AWARDS OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER (AIR MEDAL):

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order, No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order, No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull 49, WD, 1942), a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster, in lieu of an additional Air Medal, is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named officers and enlisted men for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained aerial flights on transport missions. These flights were performed in combat areas where there was a possibility of enemy interception. Their services reflect great credit on the Army Air Forces.

STEPHEN J. NAWOTKA, (O-804857), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 18 September to 21 October 1943. Home Address: Buffalo, New York.

JULIAN E. NEWBAUER, (O-804862), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 5 December 1943 to 10 January 1944. Home Address: Miami Beach, Florida.

THOMAS G. PAGANO, (O-804865), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 8 December 1943 to 17 January 1944. Home Address: New York City, New York.

JAMES W. SMITH, (O-669806), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 26 November 1943 to 22 January 1944. Home Address: Houston, Texas.

ORION G. WOOD, (O-669651), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 18 December 1943 to 25 January 1944. Home Address: Levelland, Texas.

EMORY A. BECKHAM, (O-800311), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 5 February to 6 March 1944. Home Address: Dublin, Georgia.

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II. AWARDS OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER (AIR MEDAL) Contd:

SAMUEL S. GILL, JR., (O-669700), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as copilot from 27 October 1943 to 17 January 1944. Home Address: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

KENNETH M. KIDD, (O-672363), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 7 December 1943 to 10 February 1944. Home Address: Mason, Texas.

HAROLD F. MOKLER, (O-2043100), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 29 January to 5 March 1944. Home Address: South Boston, Massachusetts.

STANLEY F. PAGE, (O-744861), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 27 June to 6 August 1943. Home Address: Minneapolis, Minnesota.

KARL E. PETERS, (O-665605), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 30 May to 11 July 1943. Home Address: Faxon, Oklahoma.

HOMER B. DeWEESE, (T-60941), Flight Officer, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 4 January to 29 February 1944. Home Address: Rockwell, Texas.

RALPH W. DREWS, (36302091), Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial engineer from 27 November 1943 to 9 January 1944. Home Address: Chicago, Illinois.

HOWARD S. GAHM, (15196905), Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial engineer from 31 October 1943 to 14 January 1944. Home Address: Jackson, Ohio.

ORVAL E. ZWIEBEL, (15091911), Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial engineer from 15 November 1943 to 23 January 1944. Home Address: Lima, Ohio.

JOHN J. SZIBER, (32566320), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial radio operator from 19 November 1943 to 30 January 1944. Home Address: Sewaren, New Jersey.

COURTNEY P. DORSHIMER, (13153835), Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial radio operator from 25 January to 3 March 1944. Home Address: Collingswood, New Jersey.

ALBERT H. EPPLEY, JR., (33279321), Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial radio operator from 5 January to 3 March 1944. Home Address: Fayette, Pennsylvania.

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