

Copied from original letters pertaining to 243rd FA Bn Coat of Arms

HEADQUARTERS

243RD FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION

Combat Team Camp
Atlantic Beach, Fla.
12 October 1943

SUBJECT: Coat of Arms and Distinctive Insignia 243rd F. A. Bn.

Memo To: Commanding Officer, Batteries B, C, Hq., and
Serv 243rd F. A. Bn

1. Enclosed is a copy of the approved Coat of Arms for the 243rd F. A. Bn. which was reproduced by Pvt. Gyra of Battery A and to whom we are obligated for this favor. Same should be framed and preserved.
2. The motto "Deus Vult" (God wills it) was a rallying cry during the First Crusade by the forces of Christianity against the infidels.
3. The design for distinctive insignia for wear with the uniform was submitted to the War Dept. by N. E. Meyer, Inc., ever becomes possible it shall be done by that firm.
4. Copies of War Dept. authorization of coat of arms and distinctive insignia are both enclosed.

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Information Copy to Brty A