I FIGHTER COMMAND



MISSION

LINEAGE

I Interceptor Command constituted, 26 May 1941 Activated, 5 Jun 1941 Redesignated I Fighter Command, May 1942 Inactivated, 21 Mar 1946 Disbanded, 8 Oct 1948

STATIONS

Mitchel Field, NY, 5 Jun 1941 New York, NY, 27 Dec 1941 Mitchel Field, NY, 9 Jun 1942-21 Mar 1946

ASSIGNMENTS

First Air Force

COMMANDERS

Brig Gen John C. McDonnell, Jun 1941 Brig Gen John K. Cannon, Mar-Sep 1942 Col Elwood R. Quesada, 29 Sep 1942 Brig Gen Willis R. Taylor, 25 Nov 1942 Brig Glenn O. Barcus, Apr 1943-14 Apr 1944 Brig Gen John R. Hawkins, 26 May 1944

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

American Theater

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

On a geometrical figure formed by an octagon with invected sides azure, border gold, a pile argent debruised at base point by a mullet of the last and surmounted by a stylized falcon grasping two lightning bolts in claws, diving bend-wise and emitting speed lines, all or. (Approved, 11 Jun 1943)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Provided air defense for the east coast of the US until Aug 1944.

USAF UNIT HISTORIES

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