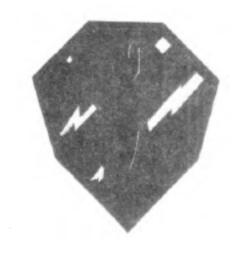
3 COMPOSITE SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

7 Observation Squadron constituted, 28 Jan 1942 Activated, 6 Feb 1942 Redesignated 7 Reconnaissance Squadron, 22 Jun 1943 Redesignated 3 Composite Squadron, 9 Oct 1943 Inactivated, 7 Nov 1945 Disbanded, 8 Oct 1948

STATIONS

Pope Field, NC, 6 Feb 1942 Lawson Field, GA, 6 Apr 1942-7 Nov 1945

ASSIGNMENTS

Office of Chief of Air Corps, 6 Feb 1942 Army Air Forces, 9 Mar 1942 (attached to Infantry School) III Reconnaissance Command, 30 Aug 1943 I (later III) Tactical Air Division, 8 Nov 1943 III Tactical Air Command, 1 Oct 1944 XIX Tactical Air Command, 25 Oct-7 Nov 1945

WEAPON SYSTEMS

L-1C, 1942-1943 L-3B, 1942-1944 L-4, 1942 O-47, 1942-1943 O-52, 1942-1943

A-17, 1943

A-20, 1943-1944

P-39, 1943-1944

B-25, 1943-1945

L-5, 1943-1945

P-40, 1944-1945

RDB-7B

P-51, 1944-1945

A-36, 1944

A-26, 1945

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

American Theater

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

On a heptagon gold, piped ultramarine blue, a key hole outlined in ultramarine blue, inclosing a red aerial bomb, point to base, and surmounting two light blue lightning flashes end-sinisterwise, points to base. (Approved, 25 Feb 1943)

MOTTO

NICKNAME

Aerial support for training ground forces.

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