# **HQ ILLINOIS AIR NATIONAL GUARD**



# **MISSION**

### LINEAGE

**HQ Illinois Air National Guard** 

# **STATIONS**

Chicago, IL

# **ASSIGNMENTS**

### **COMMANDERS**

Maj Gen Donald J. Smith Brig Gen Hal C. Tyres 29 Sep 1978

### **HONORS**

**Service Streamers** 

**Campaign Streamers** 

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers** 

**Decorations** 

**EMBLEM** 

**MOTTO** 

#### **OPERATIONS**

AIR STAFF FORMED On 1 January 1956, Headquarters, Illinois Air National Guard was organized at the old 108th Observation Squadron hangar and office building, 5400 West 63rd Street, Chicago Midway Airport.

The first Chief of Staff for this newly authorized top Headquarters was then Brigadier General Wilson V. Newhall, who was one of the original members of the initial Illinois Air Guard unit, the 108th Observation Squadron, activated in 1927.

At the end of FY92, 3,803 officers and enlisted personnel manned 41 IL ANG units, including three flying squadrons: the 108th ARS flying KC-135Es from the O'Hare ARFF in Chicago, the 169th FS at Peoria with F-16A/B ADFs, and the 170th FS at the Capital Airport in Springfield with F-16A/Bs.



Maj Gen Donald J. Smith

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