ARMOR HISTORY

The roots of the United States Armor Force trace back to December 1776, when the Continental Congress authorized the 1st Regiment Light Dragoons for George Washington's Continental Army. Since then, Armor forces have participated in every conflict our country has fought.

Known as the "Combat Arm of Decision", today's Armor force continues to shape the battlefield through reconnaissance and security, and with the application of mobile protected firepower. Armor soldiers posess physical and mental stamina under adverse conditions, and they think in an innovative manner, leveraging technologies to devise solutions to complex, dynamic challenges.

The Abrams Tank, Bradley Fighting Vehicle, Stryker Fighting Vehicle, and Mobile Gun System demonstrate the forward thrust of Armor development.

Armor soldiers stand proudly among alumni such as Lee, Stuart, Sheridan, Abrams and Patton. The history and traditions of Armor create a unique camraderie and *esprit de corps.*

Today, we continue to develop Armor Soldiers into the motivated, capable and highly trained leaders of tomorrow. When our nation means business, we put Armor on the ground!

FORGE THE THUNDERBOLT!

ARMOR IS THE COMBAT ARM OF DECISION

Armor Soldiers close with and destroy the enemy using fire, maneuver and shock effect-

Armor Soldiers direct the employment of weapon systems on the battlefield-

Armor Soldiers are the eyes and ears on the battlefield, performing reconnaissance, providing security, and engaging in unified land operations-

Armor Soldiers clarify the "fog of battle" so the commander can maneuver combat power to the decisive point-

Armor Soldiers are physically fit, mentally tough, multi-taskers, and effective communicatiors-

Armor Soldiers are valued for their warfighting skills attained through realistic training, professional education, and military service-

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ARMOR

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ABCT
Armored Brigade Combat Teams

Tank Platoon

As a Platoon Leader and Tank Commander you are charged with the employment and maneuver of 4 Tanks and 16 Soldiers.

ABCT Scout Platoon

As a Scout Platoon Leader and Bradley Commander, you will own the Reconnaissance and Security mission for your Higher Headquarters with 6 BFVs and 36 Scouts.

SBCT
Stryker Brigade Combat Teams

SBCT Scout Platoon

As a Scout Platoon Leader and Stryker Commander, you will own the Reconnaissance and Security mission for your Higher Headquarters with 6 Strykers and 36 Scouts.

IBCT
Infantry Brigade Combat Teams

IBCT Scout Platoon

As a Scout Platoon Leader in an IBCT, you will own the Reconnaissance and Security mission for your Higher Headquarters with 6 JLTVs and 24 Scouts.

#GoArmor!

Armor Branch Information for Cadets

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31 BCTs in the Army
11 ABCT, 13 IBCT, 7 SBCT

459 Total Platoons
219 Tank PLT & 240 Scout PLT

First 10 Years as an Armor Officer

Years 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

- ABOLC*
- SLC
- MLMC
- RANGER
- Platoon Leader*
- Company XO
- Specialty PLT LDR
- MCCC*
- CLC
- Battalion/Brigade Staff
- Company Commander*
- Broadening Assignment
- ILE*

***Required** *ABOLC - ARMY BASIC OFFICER LEADER COURSE* *SLC - SCOUT LEADER COURSE* *MLMC - MANEUVER LEADER MAINTENANCE COURSE*