

2ND CAVALRY REGIMENT



The distinctive unit insignia was originally approved for the 2nd Cavalry Regiment on Jan. 16, 1923. The insignia was amended to change the six-point star to an eight-point star to conform to the old dragoon star on April 28, 1924. The eight-point star insignia was worn by the dragoons, the 2nd Cavalry having been originally formed as the Second Regiment of Dragoons in 1836. The palmetto leaf represents the regiment's first action against the Seminole Indians in Florida, where the palmetto leaf grows in abundance. The 'fleur-de-lis' is for combat service in France during both World War I and World War II. The motto "Toujours Prêt" (Always Ready) expresses the spirit and élan of the regiment.