

# 16TH CAVALRY REGIMENT



The regiment was constituted in 1916 and organized with personnel from 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Cavalry. Green was the color of the facings of the Mounted Rifles, now 3<sup>rd</sup> Cavalry. The embattled partition line commemorates the first engagement of 6<sup>th</sup> Cavalry when it assaulted artillery in earthworks at Williamsburg in 1862. The shield is yellow, the Cavalry color; the blue chevron is for the old blue uniform; the 16 mullets (spur rowels) indicate both the numerical designation as well as mounted service. The distinctive unit insignia was originally approved for 16<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Oct. 28, 1958. It was amended to correct the symbolism June 23, 1960. It was redesignated for 16<sup>th</sup> Armor Aug. 22, 1968. The insignia was redesignated for 16<sup>th</sup> Cavalry May 12, 1970. It was amended to update the description and symbolism April 3, 2012.