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APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY OFFICERS IN THE ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES UPON MOBILIZATION

(Effective Upon Mobilization)

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Section I. GENERAL

1. Purpose. *a.* This regulation, effective upon mobilization; provides for the appointment of temporary commissioned officers in the Army of the United States without specification of component, for immediate active duty in the Army to—

- (1) Meet the mobilization requirements for officer personnel who cannot be obtained from the Reserve components of the Army.
- (2) Provide for battlefield appointments as second lieutenants during combat.

b. This regulation supplements procurement through the Reserve and Regular Army programs, and is to be used only when these programs are unable to provide the numbers and types of individuals needed on active duty.

c. Appointments may be made from qualified male and female persons with or without prior military service:

2. Statutory authority. In time of emergency declared by the Congress or the President, and in time of war, the President may appoint any qualified person, including a person who is not a Regular or Reserve officer, in any temporary commissioned grade in the Army without specification of component. Persons so appointed may be ordered to active duty for such periods as the President prescribes. Temporary appointments of commissioned officers in the Army are made by the President alone in grades below brigadier general, and by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, in general officer grades. The appointment of a temporary officer, unless sooner vacated, is effective during the war or emergency in which it is made and for 6 months thereafter. The President may vacate at any time a temporary appointment in a commissioned grade (10, U.S.C. 3441, 3444, and 3447 (b) and (c)).

*This regulation supersedes AR 601-50, 21 December 1960, including C 1, 9 March 1964.

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3. Authority to announce appointments and order to active duty. *a.* Except as indicated in paragraph 10*a*, commanders of major field commands who have been delegated authority to announce appointment in the USAR in accordance with AR 135-100 (hereinafter referred to as major commanders) are authorized to process applications and announce, pursuant to the direction of the Secretary of the Army, appointments as temporary commissioned officers in the Army of the United States, without component, by direction of the President, to qualified applicants residing within their jurisdiction and to order them to active duty in the Army.

b. The Chief of Personnel Operations (CO, USARPCPC) will announce appointment of individuals except those announced by major commanders.

4. Branches. *a.* Upon appointment, individuals will be assigned to basic and special branches as listed in AR 614-100. When services of the individ-

ual are desired for Staff Specialist or Civil Affairs duties, the officer will be assigned to a carrier branch and detailed for such duty. Strength ceilings assigned to carrier branches will be increased as required to compensate for these appointments.

b. Female applicants may be assigned to the following branches only: Army Nurse Corps, Dental Corps, Medical Corps, Medical Service Corps, Army Medical Specialist Corps, and Women's Army Corps.

5. Waivers. Major commanders may consider, on an individual basis, requests for waiver of education or experience and approve such waivers when the individual is otherwise qualified and possesses qualifications needed by the active military service. Except for battlefield appointments in the Medical Service Corps, no waivers will be granted individuals for appointment in any of the special branches who do not meet the educational requirements for appointment in a Reserve component of the branch concerned.

Section II. CRITERIA FOR APPOINTMENT

6. Eligibility. *a. Age.* Minimum age is 18 years. Maximum ages for grades and specialties will be as prescribed in announcement of quotas.

b. Citizenship. An applicant must be a citizen of the United States or have lawfully entered the United States for permanent residence, under applicable provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended, unless he is currently serving or has served previously in the Armed Forces of the United States, or be a citizen of an allied or friendly country except as indicated in paragraph 7*e*.

c. Educational requirement. Individual must be a graduate of a high school or school of similar educational level, or must pass the General Educational Development Test (high school level or higher). Additional educational requirements will be those prescribed for appointment in the Reserve component of the branch of service concerned. Foreign born applicants whose mother tongue is other than English will be examined to insure that their command of the English language is sufficient to enable them to understand the necessary technical information.

d. Moral requirement. Each applicant must have high moral character and personal qualifications.

e. Medical fitness requirements. Requirements are prescribed in the AR 40-501. Individuals will not undergo examination until authorized by the major commander.

7. Ineligibles. *a. Persons who are conscientious objectors.* A former conscientious objector will be required to furnish a statement expressing his abandonment of such beliefs and principles.

b. Persons who have a record of conviction by any type of military or civil court for other than a minor traffic violation. The major commander may grant waivers for convictions for minor violations which are not recurrent and which are not deemed prejudicial to performance of duty as an officer. Requests for waiver of conviction of the following offenses will be forwarded with the application to Headquarters, Department of the Army and evaluated with the National Agency Check.

- (1) Felony under local, Federal, or military law.
- (2) One which resulted in sentence to confinement in prison, stockade, or detention area, or in sentence to hard labor.
- (3) One involving moral turpitude.

c. Persons dropped from the rolls, released from active duty, or separated from any component of the Armed Forces of the United States for any of the following circumstances:

- (1) Under other than honorable conditions. All female personnel with prior service who were separated with other than an honorable discharge are ineligible.
- (2) For unsatisfactory service.
- (3) By reason of resignation in lieu of court-martial, elimination, or any form of corrective or disciplinary action.
- (4) Persons who have been separated from any component of any of the Armed Forces of the United States as a security risk or for other than security reasons while undergoing investigation.

d. Persons who are, or have been, members of any foreign or domestic organization, association, movement, group, or combination of persons advocating a subversive policy or seeking to alter the form of the Government of the United States by unconstitutional means, and whose cases have not been adjudicated favorably by the Department of the Army.

e. Persons who are in the military service of a foreign government or those employed by a foreign government, unless approval is obtained from Headquarters, Department of the Army.

f. Female persons, other than Army Nurse Corps applicants, who have any legal or other responsibility for the custody, control, care maintenance, or support of any child or children, including step-children or foster children, under 18 years of age. Female applicants applying for active duty in the Army Nurse Corps may submit a request to waive the minimum age for dependents between 15 and 18 years of age. Request for waiver must contain complete statements of the circumstances and extent of the responsibilities for dependents in this age group. Request for waiver

will be reviewed by Chief, Army Nurse Corps and is subject to approval by The Surgeon General.

g. Persons who have been ordered to report for induction by a Selective Service Board.

8. Mental requirements. Male applicants must have a recorded standard score of 110 or higher on the Army Aptitude Area GT and 115 or higher on the Officer Candidate Test (OCT). When the required scores are not recorded on qualification records, the applicant must be tested to determine his mental qualification. Exceptions may be made for—

a. Applicants for appointment in the Army Medical Service.

b. Applicants for appointment in the Chaplains Branch.

c. Applicants for appointment in the Judge Advocate General's Corps.

d. Former commissioned officers.

9. Security check. a. A National Agency Check, as defined in AR 381-130 is a prerequisite for appointment, except that in event of a hostile attack or battlefield appointment, major commanders are authorized to waive this prerequisite, but will initiate a request for a National Agency Check immediately. Pending completion of the National Agency Check, the duties of the appointee on active duty will be restricted to those which do not require access to information classified higher than CONFIDENTIAL.

b. For the purpose of this regulation, a National Agency Check is considered favorable for appointment when it contains no adverse information of the type listed in AR 604-10, or paragraph 7 of this regulation. When information is obtained from the National Agency Check or any other source which indicates that the appointment may not be clearly consistent with the interest of national security, appointment will not be tendered without the specific approval of the Department of the Army.

Section III. APPLICATIONS AND PROCESSING

10. Applications, processing, appointments, and active duty orders. a. Applications will be submitted and processed as prescribed for appointment in the Army Reserve, except that applications will be forwarded to the appropriate major commander who will take final action unless the

applicant is applying for Chaplain, Judge Advocate General's Corps, Army Medical Service, Civil Affairs, Staff Specialist, Women's Army Corps, or Military Intelligence. Excepted applications will be forwarded to Chief of Personnel Operations (CO, USARCPC), Department of the Army for

final action. Composite scores together with the recommendations of major commanders will be included.

b. Except as indicated in paragraph 12, major commanders will request assignment instructions from Chief of Personnel Operations, ATTN: (Appropriate career branch), stating full name, MOS, grade, and branch of assignment, for all individuals other than the exceptions listed in *a* above, who are found acceptable and physically fit. For

applicants who claim prior service in any of the Armed Forces of the United States, requests will include service number(s), dates, and components of all prior service.

11. Disposition of records upon receipt of properly executed oath of office. Upon receipt of properly executed oath of office, records will be disposed of in the same manner as for appointment in the Army Reserve.

Section IV. BATTLEFIELD APPOINTMENTS

12. Appointing authority. Major commanders who have been delegated authority to announce appointment in the USAR in accordance with AR 135-100 are authorized to announce temporary appointments as second lieutenants, Army of the United States, of warrant officers and enlisted personnel who are on active duty in the Army.

13. Criteria. The following criteria apply:

a. Appointments of personnel who by actual leadership performance in combat demonstrate their fitness for appointment may be announced.

b. Appointments will be made within limits of TOE and TD vacancies.

c. Individuals must be at least 18 years of age and must not have attained their 28th birthday. The commander concerned is authorized to waive the maximum age (28) only in the most exceptional cases where the individual has clearly demonstrated his ability in actual combat. The minimum age cannot be waived.

d. Individuals will not be required to appear before an examination board, and the commander concerned is authorized to waive the mental test and minimum educational requirements.

Section V. DIRECT APPOINTMENTS

14. Quotas for appointment. a. Quotas by grade, age, military occupational specialties, and branch, will be announced from time to time by Headquarters, Department of the Army upon mobilization, except as provided in *b* below.

b. In case action under *a* above is precluded by circumstances of mobilization, major commanders who have been delegated authority to announce appointment in the USAR in accordance with AR 135-100 may determine quotas to meet the needs of their command. In such event, major commanders will determine assignments for appointees without reference to Chief of Personnel Operations and needed personnel may be appointed for assignment to another major command upon request from the other command.

15. Grade determination. a. Grade for appointment will be based on the total number of years of "qualifying college education" and/or "qualifying experience," according to the following scale of minimum requirements:

<i>Grade</i>	<i>Qualifying college education and/or experience (years)</i>
Second lieutenant.....	4
First lieutenant.....	7
Captain	11
Major	16
Lieutenant colonel.....	20
Colonel	27

b. The basic requirement for credit for "qualifying college education" is a bachelor's degree awarded by an accredited college or university, which is counted as 4 years' credit regardless of the length of time in which acquired. However, up to 3 years' credit may be given for undergraduate study which did not lead to a bachelor's degree, on the basis of 1 year's service credit for each year of approximately 30 semester hours. In addition, a Bachelor of Laws degree from a law school approved by the American Bar Association is counted, with its prerequisite undergraduate studies, as 7 years' credit, and individuals applying for the Army Nurse Corps, the Army Medi-

cal Specialist Corps, and the Medical Service Corps will be considered eligible for appointment if they meet the requirements in AR 601-139 or AR 135-101, as appropriate. Credit for additional "qualifying college education" for graduate study in the specialty for which the applicant is to be appointed will be counted as follows:

- (1) Master's degree—1 year.
- (2) Doctor's degree—3 years.

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