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OBJECT NAME	Medal, Military
DATE CREATED	1940s
MATERIAL	Metal
ACCESS POINTS	army award medal Military Ribbon

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

An U.S. Army good conduct medal issued during World War Two. The ribbon is red with six white stripes. The medal is bronze colored and circular. The front of the medal has an eagle clutching a sword while sitting on a book. The words "Efficiency, Honor, Fidelity" are around the edge. There is a pin clasp on the back of the ribbon. The back of the medal has "For Good" above a star on it. Below the star is a blank place to engrave a name. Below the blank there is the word "Conduct" All this is bordered by branches.

ORIGIN

The Good Conduct Medal is awarded for exemplary behavior, efficiency, and fidelity in active Federal Military service. It is awarded on a selective basis to each soldier who distinguishes himself/herself from among his/her fellow soldiers by their exemplary conduct, efficiency, and fidelity throughout a specified period of continuous enlisted active Federal military service. Qualifying periods of service include each three years completed after 27 August 1940 or, for first award only, upon completion of at least one year upon termination of service if separated prior to three years. Also for the first award only, for those individuals who died before completing one year of active Federal military service if the death occurred in the line of duty. The immediate commander must approve the award and the award must be announced in permanent orders.

CITATION

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