



OBJECT ID	2015.14.28
OBJECT NAME	Pin
OBJECT COLLECTION	Helias Doundoulakis Collection (is part of)
OBJECT ENTITIES	Doundoulakis, Helias (owned by) Doundoulakis, Helias (is related to)
RELATED ITEMS	Portrait, 2021.24.1
ACCESS POINTS	American Legion

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

A small circular metal pin. Scalloped edge, with a blue enamel circle around that says, "American legion". This surrounds another embossed circle in the center with a star crowned with laurels. In the center of the star is a circle with dots around the circle, and in the center of that border is a circle with US in the center.

On the back of the pin: PAT. DE. 54296 / Sterling

ORIGIN

The American Legion was chartered by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization. Focusing on service to veterans, servicemembers and communities, the Legion evolved from a group of war-weary veterans of World War I into one of the most influential nonprofit groups in the United States.

Helias Doundoulakis was a proud veteran iof WWII and was a spy for the OSS. He seemed very involved in veteran's affairs, and was likely involved in the American Legion in some way.

CITATION

Pin, Helias Doundoulakis Collection, *National Hellenic Museum*, https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/. Accessed 11/25/26.