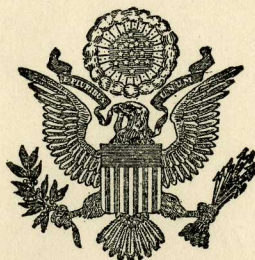


# Army of the United States




To all who shall see these presents, greeting:

Know ye, that reposing special trust and confidence in the fidelity and abilities of Pvt. 1st Cl. HOWARD L. KRATZKE, 32130795, Co. "B", 46th Engr. Regt. (GS), I do hereby appoint him  
\* Corporal (Temporary), Co. "B", 46th Engr. Regt. (GS), **ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES,**

to rank as such from the 27th day of September  
one thousand nine hundred and forty one He is therefore carefully and diligently  
to discharge the duty of † Corporal by doing and performing all manner of  
things thereunto belonging. And I do strictly charge and require all Noncommissioned Officers  
and Soldiers under his command to be obedient to his orders as Corporal  
And he is to observe and follow such orders and directions from time to time, as he shall receive  
from his Superior Officers and Noncommissioned Officers set over him, according to the rules and  
discipline of War.

Given under my hand at Camp Bowie, Texas  
this 27th day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine  
hundred and forty one

  
JOHN H. CARRUTH  
Col., 46th Engr. Regt. (GS)

Commanding

\* Insert grade, company, and regiment or branch; e. g., "Corporal, Company A, 1st Infantry." "Sergeant, Quartermaster Corps."  
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