

# 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 Sergeant HOWARD L. KRATZKE, 32130795, I do hereby appoint him

\* Staff Sgt (Temporary), Corps of Engineers, ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES,

to rank as such from the ninth day of April

one thousand nine hundred and forty-two He is therefore carefully and diligently

to discharge the duty of † Staff Sergeant 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 Staff Sergeant

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 Brownwood, Texas,

this ninth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine

hundred and forty-two.

By command of Major General SULTAN:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Frank W. Roberts".

FRANK W. ROBERTS,  
Captain, A.G.D., Asst. Adjutant General.