

479 PURSUIT SQUADRON

LINEAGE

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67 Aero Squadron organized, 12 Aug 1917
Redesignated 67 Aero Squadron (Construction), Sep 1917
Redesignated 479 Aero Squadron (Construction), Feb 1918
Demobilized, 31 Dec 1918

479 Squadron (Pursuit) constituted in the Organized Reserve, 15 Oct 1921
Initiated, 7 Feb 1922
Redesignated 479 Pursuit Squadron, 25 Jan 1923

479 Aero Squadron (Construction) reconstituted and consolidated with 479 Pursuit Squadron, 24 Jan 1931. Consolidated organization designated 479 Pursuit Squadron.

Inactivated, 2 Sep 1937
Disbanded, 31 May 1942

STATIONS

Kelly Field, TX
Camp Morrison, VA, Dec 1917
Port of Embarkation, Newport News, VA, Jan 1918
AEF, Jan 1918
Garden City, NY
Not initiated 1921-1922
San Diego, CA, 7 Feb 1922-1930
Municipal Airport, Los Angeles, CA, 28 Jan 1930-1937
Inactive 1937-1941

ASSIGNMENTS

322 Pursuit Group

WEAPON SYSTEMS

PT-1

JN-S

O-19B

COMMANDERS

Maj Arthur J. Davis, 7 Feb 1922-Oct 1922

Unknown, Oct 1923-Nov 1923

Maj Theodore C. McCauley, Nov 1923-Jan 1924

Unknown, Jan 1924-10 Jun 1924

Capt Frank B. Dudley, 10 Jun 1924-Jul 1924

Unknown, Jul 1924-Nov 1931

Capt Ed Deeds, Nov 1931-9 Feb 1933

Maj William A. Frye, 9 Feb 1933-2 Sep 1937

Inactive, 2 Sep 1937-7 Dec 1941

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Constituted in the Organized Reserve on 15 October 1921 as the 479th Squadron (Pursuit), assigned to the 322nd Pursuit Group (Third Army), and allotted to the Ninth Corps Area. Initiated on 7 February 1922 at San Diego, CA. Redesignated as the 479th Pursuit Squadron on 25 January 1923. Relieved from assignment to the Third Army 31 March 1924 and assigned to the General Headquarters Reserve. Relocated on 28 January 1930 to the Los Angeles Municipal Airport, Los Angeles, CA. There the squadron became one of a few in the Organized Reserve that possessed facilities, equipment, and aircraft. Consolidated on 24 January 1931 with the 479th Aero Squadron (a WWI unit organized 12 August 1917 at Kelly Field, TX, as the 67th Aero Squadron; redesignated as the 479th Aero Squadron [Construction] in February 1918; demobilized on 31 December 1918 at Garden City, NY; reconstituted on 24 January 1931). Supported a public demonstration of anti-aircraft capabilities by the 63rd Coast Artillery at Fort MacArthur, CA, in June 1933. Conducted summer training at Clover Field, CA; Rockwell Field,

CA; and Long Beach Municipal Airport. Inactivated on 2 September 1937 at Los Angeles by relief of personnel. Status: Disbanded on 31 May 1942.

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Sources

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