



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND  
1600 SPEARHEAD DIVISION AVENUE, DEPARTMENT 480  
FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5408

PERMANENT ORDER 299-18

26 October 2011

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 503d  
Infantry Regiment

Company A, 2d Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment

Company B, 2d Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment

Company C, 2d Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment

Company D, 2d Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment

Company F, 173d Support Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Presidential Unit Citation

Period of service: 5 June 2007 to 10 November 2007

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-13

Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 5 June 2007 to 10 November 2007, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment and its subordinate units assigned as Task Force Rock displayed conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while conducting combat operations in the most rugged, austere and volatile areas of Kunar and Southern Nuristan Provinces in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Task Force Rock's professionalism and dedication to the mission under fire went beyond the call of duty and contributed greatly to the success of Task Force Bayonet. The actions of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment and its subordinate units are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon the unit, the 173d Airborne Brigade Combat Team and the United States Army.

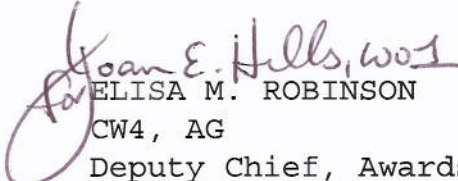
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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

  
for ELISA M. ROBINSON  
CW4, AG

Deputy Chief, Awards and  
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