588th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (HEAVY)

MISSION

LINEAGE

588th Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) constituted, 29 Jan 1943 Activated, 16 Feb 1943 Inactivated, 1 Apr 1944

STATIONS

Ephrata AAB, WA, 16 Feb 1943 Ardmore AAFId, OK, 25 Oct 1943-1 Apr 1944

ASSIGNMENTS

395th Bombardment Group, 16 Feb 1943-1 Apr 1944

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-17

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

American Theater

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

None

EMBLEM

Over and through a light turquoise blue disc, border yellow orange, piped ultramarine blue, a caricatured beaver proper, wearing yellow flight boots and gloves, orange radio ear phones with aerial attached, end secured to tail, and riding a large red aerial bomb falling to sinister

base, guided by orange stick held in forepaws of beaver, all in front of a large white clo	ud
formation, and emitting black speed lines to rear. (Approved, 27 Oct 1943)	

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Operational training unit, Mar-Oct 1943; replacement training, Oct 1943-Apr 1944.

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