

I FIGHTER COMMAND



MISSION

Provided air defense for the east coast of the US until Aug 1944.

LINEAGE¹

I Interceptor Command constituted, 26 May 1941

Activated, 5 Jun 1941

Redesignated I Fighter Command, May 1942

Inactivated, 21 Mar 1946

Disbanded, 8 Oct 1948

STATIONS

Mitchel Field, New York, 5 Jun 1941

New York, New York, 27 Dec 1941

Mitchel Field, New York, 9 Jun 1942-21 Mar 1946

ASSIGNMENTS

First Air Force

COMMANDERS

Brig Gen John C. McDonnell, Jun 1941

Brig Gen John K. Cannon, Mar-Sep 1942

Col Elwood R. Quesada, 29 Sep 1942

¹ Air Force Historical Research Agency. U.S. Air Force. Maxwell AFB, Alabama.

Brig Gen Willis R. Taylor, 25 Nov 1942
Brig Glenn O. Barcus, Apr 1943-14 Apr 1944
Brig Gen John R. Hawkins, 26 May 1944

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

American Theater

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

On a geometrical figure formed by an octagon with inverted sides azure, border gold, a pile argent debruised at base point by a mullet of the last and surmounted by a stylized falcon grasping two lightning bolts in claws, diving bend-wise and emitting speed lines, all or.
(Approved, 11 Jun 1943)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS