

4 COMBAT CAMERA SQUADRON



MISSION

The 4th CTCS mission is unique and highly specialized. The Airmen of the 4th CTCS are an operational asset designed to assist in shaping the information landscape, and to help senior Department of Defense officials, combatant commanders, and joint leaders understand, visualize, describe, and direct forces by providing high-quality battlefield video and still imagery. The unit supports wartime operations, worldwide crises, contingencies, joint exercises and humanitarian operations.

LINEAGE

4 AAF Combat Camera Unit constituted, 4 Feb 1943
Activated, 12 Feb 1943
Inactivated, 2 Dec 1945
Redesignated 4 Combat Camera Squadron, 7 Mar 1996
Activated in the Reserve, 31 Mar 1996
Inactivated, 31 Jul 2015
Activated, 3 Mar 2017

STATIONS

Culver City, CA, 12 Feb-25 Oct 1943
Gosfield, England, 18 Nov 1943
Marks Hall, England, 4 Dec 1943
Ascot (Sunninghill Park), England, 17 Dec 1943
St. Savuer Lendelin, France, 5 Aug 1944

Force, France, 23 Aug 1944
Chantilly, France, 11 Sep 1944
Bad Kissingen, Germany, 5 Jun 1945
Camp Myles Standish, MA, 1-2 Dec 1945
March AFB (later, March ARB), CA, 31 Mar 1996
Joint Base Charleston, SC, 3 Mar 2017

ASSIGNMENTS

1 Motion Picture Unit, 12 Feb 1943
Ninth Air Force, 17 Nov 1943-21 Nov 1945
Unkn, 21 Nov-2 Dec 1945
452 Support Group, 31 Mar 1996
604 Regional Support Group, 1 Jan 2002
452 Mission Support Group, 1 Oct 2010
315 Operations Group, 3 Mar 2017

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Gregg E. Wilcox

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

World War II
Air Offensive, Europe
Normandy
Northern France
Rhineland
Ardennes-Alsace
Central Europe

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards
1 Sep 1997-31 Aug 1999
2 Sep 2003-1 Sep 2005
2 Sep 2006-1 Sep 2008

EMBLEM



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4 Combat Camera Squadron emblem approved, 17 Jun 1998

MOTTO

Eyes of the Eagle

OPERATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE UNIT HISTORIES

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