

452 OPERATIONS SUPPORT SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

452 Operations Support Squadron constituted and activated in the Reserve, 1 Aug 1992
Redesignated 452 Operations Support Flight, 1 Oct 1992
Redesignated 452 Operations Support Squadron, 15 Mar 1995

STATIONS

March AFB (later, March ARB), CA, 1 Aug 1992

ASSIGNMENTS

452 Operations Group, 1 Aug 1992

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Nick R. McKenzie, 13 Dec 2014
Lt Col Thomasmore J. Episcoio, 25 Jun 2016

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Aug 1992-30 Jun 1993

1 Sep 1995-31 Aug 1996

1 Sep 1997-31 Aug 1999

1 Oct 2002-30 Sep 2004

1 Oct 2004-30 Sep 2006

1 Oct 2006-30 Sep 2008

1 Oct 2008-30 Sep 2010

EMBLEM

On a disc Celeste, encircling a globe set on its axis to dexter Azure, gridlined Gules, surmounted in base by a pair of wings displayed charged with a propeller palewise Argent, fimbriated Sable, centered thereon a hurt fimbriated of the fourth, charged with a mullet of the like, pierced by a torteau, ten mullets of the fourth, all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "452D OPERATIONS SUPPORT SQ" in Yellow letters. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "VARIA PERITIA UNITA MISSIO" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The Army Air Service roundel represents the rich history of March Field, the home of the Squadron when it was established. The propeller and wings symbolize the Squadron's lineage, adopted from the 452d Operations Group dating back to 1943 when the 452d Bombardment Group (Heavy) was part of the Army Air Corps. The stars, symbolizing the ten current sections and responsibilities of the Squadron, are derived from stars on the emblem of the 452d Air Mobility Wing. The globe represents the Squadron's responsibility to support missions around the world. The wings, which are tilted upward with the roundel at its core supporting the globe among a constellation of stars, symbolize that the Squadron draws strength from its heritage to support the mission of today with a vision towards the future. (Approved, 22 Feb 2013)

MOTTO

VARIO PERTIA UNITA MISSIO--Varied in Expertise, United in Mission

OPERATIONS

USAF Unit Histories

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Sources

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