

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
3069	10:81-1 (5th through 8th words of last sentence). 10:166(a) (words of last sentence before proviso). 10:166(b).	June 28, 1950, ch. 383, § 307 (5th through 8th words of last sentence), 64 Stat. 270. Apr. 16, 1947, ch. 38 § 101(a) (words of last sentence before proviso), 101(b), 61 Stat. 41.

The words “officers of the Regular Army in that corps” are substituted for the words “officers permanently commissioned in such Army Nurse Corps”. The words “but not for more than” are substituted for the words “for a term not to exceed”, in 10:166(a). The words “vacating her regular grade” are substituted for the words “vacation of her permanent grade”.

AMENDMENTS

2002—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 107-314 substituted “major general” for “brigadier general”.

1996—Pub. L. 104-201, § 502(a)(3), inserted “; grade” at end of section catchline.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 104-201, § 502(a)(1), substituted “lieutenant colonel” for “major” in first sentence, inserted “An appointee who holds a lower regular grade shall be appointed in the regular grade of brigadier general.” after first sentence, and inserted “to the same position” before period at end of last sentence.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 104-201, § 502(a)(2), substituted “lieutenant colonel” for “major”.

1967—Pub. L. 90-130 divided existing provisions into subssecs. (a), (b), and (c), made minor changes in phraseology, inserted provision for the appointment and service of an assistant chief, struck out limitation restricting membership in the Corps to grades of second lieutenant through colonel, and struck out provision entitling the Chief to the temporary grade of colonel while serving as Chief.

1966—Pub. L. 89-609 combined third and fourth sentences, substituting “, and” for period at end of third sentence and introductory word “She” to fourth sentence, and substituted “the regular grade held, the Chief” for “her regular grade, she” in fifth sentence.

1962—Pub. L. 87-649 struck out provisions which authorized the pay and allowances of a colonel for Chief of the Army Nurse Corps.

1957—Pub. L. 85-155 substituted “second lieutenant through colonel” for “second lieutenant through lieutenant colonel”, “major” for “captain”, and “entitled to the temporary grade and the pay and allowances of a colonel while so serving and ranks above all other colonels in that corps” for “entitled to the rank, pay and allowances of a colonel so serving”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1962 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 87-649 effective Nov. 1, 1962, see section 15 of Pub. L. 87-649, set out as an Effective Date note preceding section 101 of Title 37, Pay and Allowances of the Uniformed Services.

SHORT TITLE

Section 105 of title I of Pub. L. 85-155 provided that: “This title [amending this section and sections 3070, 3206, 3207, 3288, 3291, 3296 to 3299, 3304, 3305, 3888, 3915, 3916, 3927, and 3991 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Army Nurse and Medical Specialist Act of 1957.’”

SAVINGS PROVISION

Section 104 of Pub. L. 85-155 provided that:

“(a) This Act [amending this section and sections 3070, 3206, 3207, 3288, 3291, 3296 to 3299, 3304, 3305, 3888, 3915, 3916, 3927, 3991, 5140, 5444, 5449, 5702, 5707, 5708, 5753, 5762, 5773, 5775, 5776, 5782, 6377 to 6379, 6381, 6388, 6395, 6396, 8206, 8207, 8212, 8285 to 8288, 8297, 8298 to 8301, 8303, 8305, 8888, 8915, 8927 and 8991 of this title, and repealing sections 3881, 3882, 3887, 3912, 3928, 8291, 8304, 8881, 8882,

8887, 8912 and 8928 of this title] does not affect the appointment of an officer of the Army Nurse Corps, Regular Army, or the Army Medical Specialist Corps, Regular Army, on the active list on the effective date of this Act [Aug. 21, 1957].

“(b) This Act does not affect the retired status or retired pay of a person retired under section 108, Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947, as amended, or any other law.

“(c) An officer of the Army Nurse Corps, Regular Army, or the Army Medical Specialist Corps, Regular Army, on the active list on the effective date of this Act [Aug. 21, 1957] does not lose any years of service creditable to her on that date for promotion, computation of basic pay, or other purposes, by the enactment of this Act.

“(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an officer of the Army Nurse Corps, Regular Army, or the Army Medical Specialist Corps, Regular Army, who is on a recommended list for promotion to a higher regular grade on the effective date of this Act [Aug. 21, 1957] may, if nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate, be promoted to that grade.

“(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an officer of the Army Nurse Corps, Regular Army, or the Army Medical Specialist Corps, Regular Army, who, on the effective date of this Act [Aug. 21, 1957], has been nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate for appointment to any regular grade, may be appointed in that grade.”

AUTHORITY TO SUSPEND MANDATORY RETIREMENT, DISCHARGE, SEPARATION, OR TRANSFER FROM ACTIVE STATUS

Section 4(a) of Pub. L. 90-130 authorized the Secretary of the Army to suspend the operation of any provision of law relating to the mandatory retirement, discharge, separation, or transfer from an active status of an officer of the Army Nurse Corps, Army Medical Specialist Corps, or Woman’s Army Corps for a period of five years following Nov. 8, 1967.

AUTHORITY OF MILITARY DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES TO CONVENE BOARDS TO RECOMMEND DEFERMENT OF RETIREMENT OR SEPARATION OF NURSES

Section 4(f) of Pub. L. 90-130, Nov. 8, 1967, 81 Stat. 384, authorized until July 1, 1972, when the needs of the service required, the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, or the Secretary of the Air Force to convene annually boards of officers to consider officers of the Army Nurse Corps, officers of the Navy Nurse Corps, or Air Force nurses, respectively, who otherwise would be required to be retired or separated under this Act within the calendar or fiscal year in which the board is convened. Upon the recommendation of such a board, the Secretary concerned could defer the separation or retirement of such an officer for a term of not more than five years, unless recommended for further deferment by a subsequent board of officers, and in any case not beyond the month following her attaining age sixty or July 1, 1976, whichever was earlier.

§ 3070. Army Medical Specialist Corps: organization; Chief and assistant chiefs

(a) The Army Medical Specialist Corps consists of the Chief and assistant chiefs of that corps, other officers in grades prescribed by the Secretary of the Army, and the following sections:

- (1) The Dietitian Section.
- (2) The Physical Therapist Section.
- (3) The Occupational Therapist Section.
- (4) The Physician Assistant Section.
- (5) The Chiropractic Section.

(b) The Secretary of the Army shall appoint the Chief from the officers of the Regular Army in that corps whose regular grade is above cap-

tain and who are recommended by the Surgeon General. The Chief serves during the pleasure of the Secretary, but not for more than four years, and may not be reappointed.

(c) The Surgeon General shall appoint up to five assistant chiefs from officers of the Regular Army in that corps whose regular grade is above captain. Each assistant chief is the chief of a section of that corps. An assistant chief serves during the pleasure of the Surgeon General, but not for more than four years, and may not be reappointed to the same position.

(d) Chiropractors who are qualified under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Army may be appointed as commissioned officers in the Chiropractic Section of the Army Medical Specialist Corps.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 169; Pub. L. 85-155, title I, §101(2), Aug. 21, 1957, 71 Stat. 375; Pub. L. 87-649, §6(b)(2), (3), Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 494; Pub. L. 89-609, §1(2), (3), Sept. 30, 1966, 80 Stat. 852; Pub. L. 90-130, §1(8)(B), Nov. 8, 1967, 81 Stat. 374; Pub. L. 102-190, div. A, title V, §551(a), Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1370; Pub. L. 102-484, div. A, title V, §505(a), Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2404.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
3070(a)	10:81-1 (9th through 14th words of last sentence). 10:166a(a) (less 2d sentence; and less last sentence, as applicable to strength).	June 28, 1950, ch. 383, §307 (9th through 14th words of last sentence), 64 Stat. 270. Apr. 16, 1947, ch. 38, §102(a) (less 2d sentence; and less last sentence, as applicable to strength), 102(b), 61 Stat. 42.
3070(b)	10:166a(b).	

In subsection (a), 10:166a(a) (1st 20 words of 1st sentence) is omitted as superseded by section 3067 of this title, which establishes the Women's Medical Specialist Corps in the Army Medical Service. 10:166a(a) (last 16 words of 1st sentence) is omitted as superseded by section 3012(e) of this title, which authorizes the Secretary of the Army to prescribe the duties of members of the Army.

In subsection (b), the words "officers of the Regular Army in that corps" are substituted for the words "officers permanently commissioned in such Women's Medical Specialist Corps". The words "vacating her regular grade" are substituted for the words "vacation of her permanent grade".

AMENDMENTS

1992—Subsec. (a)(5). Pub. L. 102-484, §505(a)(1), added par. (5).

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 102-484, §505(a)(2), substituted "up to five assistant chiefs" for "four assistant chiefs".

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 102-484, §505(a)(3), added subsec. (d).

1991—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-190, §551(a)(1), (2), substituted "sections:" for "sections—", substituted "The" for "the" and a period for the concluding semicolon in par. (1), substituted "The" for "the" and a period for "; and" in par. (2), substituted "The" for "the" in par. (3), and added par. (4).

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 102-190, §551(a)(3), substituted "four assistant chiefs" for "three assistant chiefs" in first sentence.

1967—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 90-130 removed limitation restricting membership in the Corps to officers in grades of second lieutenant through colonel and inserted provisions authorizing the Secretary of the Army to prescribe the grades of officers comprising the Corps.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 90-130 struck out provision entitling the Chief to the temporary grade of colonel while serving, ranking above all other colonels in the Corps.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 90-130 struck out provisions entitling each assistant chief to the temporary grade of lieutenant colonel while so serving, ranking above all other lieutenant colonels in the section.

1966—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 89-609, §1(2), combined second and third sentences, substituting ", and" for period at end of second sentence and introductory word "She" to third sentence, and substituted "the regular grade held, the Chief" for "her regular grade, she" in fourth sentence.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 89-609, §1(3), combined second and third sentences, substituting ", and" for period at end of second sentence and introductory word "She" to third sentence, substituted "An assistant chief" for "She" in fourth sentence, and in fifth sentence substituted "the regular grade held" and "in the section" for "her regular grade" and "in her section", respectively, and struck out "and the pay and allowances" before "of a lieutenant colonel".

1962—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 87-649, §6(b)(2), struck out provisions which authorized the pay and allowances of a colonel for Chief of the Army Medical Specialist Corps.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 87-649, §6(b)(3), struck out provisions which authorized the pay and allowances of a lieutenant colonel for each assistant chief of the Army Medical Specialist Corps.

1957—Pub. L. 85-155 substituted "Army Medical Specialist Corps" for "Women's Medical Specialist Corps" in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 85-155 substituted "Army Medical Specialist Corps" for "Women's Medical Specialist Corps" and "colonel" for "major".

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 85-155 struck out provisions which related to assistant chiefs which are now covered by subsec. (c) of this section, substituted "Army Medical Specialist Corps" for "Women's Medical Specialist Corps", required the chief to be above the regular grade of captain, prohibited service for more than four years and reappointment, and provided that the chief shall rank above all other colonels in the corps.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 85-155 added subsec. (c). Former provisions which related to assistant chiefs were contained in subsec. (b) of this section.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1962 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 87-649 effective on Nov. 1, 1962, see section 15 of Pub. L. 87-649, set out as an Effective Date note preceding section 101 of Title 37, Pay and Allowances of the Uniformed Services.

REGULATIONS

Section 505(d) of Pub. L. 102-484 provided that: "The regulations required to be prescribed by the amendments made by this section [enacting section 5139 of this title and amending this section and section 8067 of this title] shall be prescribed not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 23, 1992]."

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT CHIEF

Section 551(b) of Pub. L. 102-190 provided that: "Notwithstanding the requirement in subsection (c) of section 3070 of title 10, United States Code, as amended by subsection (a), with respect to the appointment of officers of the Regular Army as chiefs of sections of the Army Medical Specialist Corps, a warrant officer of the Army who is appointed as a reserve commissioned officer and assigned to the Army Medical Specialist Corps for service in the Physician Assistant Section of that Corps during the five-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 5, 1991] may be appointed as an assistant chief of that Corps and chief of the Physician Assistant Section."

RETIREMENT OF OFFICERS SERVING IN PHYSICIAN
ASSISTANT SECTION

Section 551(c) of Pub. L. 102-190 provided that: “A member of the Army who on the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 5, 1991] is a warrant officer serving on active duty (other than for training) as a physician assistant and who is subsequently appointed as a commissioned officer in, or is assigned to, the Physician Assistant Section of the Army Medical Specialist Corps may elect at the time of the officer’s retirement after 20 years or more of active service that could be credited to the officer under section 511 of the Career Compensation Act of 1949, as amended [act Oct. 12, 1949, ch. 681, title V, §511, 63 Stat. 829, as amended, formerly set out as a note under section 580 of this title]—

“(1) to revert to the highest warrant officer grade in which the officer served on active duty (other than for training) satisfactorily (as determined by the Secretary of the Army) for a period of more than 30 days; and

“(2) to be retired under chapter 65 of title 10, United States Code.”

CONSTRUCTIVE CREDIT FOR DETERMINATION OF GRADE
AND RANK OF OFFICERS IN ARMY MEDICAL SPECIALIST
CORPS

Section 551(d) of Pub. L. 102-190 provided that:

“(1) For the purpose of determining the grade and rank within grade of a person who is appointed as a commissioned officer in the Army Medical Specialist Corps for service in the Physician Assistant Section, or who is assigned to the Army Medical Specialist Corps for service as a physician assistant, and who on the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 5, 1991] is a warrant officer and a physician assistant on active duty or in an active reserve status, the Secretary of the Army shall credit that person at the time of such appointment with any service on active duty, or in an active reserve status, as a physician assistant performed as a member of the Armed Forces before that appointment. “(2) The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe regulations to carry out this subsection.”

AUTHORITY TO SUSPEND MANDATORY RETIREMENT, DIS-
CHARGE, SEPARATION, OR TRANSFER FROM ACTIVE
STATUS

Section 4(a) of Pub. L. 90-130 authorized Secretary of the Army to suspend operation of any provision of law relating to mandatory retirement, discharge, separation, or transfer from an active status of an officer of Army Nurse Corps, Army Medical Specialist Corps, or Woman’s Army Corps for a period of five years following Nov. 8, 1967.

**[§ 3071. Repealed. Pub. L. 95-485, title VIII,
§ 820(b), Oct. 20, 1978, 92 Stat. 1627]**

Section, acts Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 169; Sept. 7, 1962, Pub. L. 87-649, §6(a)(2), (3), 76 Stat. 494; Nov. 8, 1967, Pub. L. 90-130, §1(8)(C), 81 Stat. 374, prescribed composition of Women’s Army Corps and provided for a Director, a Deputy Director, and other positions for Women’s Army Corps.

§ 3072. Judge Advocate General’s Corps

There is a Judge Advocate General’s Corps in the Army. The Judge Advocate General’s Corps consists of—

- (1) the Judge Advocate General;
- (2) the Assistant Judge Advocate General;
- (3) three officers in the grade of brigadier general;
- (4) commissioned officers of the Regular Army appointed therein; and
- (5) other members of the Army assigned thereto by the Secretary of the Army.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 169.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
3072	10:61-1 (1st sentence, less applicability to strength).	June 28, 1950, ch. 383, §308 (1st sentence, less applicability to strength), 64 Stat. 270.

The words “authorized by sections 21f and 21h, respectively, of this title” are omitted as surplusage. The word “grade” is substituted for the word “rank”. The words “but the Secretary shall not assign to the Judge Advocate General’s Corps any officer who has been appointed and commissioned in some other special branch or in the Regular Army without specification of branch” are omitted as covered by section 3064 of this title.

§ 3073. Chaplains

There are chaplains in the Army. The Chaplains include—

- (1) the Chief of Chaplains;
- (2) commissioned officers of the Regular Army appointed as chaplains; and
- (3) other officers of the Army appointed as chaplains in the Army.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 170.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
3073	10:231a.	June 28, 1950, ch. 383, §309, 64 Stat. 270.

The words “authorized by section 21f of this title”, “as now or hereafter provided by law”, and “and commissioned * * * or in any component thereof” are omitted as surplusage.

§ 3074. Commands: territorial organization; engineer tactical units

(a) Except as otherwise prescribed by law or by the Secretary of Defense, the Army shall be divided into such commands, forces, and organizations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Army.

(b) For Army purposes, the United States, the Commonwealths and possessions, and other places in which the Army is stationed or is operating may be divided into such areas as may be directed by the Secretary. Officers of the Army may be assigned to command Army activities, installations, and personnel in those areas. In the discharge of the Army’s functions or other functions authorized by law, officers so assigned have the duties and powers prescribed by the Secretary.

(c) Such part of the Corps of Engineers as the President directs shall be formed into tactical units organized as he prescribes.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 170; Pub. L. 99-433, title V, §503, Oct. 1, 1986, 100 Stat. 1042; Pub. L. 109-163, div. A, title X, §1057(a)(6), Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3441.)