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1978—Pub. L. 95-485, title VIII, § 820(d)(5), Oct. 20, 1978, 92 Stat. 1627, struck out item 3311 “Officers: female; limitations on appointment”.

1967—Pub. L. 90-130, § 1(10)(C), (E), Nov. 8, 1967, 81 Stat. 375, struck out item 3304 “Commissioned officers; Army Nurse Corps and Army Medical Specialist: promotion to lieutenant colonel or colonel”, and struck out “other than officers in Army Nurse Corps and Army Medical Specialist Corps” after “Commissioned officers” in item 3305.

1958—Pub. L. 85-861, § 1(79)(B), Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1468, added item 3314.

1957—Pub. L. 85-155, title I, § 101(9), (15), (17), Aug. 21, 1957, 71 Stat. 377, 379, substituted “Army Medical Specialist Corps” for “Women’s Medical Specialist Corps” in item 3291, “Army Medical Specialist” for “Women’s Medical Specialist Corps” and “promotion to lieutenant colonel or colonel” for “promotion to first lieutenant, captain, major, or lieutenant colonel” in item 3304, and “Commissioned officers other than officers in Army Nurse Corps and Army Medical Specialist Corps” for “Commissioned officers” in item 3305.

§ 7151. Commissioned officer grades

The commissioned grades in the Regular Army are:

- (1) Major general.
- (2) Brigadier general.
- (3) Colonel.
- (4) Lieutenant colonel.
- (5) Major.
- (6) Captain.
- (7) First lieutenant.
- (8) Second lieutenant.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 181, § 3281; renumbered § 7151, Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, § 808(b)(3), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1838.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
3281	10:506(a) (last 24 words).	Aug. 7, 1947, ch. 512, § 502(a) (last 24 words), 61 Stat. 884.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-232 renumbered section 3281 of this title as this section.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 115-232 effective Feb. 1, 2019, with provision for the coordination of amendments and special rule for certain redesignations, see section 800 of Pub. L. 115-232, set out as a note preceding section 3001 of this title.

§ 7152. General officers: title of office

An officer holding an appointment as a general officer in the Regular Army may be called a general officer in the Regular Army. In addition, a general officer of the Regular Army in the Medical Corps, Dental Corps, Veterinary Corps, Judge Advocate General’s Corps, or the Chaplains, may be called a general officer of that branch.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 181, § 3282; renumbered § 7152, Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, § 808(b)(3), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1838.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
3282	10:506(b) (less 2d sentence).	Aug. 7, 1947, ch. 512, § 502(b) (less 2d sentence), 61 Stat. 884.

The words “may be called” are substituted for the words “shall be known as” and “may be specifically referred to”. The words “of that branch” are substituted for the enumeration of branches.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-232 renumbered section 3282 of this title as this section.

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Amendment by Pub. L. 115-232 effective Feb. 1, 2019, with provision for the coordination of amendments and special rule for certain redesignations, see section 800 of Pub. L. 115-232, set out as a note preceding section 3001 of this title.

§ 7153. Commissioned officers: appointment without specification of branch; transfer between branches

(a) Appointments in commissioned grades in the Regular Army shall be made without specification of branch except in each of the special branches and as professors or director of admissions of the United States Military Academy.

(b) Commissioned officers appointed in the Regular Army without specification of branch shall be assigned, and may be transferred and reassigned, by the Secretary of the Army to branches other than the special branches, according to their professional qualifications and the needs of the Army.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 181, § 3283; Pub. L. 85-600, § 1(4), Aug. 6, 1958, 72 Stat. 522; Pub. L. 95-485, title VIII, § 820(d)(1), Oct. 20, 1978, 92 Stat.