of the Dental Corps and dental auxiliary strength, appointments, advancement, training assignments, and transfer of dental personnel; and

(3) serve as the adviser to the Office of the Surgeon General on all matters relating directly to dentistry.

(d) Under such regulations as the Secretary of the Army may prescribe, dental and dental auxiliary personnel throughout the Army shall be organized into units commanded by a designated commissioned officer of the Army Medical Department. Such officer will be directly responsible to the commander of installations, organizations, and activities for all professional and technical matters and such administrative matters as may be prescribed by regulation.

(Added Pub. L. 95-485, title VIII, §805(b)(1), Oct. 20, 1978, 92 Stat. 1621, §3081; amended Pub. L. 99-433, title V, §502(f)(3), Oct. 1, 1986, 100 Stat. 1042; renumbered §7081, Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, §808(a), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1838; Pub. L. 116-92, div. A, title VII, §714, Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 1446.)

### References in Text

Section 3039 of this title, referred to in subsec. (a), was repealed by Pub. L. 114-328, div. A, title V, \$502(n)(1), Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2103.

# PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 7081 was renumbered section 8581 of this title.

### Amendments

2019—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 116–92 substituted "commissioned officer of the Army Medical Department" for "Dental Corps Officer".

2018-Pub. L. 115-232 renumbered section 3081 of this title as this section.

1986—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99–433 substituted ''section 3039'' for ''section 3040''.

#### 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.

## [§ 7082. Renumbered § 8582]

### § 7083. Public Affairs Specialty

There is a career field in the Army known as the Public Affairs Specialty. Members of the Army with the Public Affairs Specialty are—

(1) the Chief of Public Affairs;

(2) commissioned officers of the Army in the grade of major or above who are selected and specifically educated, trained, and experienced to perform as professional public affairs officers for the remainder of their careers; and

(3) other members of the Army assigned to public affairs positions by the Secretary of the Army.

(Added Pub. L. 105-85, div. A, title V, §596(a), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1765, §3083; renumbered §7083, Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, §808(a), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1838.)

### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section  $7083\ {\rm was}$  renumbered section 8583 of this title.

# Amendments

 $2018\mbox{--}Pub.$  L. 115–232 renumbered section 3083 of this title as this section.

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

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# §7084. Chief of Veterinary Corps

The Chief of the Veterinary Corps of the Army shall be appointed from among officers of the Veterinary Corps.

(Added Pub. L. 107-314, div. A, title V, §504(b)(1), Dec. 2, 2002, 116 Stat. 2531, §3084; amended Pub. L. 108-136, div. A, title V, §502(a), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1456; Pub. L. 109-163, div. A, title X, §1056(c)(11), Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3440; Pub. L. 114-328, div. A, title V, §502(r)(1), (2), Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2104; Pub. L. 115-91, div. A, title V, §506(b), Dec. 12, 2017, 131 Stat. 1374; renumbered §7084, Pub. L. 115-232, div. A, title VIII, §808(a), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 1838.)

### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Prior sections 7084 to 7088 were renumbered sections 8584 to 8588 of this title, respectively.

#### Amendments

 $2018\mbox{--}\mbox{Pub. L}.$  115–232 renumbered section 3084 of this title as this section.

2017—Pub. L. 115–91 struck out at end "An officer appointed to that position who holds a lower grade shall be appointed in the grade of brigadier general."

2016—Pub. L. 114-328 amended section catchline generally, substituting "Chief of Veterinary Corps" for "Chief of Veterinary Corps: grade", and struck out sec-

ond sentence of text which read as follows: "The Chief of the Veterinary Corps serves in the grade of brigadier general."

2006—Pub. L. 109-163 substituted colon for semicolon in section catchline.

2003—Pub. L. 108–136 inserted "shall be appointed from among officers of the Veterinary Corps. The Chief of the Veterinary Corps" after "Army".

### 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.

## Effective Date of 2003 Amendment

Pub. L. 108–136, div. A, title V, §502(b), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1456, provided that: "The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply to appointments of the Chief of the Veterinary Corps of the Army that are made on or after the date of the enactment of this Act [Nov. 24, 2003]."

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