

Focus Group 1

Title: Wear of the Eagle Rising

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Issue:

With the change made to the wearing of the Branch insignia, the Eagle Rising insignia has disappeared from the Warrant Officer Uniform. A proposal was made to preserve it by having Warrant Officers wear it on the breast pocket of their uniform, but the Army G1 did not accept that idea.

Background

- **For 74 years, since then Chief of Staff General John J. Pershing approved it in November 1920, the Eagle Rising has been the only consistent symbol of the Army Warrant Officer.**
- **Tradition is an important part of the Army and its various units, branches, classes of personnel, and other divisions.**
- **The Eagle Rising is the traditional identifier of the Army Warrant Officer.**

Background

- **ATLDP WARRANT OFFICER STUDY**
 - **63 recommendations**
 - **Integration of WO Corp into Officer Corp**
 - **Change to branch insignia**
 - **9 Jul 04; implemented**
- **Current Army Transformation equal ONE ARMY**
- **There is no definitive information that this recommendation was actually made to the Army G1 as stated in the issue.**

Recommendation

- 1. From a traditional, custom, and historical perspective, the Association should consider readdressing this issue to the Army G1**
- 2. However, without clear definitive information recommend that this issue be tabled until it is determined how this issue was presented to the G1.**

Questions?