



To all who shall see these presents, greeting:  
Know Ye, that reposing special trust and confidence in the patriotism, valor, fidelity  
and abilities of John Maclain Reeves  
I do appoint him Second Lieutenant, Air Corps in the

**Army of the United States**

such appointment to date from the thirteenth day of September  
nineteen hundred and forty-one. He is therefore carefully and diligently to  
discharge the duty of the office to which he is appointed by doing and performing all  
manner of things thereunto belonging.

He will enter upon active duty under this commission only when specifically  
ordered to such active duty by competent authority.

And I do strictly charge and require all Officers and Soldiers under his command  
when he shall be employed on active duty, to be obedient to his orders as an officer of his  
grade and position. And he is to observe and follow such orders and directions, from time  
to time, as he shall receive from me, or the future President of the United States of  
America, or the General or other Superior Officers set over him, according to the rules  
and discipline of War.

This Commission evidences an appointment in the Army of the United States under  
the provisions of section 37, National Defense Act, as amended, and is to continue in  
force for a period of five years from the date above specified, and during the pleasure  
of the President of the United States, for the time being.

Done at the City of Washington, this thirteenth day of September  
in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty-one, and of the  
Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and sixty-sixth.

By the President:

  
Adjutant General.