

96TH COMPOSITE SQUADRON, GLR-OH-096



Description: A shield trimmed Or and Sable, a bend Azure and Gules, Sable and Argent globe at dexter chief, Brown hound sejant affronte, Or “96TH” at dexter base, Argent scroll beneath base, Sable inscription “READY DAY OR NIGHT”.

Significance: As the 96th was one of the key ground Search and Rescue (SAR) units in Ohio, the nickname of the unit was the SAR Dogs. The motto “Ready Day or Night” relates to the squadron’s ability to be deployed in any environment. The globe represents both day and night. The dog is the same character created by Walt Disney for Civil Air Patrol for Emergency Services. This also references the SAR Dog nickname as he is sniffing the ground in search of something, plus wearing a headset and picking up a transmission via his tail, alluding to receiving an ELT signal from a downed aircraft.

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