

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA BOOK



Keystone Class **2026-2**

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National Defense University

26-2 FELLOWS

Command Sergeant Major Garric M. Banfield

Command Sergeant Major Garric M. Banfield was raised in Boynton Beach, Florida. He entered the United States Army in June 1992. He completed One Station Unit Training and was awarded the military occupational specialty of 19D, Cavalry Scout in Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Command Sergeant Major served as a Driver and Dismounted Scout in 1st Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment and 4th Squadron, 7th US Cavalry; Rifleman and Machine Gunner in 1st Battalion, 124th Infantry Regiment; Instructor in 5th Squadron, 15th Cavalry Regiment; and Squad Leader, Bradley Commander, Section Sergeant, Master Gunner and Platoon Sergeant in 1st Squadron, 1st US Cavalry Regiment.

He served as Team Sergeant and First Sergeant in 96th Civil Affairs Battalion (Airborne); Senior Enlisted Advisor for the Combined Arms Center-Special Operations Forces Cell; Battalion Command Sergeant Major, 81st Civil Affairs Battalion; Brigade Command Sergeant Major, Task Force Sinai; Action Officer at United States Army Special Operations Command; and Brigade Command Sergeant Major of 95th Civil Affairs Brigade (Special Operations) (Airborne).

He was the Command Senior Enlisted Leader of Special Operations Joint Task Force-Afghanistan, United States Forces-Afghanistan (Forward), Over-the Horizon Counterterrorism Platform, Special Operations Command Africa, and the Joint Special Operations University.

He has deployed on several contingency and combat operations to include Operation DESERT FALCON, Operation JOINT ENDEAVOR, Operation JOINT GUARD, Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, Operation NEW DAWN, the Multinational Force and Observer mission, and Operation FREEDOM SENTINEL.

His military education includes the U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy, Nominative Leader Course, Summit Course, Red Team Leader Course, Ranger School, Sapper Leader Course, Jumpmaster Course, Bradley Master Gunner Course, and the Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape-High Risk course.

He holds a Bachelor of Science in Information Systems Management from the University of Maryland University College, a Master of Science in Defense Analysis/Irregular Warfare from the Naval Postgraduate School, and a Graduate Certificate in African Studies from the National Intelligence University.

His awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, and Meritorious Service Medal. He also holds the Combat Action Badge, Parachutist Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge, Ranger Tab, Sapper Tab, and multiple foreign jump and marksmanship awards.



**COMMAND MASTER CHIEF (SW/FMF/AW/IW) TROY A. BOJORQUIZ
UNITED STATES NAVY**



A native of Yucaipa, California, Command Master Chief Troy A. Bojorquiz graduated from Yucaipa High School in 1994 and enlisted in the United States Navy in October 1996. He attended basic recruit training and Hospital Corpsman training at Great Lakes, Illinois, followed by Field Medical Service School at Camp Pendleton, California in 1997.

From 1997 to 2001, he has served as a Fleet Marine Forces Field Medical Technician with 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines and 1st Tank Battalion in Twentynine Palms, California. He cross rated from Hospital Corpsman to Dental Technician in 2003, upon completion of formalized training to become a registered dental hygienist at Pensacola State College. In 2005, he converted back to Hospital Corpsman as a result of the Hospital Corpsman and Dental Technician rating merger.

Ashore, Command Master Chief Bojorquiz has served at Naval Hospital Bremerton and Surface Warfare Medical Institute. He served as an individual augmentee, deployed in support of Operations Enduring and Iraqi Freedom to Expeditionary Medical Facility Kuwait and also deployed to Helmand Province Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom with 1st Medical Battalion.

All of his afloat tours were completed while assigned to the Forward Deployed Naval Forces in Yokosuka, Japan, serving aboard USS KITTY HAWK (CV-63), USS RONALD REAGAN (CVN 76), and his first two Command Master Chief tours aboard USS MUSTIN (DDG 89) and USS MILIUS (DDG 69). He continued service to the Forward Deployed Naval Forces, Japan, serving as Command Master Chief at Naval Surface Group Western Pacific prior to his current assignment as Command Master Chief at Destroyer Squadron 15.

Command Master Chief Bojorquiz' personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (four awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (five awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (four awards); Army Achievement Medal and various service, campaign, and unit awards. He is Surface, Fleet Marine Force, Aviation, and Information Warfare qualified and designated as a Master Training Specialist. He is a graduate of the Senior Enlisted Academy, Command Master Chief/Chief of the Boat Course, Advanced Command Master Chief course, holds an associate degree in applied health science and continues to maintain national and state licensure as a registered dental hygienist.



CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT JOHN C. “BZ” BURGESS

CMSgt John C. Burgess is the Joint Senior Operations Chief for both Directorates of Operations, Headquarters North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) and U.S. Northern Command (USNORTHCOM), as well as the Combatant Command Air Force Element Senior Enlisted Leader, Peterson Space Force Base, Colorado. He serves as the principal enlisted advisor to the Directors on all matters supporting homeland defense, involving strategic guidance to plan and execute NORAD and USNORTHCOM missions within the area of responsibility. This includes aerospace warning, aerospace control, and maritime warning for North America, including the Canadian, Alaskan, and continental United States NORAD Regions within the binational command, and additionally land, maritime, and air operations; defense support to civil authorities; and theater security cooperation, including in the Arctic.

Chief Burgess entered active duty after attending the University of Memphis in October 1997. His background includes various duties in air traffic control, including Master Instructor, Tower Chief Controller, and Radar Approach Control Chief Controller. Chief Burgess also served as Temporary Duty Group First Sergeant, Squadron Superintendent, and Group Senior Enlisted Leader. He has been assigned to Air Combat Command, Air Education and Training Command, U.S. Air Forces in Europe, and Pacific Air Forces. His assignments include bases in Mississippi, the Republic of Korea, Germany, Honduras, Idaho, Texas, Oklahoma, Japan, Utah, and New Mexico. Prior to assuming his current position, he served as the Command Chief, Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center.



EDUCATION

- 2002 Airman Leadership School, Osan AB, Republic of Korea
- 2004 Associate in Applied Science Airway Science, Community College of the Air Force (CCAF)
- 2005 Bachelor of Science in Applied Science & Technology, Thomas Edison State University
- 2005 Basic Instructor Course, Keesler AFB, Miss.
- 2006 Associate in Applied Science Instructor of Technology and Military Science, CCAF
- 2007 Instructor Level II Certification, CCAF
- 2008 Additional Duty First Sergeant Course, Keesler AFB, Miss.
- 2009 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Keesler AFB, Miss.
- 2010 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education, by distance learning
- 2011 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, by distance learning
- 2011 Air Traffic Control Chief Controller Course, Keesler AFB, Miss.
- 2013 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2015 Senior Enlisted Joint Leader Professional Military Education II Course, by distance learning
- 2016 Professional Manager Certification, CCAF
- 2018 Chief Master Sergeant Leadership Course, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2021 Group Superintendent Course, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.





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- 2023 Wing Command Team Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2023 Senior Enlisted Legal Orientation, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2023 Middle East and South Asia Seminar, Alan L. Freed Associates, Washington D.C.
- 2025 Continuous Improvement & Innovation for Executives, Institute for Defense & Business, Durham, NC
- 2025 Missile Defense Officer Qualification Course, Schriever SFB, Colo.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. October 1997 – December 1997, student, Basic Military Training, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
2. December 1997 – April 1998, student, Air Traffic Control Operator Course, Keesler AFB, Miss.
3. April 1998 – August 2000, Radar Approach Control Apprentice Air Traffic Controller, Columbus AFB, Miss.
4. August 2000 – May 2001, Radar Approach Control Air Traffic Controller, Columbus AFB, Miss.
5. May 2001 – May 2002, Radar Approach Control Air Traffic Controller, Kunsan AB, Republic of Korea
6. June 2002 – October 2002, Radar Approach Control Air Traffic Controller, Ramstein AB, Germany
7. October 2002 – February 2004, Watch Supervisor, Air Traffic Control Ground-Controlled Approach, Ramstein AB, Germany
8. February 2004 – June 2005, Chief, Air Traffic Control Training, Ramstein AB, Germany
9. July 2005 – April 2008, Instructor, Air Traffic Control, Keesler AFB, Miss.
10. April 2008 – July 2009, Instructor Supervisor, Air Traffic Control, Keesler AFB, Miss.
11. September 2009 – September 2010, Watch Supervisor, Air Traffic Control Ground-Controlled Approach, Soto Cano AB, Honduras
12. September 2010 – January 2011, Tower Air Traffic Controller, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
13. January 2011 – February 2012, Tower Chief Controller, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
14. February 2012 – July 2012, Temporary Duty First Sergeant, 366th Operations Group, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
15. July 2012 – April 2013, Radar Approach Control Assistant Chief Controller, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
16. April 2013 – November 2013, Tower Chief Controller, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
17. November 2013 – July 2015, Tower Chief Controller, Laughlin AFB, Texas
18. July 2015 – March 2016, Radar Approach Control Chief Controller, Laughlin AFB, Texas
19. March 2016 – May 2017, Tower Chief Controller, Laughlin AFB, Texas
20. May 2017 – January 2019, Radar Approach Control Chief Controller, Vance AFB, Okla.
21. January 2019 – June 2021, Superintendent, 374th Operations Support Squadron, Yokota AB, Japan
22. June 2021 – June 2023, Senior Enlisted Leader, 388th Operations Group, Hill AFB, Utah
23. June 2023 – June 2025, Command Chief, Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center, Kirtland AFB, N.M.
24. June 2025 – Present, Joint Senior Operations Chief, Directorates of Operations, Headquarters North American Aerospace Defense Command and U.S. Northern Command; Senior Enlisted Leader, Combatant Command Air Force Element, Peterson SFB, Colo.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

- Air Force Legion of Merit Medal
- Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters
- Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
- Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2000 Senior Airman Below-the-Zone, Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.
- 2009 Distinguished Graduate, Noncommissioned Officer Academy
- 2011 Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, 366th Operations Group
- 2011 Air Traffic Control Manager of the Year, Air Combat Command
- 2012 Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, 366th Fighter Wing
- 2013 Distinguished Graduate, Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy





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2014 Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, 47th Operations Group

2015 Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, 47th Flying Training Wing

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman Basic Oct. 22, 1997

Airman April 22, 1998

Airman First Class Feb. 22, 1999

Senior Airman April 22, 2000

Staff Sergeant April 1, 2002

Technical Sergeant April 1, 2007

Master Sergeant June 1, 2011

Senior Master Sergeant March 1, 2014

Chief Master Sergeant Aug. 1, 2017

(Current as of Nov. 2025)





CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT STEVEN G. CREEK

Chief Master Sergeant Steven G. Creek is the Command Chief Master Sergeant, 9th Reconnaissance Wing, Beale Air Force Base, California. Chief Creek represents the 7,000 military, civilian, and contractor personnel of Team Beale while also serving as the principal advisor to the commander on all enlisted matters, including those that affect the health, welfare, morale, training, development, readiness, quality of life, and the effective utilization of assigned personnel. The 9th Reconnaissance Wing is comprised of four groups and four overseas operating locations, executing worldwide missions in support of all six geographic combatant commanders.



Chief Creek entered the U.S Air Force in 1999 at 17 years old and has 26 years of active service. He has experience in various roles as an Aerospace Medicine Squadron Superintendent, Department Chief at the United States Air Force School of Aerospace Medicine, MAJCOM Functional Manager, Group SEL, and Fighter Wing Command Chief. His background includes a full spectrum of operational experience with multiple deployments to Oman, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Pakistan, Jordan and Qatar in support of Operation's SOUTHERN WATCH, ENDURING FREEDOM, INHERENT RESOLVE and FREEDOM'S SENTINEL. Additionally, Chief Creek has served in various key developmental positions, to include Additional Duty First Sergeant, AFMC 4E Public Health Functional Manager, and AFCENT 4E Public Health Functional Manager.

Prior to his current position, Chief Creek was the Command Chief (Wolf Chief), 8th Fighter Wing, Kunsan AB, South Korea.

EDUCATION

- 1999 Public Health Apprentice Course, USAF School of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks Air Force Base, Texas
- 2004 USAF Airmen Leadership School, Langley AFB, Va.
- 2007 Associate's Degree, Public Health Technology, Community College of the Air Force
- 2009 USAF NCO Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2010 Professional Manager Certification, Community College of the Air Force
- 2011 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education Correspondence Course
- 2013 USAF Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2017 Combined Senior Leadership Course, Defense Health Headquarters, Falls Church, Va.
- 2018 USAF Chief Master Sergeant's Leadership Course, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2021 Joint Medical Executive Skills Institute Executive Capstone Course for Military Health Service Leaders
- 2023 Senior Enlisted Legal Orientation, Judge Advocate General's School, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2023 Wing Command Team Course, Montgomery, Ala.
- 2023 Bachelor of Applied Science, Public Health, Wayland Baptist University, Plainview, Texas

ASSIGNMENTS OR CHRONOLOGY

1. July 1999 – September 1999, Trainee, Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, Texas
2. September 1999 – January 2000, Student, Public Health Apprentice Course, USAF School of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks AFB, Texas



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3. January 2000 – August 2011, Public Health Technician, 633rd Aerospace Medicine Squadron, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
4. August 2011 – September 2013, Superintendent, Public Health Flight, 96th Aerospace Medicine Squadron, Eglin AFB, Fla.
5. October 2013 – November 2016, Superintendent, Public Health Flight, 673rd Aerospace Medicine Squadron, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska
6. November 2016 – December 2017, Superintendent, 9th Aerospace Medicine Squadron, Beale AFB, Calif.
7. December 2017 – December 2019, Superintendent, Public Health and Preventive Medicine Department USAF School of Aerospace Medicine and HQ AFMC 4E Functional Manager, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
8. January 2020 – May 2023, Senior Enlisted Leader, 35th Medical Group, Misawa AB, Japan
9. May 2023 – May 2024, Command Chief, 8th Fighter Wing, Kunsan AB, Republic of Korea
10. July 2024 – Present, Command Chief, 9th Reconnaissance Wing, Beale AFB, Calif.
(October 2024 – April 2025, Command Chief, 378th Air Expeditionary Wing, Prince Sultan AB, Saudi Arabia)

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Meritorious Unit Award

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Valor Device

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

CMSgt August 1, 2017

(Current as of June 2025)



Command Sergeant Major Kevin A. Dean

As a High School junior, CSM Dean joined The Idaho Army National Guard as a 13F forward observer on 20 February 1993. He attended Basic Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina in between his junior and senior year returning to Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma after graduating from Snake River High School in Blackfoot, Idaho.

CSM Dean's first assignment was HHB 1-148th Field Artillery in Pocatello, Idaho as a traditional Guardsman until September 1995 when hired into the AGR program as a 92Y Supply Specialist. In August 1998 after returning from National Training Center rotation 98-09, he was promoted to SGT and spent two years assigned to HHC 2-116th Cavalry Squadron in Twin Falls, Idaho as an assistant battalion S4 NCO. In 2000, he was promoted to SSG and transferred back to 1-148th FA serving as supply SGT for

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery. He was transferred to A battery in 2000 and deployed to Operation Iraqi Freedom III in 2004. In 2009, he was promoted to SFC as the unit Readiness NCO for HHB serving as the battalion Fire Direction Center NCO and then the battalion Targeting NCO. In 2010, he deployed to Operation New Dawn as the PSD Platoon Sergeant assigned to a division headquarters responsible for movement of Division Commanders and their staff. As an E-8 from 2014 through 2018, he served as the 1-148th FA battalion Operations NCO and B battery First Sergeant and attended an xCTC rotation and the National Training Center rotation 15-09. In October 2018 he was selected as the battalion Command Sergeant Major and once again attended National Training Center rotation 19-08. In 2021, CSM Dean was selected to serve as the Idaho Army National Guard State Command Sergeant Major. In May 2025, he was selected to represent the state's enlisted force as Command Senior Enlisted Leader for the Idaho National Guard.

His awards and decorations include: Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (2nd Award), Army Commendation Medal (3rd Award), Army Achievement Medal (8th Award), Army Good Conduct Medal (9th Award), Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal (2nd Award), Humanitarian Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal (3rd Award), Noncommissioned Officers Professional Development Ribbon (5th Award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (2nd Award), Army Components Overseas Training Ribbon (2nd Award), Armed Forces Reserve Medal with "M" Device, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Iraq Campaign medal (2nd Award), Meritorious Unit Commendation (2nd Award), Combat Action Badge, Idaho Governors Outstanding Unit Award (2nd Award), Idaho Emergency Duty Ribbon (3rd Award), Idaho Reenlistment Ribbon (9th Award), Idaho Service Ribbon (7th Award).

CSM Dean is a graduate of the United States Army Sergeant's Major Academy, The Nominative Leader Course and holds an Associate of Applied Science in Business Administration from Purdue University Global. He is married to Tonya and they reside in Blackfoot, Idaho.

Sergeant Major James Douglas

United States Cyber Command



Sergeant Major James Douglas assumed responsibility for the United States Cyber Command Directorate for Intelligence (J-2) and United States Cyber Command Army Element on 11 July 2025.

SGM Douglas was born in San Antonio, Texas and enlisted in the U.S. Army after graduation from Texas State University in 2002. He has served in a variety of positions from Stryker Dismount Team Leader to Combined Joint Interagency Task Force Command Sergeant Major over ten duty stations and eight overseas deployments.

His assignments include U.S. Army Forces Command, U.S. Army Counterintelligence Command, U.S. Army Special Operations Command (Airborne), 1st Special Forces Command (Airborne), Joint Special Operations Command, U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command, and U.S. Army Cyber Command. SGM Douglas has deployed to locations within Iraq, Afghanistan, Qatar, Jordan, Yemen, and Djibouti.

SGM Douglas has held Military Occupational Specialties as Counterintelligence Special Agent (97B), Chief Counterintelligence and Human Intelligence Sergeant (35Y), Intelligence Master Sergeant (35Z5), Intelligence Sergeant Major (35Z6), and Nominative Sergeant Major (00Z).

SGM Douglas is a fellow of the Joint Special Operations University Summit Course and has completed the Nominative Leader Course, Joint Special Operations Forces Senior Enlisted Academy, and U.S. Army Sergeants Major Course.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Medal, Meritorious Service Medals, Joint Commendation Medals, Army Commendation Medals, Navy Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medals, Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, and Combat Action Badge. Foreign decorations include the German Armed Forces Badge – Gold, and the German Parachutist Badge.



Sergeant Major James Foster

MMEA Sergeant Major/8999 Monitor

Sergeant Major Foster began his current assignment as the MMEA Sergeant Major and 8999 Monitor in April 2024. A native of Philadelphia Pennsylvania, Sergeant Major Foster enlisted in the Marine Corps in February 2000 and was assigned as an Artillery Cannon Crewman. He has attended all required Marine Corps Resident Professional Military Education (PME) Courses, Navy Senior Enlisted Academy, Martial Arts Instructor Course, and Senior Enlisted Joint PME I & II.

His service in the Fleet Marine Force includes Cannon Crewman, Gunner, Assistant Section Chief, 1st Battalion 11th Marines (March 2001-May 2004), Section Chief, Platoon Sergeant, 1st Battalion 11th Marines (July 2006-October 2009), Platoon Sergeant, Battery Gunnery Sergeant, Battery First Sergeant, 1st Battalion 12th Marines (December 2012-May 2016), Battery Gunnery Sergeant, 3rd Battalion 11th Marines (June 2016-December 2016), Company First Sergeant, 2nd Battalion 7th Marines (January 2017-May 2019), Company First Sergeant, Battalion Sergeant Major, Combat Instructor Battalion (June 2019-June 2021), Battalion Sergeant Major, MWSS-374 (Deactivated) (August 2021-April 2022), Battalion Sergeant Major, Combat Logistics Battalion Seven (April 2022-January 2024), 8999 Programs Lead, Marine Corps Senior Enlisted Academy (January 2024-April 2025). MMEA Sergeant Major/8999 Monitor (April 2025- Present).

His service outside the Fleet Marine Force includes Line SNCOIC, Combat Marksmanship Instructor, Primary Marksmanship Instructor, Weapons and Field Training Battalion (April 2004-July 2006), Drill Instructor, Senior Drill Instructor, Drill Instructor School Instructor (October 2009-December 2012). 8999 Programs Lead/ Director, Marine Corps Senior Enlisted Academy (January 2024-April 2025).

Sergeant Major Foster's personal decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal (Third award), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (third award), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and Combat Action Ribbon.



Command Sergeant Major
Arthur L. Fredericks
Command Senior Enlisted Leader
Connecticut National Guard



Command Sergeant Major (CSM) Arthur L. Fredericks serves as the Command Senior Enlisted Leader for the Connecticut National Guard. In this capacity, he is the principal military advisor to The Adjutant General on all matters concerning the enlisted force of the Connecticut Army and Air National Guard, focusing on readiness, training, operations, and administration.

CSM Fredericks began his military career on June 20, 1988, when he enlisted in the United States Army as an Infantryman with the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, Texas. Following his active-duty service, he transitioned to the Connecticut National Guard, joining the 102nd Infantry Battalion. He has held leadership positions at every echelon within the Connecticut Army National Guard, culminating in his appointment as Command Sergeant Major on September 28, 2007.

His operational experience includes mobilizations in support of Operation Noble Eagle and Operation Enduring Freedom. Additionally, CSM Fredericks has been integral to numerous domestic operations, including Airport Security and Key Asset Protection missions within Connecticut.

CSM Fredericks is a graduate of all levels of the Non-Commissioned Officer Professional Development. His extensive military education also includes the Master Fitness Course, Battle Staff NCO Course, Conventional Physical Security/Crime Prevention Course, Pathfinder Course, Airborne School, and Air Assault School. He has completed the Level II Force Protection Course, the Antiterrorism Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, and is a 2019 graduate of the Nominative Leader Course.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (2nd award), Army Commendation Medal (5th Award), Army Achievement Medal (6th award), Good Conduct Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Gold Hourglass, 'M' device, and numeral 2), National Defense Service Medal (with 1 Bronze service star), Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Expert Infantryman's Badge, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Driver and Mechanic Badge (with 'T' device), Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, and the Air Assault Badge.

CSM Fredericks has been invested with the Order of Saint Maurice (Primicerius) by the National Infantry Association. In addition to his primary duties, he serves as the Vice Chair for the Command Sergeant Major Advisory Council and is an executive board member for both the National Guard Senior Enlisted Executive Council and the Connecticut State Chapter of the National Infantry Association.

In conjunction with his military service, CSM Fredericks had a distinguished 21-year civilian career in law enforcement, serving at the command level in each division of the Bloomfield, CT Police Department. His academic achievements include a Master's Degree in Psychology, a Bachelor's Degree in Public Safety Administration, and an Associate's Degree in Environmental Science. Furthermore, he served as an adjunct professor at Tunxis Community College for nearly a decade.

CSM Fredericks currently resides in Canton, Connecticut with his wife, Lindsay and daughter Emily.



Sergeant Major George Garcia III

Education Command and Marine Corps University

Sergeant Major George Garcia III enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and reported to Recruit Training at MCRD San Diego, California in October 1999. Following graduation, he attended Marine Combat Training at the School of Infantry, Camp Pendleton, California and subsequently reported to the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center in Monterey, California for his Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) training as a 2671. He continued additional training at Goodfellow Air Force Base, San Angelo, Texas.

SgtMaj Garcia held a variety of leadership and operational billets throughout his career, including Signals Intelligence Marine, Platoon Sergeant, Watch Chief, Company Gunnery Sergeant, Operations Chief, Company First Sergeant, Battalion Sergeant Major, and Regimental Sergeant Major.



He served with: 2d Radio Battalion, Marine Cryptologic Support Battalion at Fort Meade, 1st Radio Battalion, Inspector-Instructor Staff at 1st Battalion, 23rd Marines, and 3d Maintenance Battalion, Combat Logistics Regiment 35. He was later assigned to Combat Logistics Battalion 4, 7th Communication Battalion, and 1st Combat Engineer Battalion.

In January 2022, he assumed duties as the Regimental Sergeant Major for Combat Logistics Regiment 1, 1st Marine Logistics Group.

In March 2024, he reported to the Staff Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Camp Pendleton to serve as the Director.

In July 2025, SgtMaj Garcia III reported to Education Command, Marine Corps University, where he currently serves as the Sergeant Major of Education Command.

His deployments include service with the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, multiple combat tours in Iraq and Afghanistan, and several overseas deployments for training across the Pacific region.

SgtMaj Garcia holds an M.S. in Transformational Leadership, a B.S. in Environmental Science, and an A.A. in Language.

His personal decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (4 gold stars), the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (3 gold stars), and the Combat Action Ribbon.



CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT THOMAS J. GUNNELL

CMSgt Thomas J. Gunnell serves as Command Chief, 27th Special Operations Wing, Cannon AFB, New Mexico. He serves as the principal advisor to the commander on all matters regarding the morale, welfare, professional development, and combat readiness of over 6,700 Air Commandos and their families. His wing provides special airpower and agile combat support capabilities to operational commanders conducting special operations missions around the world, including direct action, unconventional warfare, special reconnaissance, counterterrorism, personnel recovery, psychological operations, and information operations.

CMSgt Gunnell grew up in Columbus, Ohio and enlisted in the Air Force in March 2004. He is a Tactical Air Control Party Superintendent with more than 300 combat missions as a Special Operations JTAC Instructor and Evaluator. His assignments include bases in Texas, North Carolina, Georgia, New Mexico, Florida, and Washington D.C. Chief Gunnell has 12 deployments in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Freedom Sentinel, and Operation Inherent Resolve.



EDUCATION

- 2008 Airman Leadership School, Pope AFB, N.C.
- 2009 Associate of Applied Science, Information Systems Technology, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2012 Bachelor of Science, Sports and Fitness Management, Troy University, Troy Ala.
- 2014 Joint Fundamentals Course, Joint Special Operations University, by correspondence
- 2015 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education, by correspondence
- 2015 Noncommissioned Officers Academy Course 15, by correspondence
- 2015 Master of Arts, Business Management and Leadership, Liberty University, Lynchburg, Va.
- 2016 Enterprise Management Course, Joint Special Operations University, by correspondence
- 2016 Professional Managers Certificate, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2017 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education II, by correspondence
- 2018 United States Marine Corps Senior Noncommissioned Officer Advanced School, Camp Lejeune, N.C.
- 2018 Air Commando Leadership Development Course, Air Force Special Operations School, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
- 2021 Graduate Certificate in Legislative Studies, Government Affairs Institute, Georgetown University, Washington D.C.
- 2022 Chief Leadership Course, Air University, Gunter Annex, Ala.
- 2023 Latin and South America Seminar, Alan L. Freed Seminar, Washington D.C.
- 2023 Summit Course, Joint Special Operations University, MacDill AFB, Fla.
- 2023 Joint Special Operations Forces Pre-Command Course, Joint Special Operations University, MacDill AFB, Fla.
- 2023 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, Kegan-Flagler Business School, UNC Chapel Hill, N.C.
- 2024 Combined/Joint Forces Special Operations Component Commanders Course, Joint Special Operations University, MacDill AFB, Fla.
- 2024 Continuous Improvement & Innovation Executive Course, Institute for Defense & Business, Chapel Hill, N.C.
- 2025 Enterprise Perspective Seminar, Alan L. Freed Seminar, Washington D.C.

- Airman
March 23, 2004 
- Airman First Class
May 07, 2004 
- Senior Airman
September 07, 2006 
- Staff Sergeant
July 01, 2008 
- Technical Sergeant
May 01, 2013 
- Master Sergeant
June 01, 2016 
- Senior Master Sergeant
March 01, 2019 
- Chief Master Sergeant
December 01, 2021 

ASSIGNMENTS

1. May 2004 – January 2005, Tactical Air Control Party (TACP) Candidate, 342nd Training Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
2. January 2005 – November 2008, TACP Apprentice, 14th Air Support Operations Squadron, Pope Air Force Base, N.C.
3. November 2008 – November 2013, Special Operations TACP, 17th Special Tactics Squadron, Fort Benning, Ga.
4. November 2013 – March 2015, NCOIC, Fires, 26th Special Tactics Squadron, Cannon AFB, N.M.
5. March 2015 – June 2017, Flight Chief, Precision Strike, 26th Special Tactics Squadron, Cannon AFB, N.M.

6. June 2017 – July 2018, Superintendent, Support, 26th Special Tactics Squadron, Cannon AFB, N.M.
7. July 2018 – August 2020, MAJCOM Air to Ground Integration Manager, Air Force Special Operations Command HQ, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
8. August 2020 – December 2020, Legislative Fellow, Department of State, Legislative Affairs, Washington, D.C.
9. January 2021 – December 2021, Defense Legislative Fellow, U.S. House of Representatives, Office of Congressman Chris Stewart, Washington, D.C.
10. January 2022 – July 2023, Special Assistant, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs, Pentagon, Va.
11. July 2023 – July 2025, Command Chief, 492d Special Operations Wing, Hurlburt Field AFB, Fla.
12. July 2025 – Present, Command Chief, 27th Special Operations Wing, Cannon AFB, N.M.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit

Bronze Star with "V" Device & two oak leaf clusters Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Joint Service Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal with "V" Device & three oak leaf clusters Army Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters Army Achievement Medal

Combat Action Medal Presidential Unit Citation

Outstanding Airman of the Year Ribbon

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2008 Airman Leadership School Leadership Award

2010 Air Commando Association Battlefield Airman of the Year

2010 United States Air Force SSgt Jacob Frazier TACP/JTAC of the Year

2014 26th Special Tactics Squadron Noncommissioned Officer (NCO) of the Year

2015 720th Special Tactics Group Lance P. Sijan Award Nominee

2015 26th Special Tactics Squadron NCO of the Year

2016 26th Special Tactics Squadron Senior Noncommissioned Officer (SNCO) of the Year

2016 Joint Special Operations University Enterprise Management Course Honor Graduate

2017 720th Special Tactics Group Lance P. Sijan Award Nominee

2017 Air Force Special Operations Command SNCO of the Year

2017 United States Air Force TACP C2 Operator of the Year

2018 United States Marine Corps SNCO Advanced Course Distinguished Graduate

2019 Pacific Air Forces Command Lessons Learned Team of the Year

(Current as of July 2025)





United States Army

Command Sergeant Major

Kenne P. Hanson

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Doral, FL 33172

Since: October 2025



EDUCATIONAL DEGREES/CERTIFICATIONS

Excelsior College –BS –Criminal Justice

MILITARY SCHOOLS ATTENDED

All levels of the Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development System, Garrison PCC, BDE PCC, Ranger School, SERE-C, Airborne School, Air Assault School, Combat Advisor Training Course, Battle Staff, SHARP, MRT, Common Faculty Development Instructor Course, Basic Instructor Training Course, Small Group Instructor Training Course, Tactical Combat Care, Combat Lifesaver

PROMOTIONS

SGT
Oct 2003
SSG
Sep 2005
SFC
Feb 2010

PROMOTIONS

MSG
Apr 2016
SGM
Feb 2021

DATE OF PROMOTION

FROM TO ASSIGNMENT

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Oct 25	Present	USSOUTHCOM J3 SEL, Doral, FL
Aug 23	Aug 25	Garrison Command Sergeant Major, JBLM, WA
Nov 21	Aug 23	Command Sergeant Major, United Nations Command Security Battalion-Joint Security Area, P'anmunjon, South Korea
Jul 21	Nov 21	Operations Sergeant Major, 2nd IBCT, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, KY
Aug 20	Jul 21	Student, U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy, Fort Bliss, TX
Sep 18	Aug 20	First Sergeant, 1st BN, 3rd SFAB, Fort Hood, TX
Jan 18	Sep 18	First Sergeant, A Company, 2-39 IN, Fort Jackson, SC
Oct 16	Jan 18	First Sergeant, HHC, 2-87 IN, Fort Drum, NY
Jul 16	Oct 16	Operations Sergeant Major (Forward AF), 2-87 IN, Shorab Annex, AF
Oct 15	Jul 16	First Sergeant, A Company, 2-87 IN, Fort Drum, NY
Jul 13	Oct 15	Reconnaissance Platoon Sergeant, HHT, 2-2 CR, Vilseck, Germany
Jul 12	Jul 13	Observer Controller/Trainer, 1st BN, 310 IN TS, Fort McCoy, WI
Jul 11	Jul 12	Operations Sergeant, 1st BN, 310 IN TS, Fort McCoy, WI
Aug 10	Jul 11	Observer Controller/Trainer, 1st BN, 310 IN TS, Fort Bragg, NC
Oct 08	Aug 10	Platoon Sergeant, C Company, 2-3 IN, JBLM, WA
Oct 05	Oct 08	Squad Leader, B Company, 2-3 IN, JBLM, WA
Jan 05	Oct 05	Team Leader, B Company, 2-3 IN, JBLM, WA
Oct 04	Jan 05	Squad Leader, A Company, 1-325 AIR, Fort Bragg, NC

DECORATIONS AND BADGES

Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal with 2 oak leaf clusters, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with 2 oak leaf clusters, the Army Commendation Medal with 4 oak leaf clusters, the Army Achievement Medal with 2 oak leaf clusters, the Army Good Conduct Medal with 8 knots, the National Defense Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal with a bronze star, the Iraq Campaign Medal with a silver star, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, The Korean Defense Service Medal, the Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Medal with a numeral 5, the Army Service Medal, the Overseas Service Medal with a numeral 5, the NATO Medal, Ranger Tab, Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge, Combat Infantryman Badge, honorary member of the Orders of Saint Maurice and Saint Barbara, and the CSM Kelso Leadership Awardee from the United States Army Ranger School.

The logo features the United States Navy seal on the left, which includes an eagle with wings spread, holding an olive branch and arrows, with a shield on its chest. The seal is encircled by the text "DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY" and "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA". To the right of the seal, the words "United States Navy" are written in a blue serif font. Below this, the word "Biography" is written in a larger, bold, blue serif font, with a blue arrow pointing to the right underneath it.

United States Navy Biography

Command Master Chief (SW/AW) James A. Hayes III Commander Destroyer Squadron TWO

Master Chief Hayes is a native of Houston, TX and enlisted in the United States Navy in August 1997 as a Culinary Specialist.

During his time as a Culinary Specialist, he served onboard USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN 71), JEB Pearl Harbor, HI, USS O'BANNON (DD 987), USNSE Larisa, Greece, MCM Crew Reaper, NRD Houston, USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65), USS HARRY S. TRUMAN (CVN 75), JEB Little Creek-Ft Story (Selected to join INSURV Team to inspect four CVNs, one LHA, one DDG and one CG), USS JAMES E. WILLIAMS (DDG 95), USS KEARSARGE (LHD 3), Commander Naval Supply System Command Mech, PA as Fleet Culinary Specialist.



Following selection as a Command Master Chief, he has served onboard USS PAUL H. NITZE (DDG 94) and is currently serving at Commander Destroyer Squadron TWO.

He completed CMC/COB Course in May 2022 and Advance CMC Course July 2024. He has an Associate Degree in Business Administration from American Intercontinental University with Honors.

Master Chief Hayes is a recipient of various personal and campaign awards including the Meritorious Service Medal (2), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (2), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (6), Good Conduct Medal (8). He is qualified to wear the Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist (ESWS) and Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist (EAWS).



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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT JASON R. HENKE

CMSgt Jason R. Henke is the Command Chief Master Sergeant for the Missouri Air National Guard. He serves as the advisor to The Adjutant General and Joint Force Headquarters staff on all matters influencing the mission readiness, professional development, proper utilization, health, morale and welfare of the state's enlisted Airmen and their families. Additionally, he disseminates the commander's policies to all levels of senior officer and enlisted leadership.

CMSgt Henke entered the Missouri Air National Guard in October 2001. He graduated from the Signals Intelligence Analysis Apprentice Course at Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas in July 2003. His background includes various intelligence duties within the Air Operations Center-Weapon System, flight noncommissioned officer in charge, unit career advisor, additional duty first sergeant, first sergeant, and two deployments in support of Operations Nomad Shadow, Inherent Resolve, Freedom's Sentinel, and Resolute Support. Chief Henke was also assigned to the Missouri National Guard Counterdrug Task Force for over a decade as a civil operations specialist and criminal intelligence analyst.

CMSgt Henke has four years of industry experience managing projects in the civilian government sector and healthcare information technology. Prior to assuming his current position, the chief was the Command Chief Master Sergeant for the 131st Bomb Wing at Whiteman AFB and Jefferson Barracks Air National Guard Station, Mo.



EDUCATION

2002 Basic Military Training, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas

2003 Signals Intelligence Apprentice Course, Goodfellow AFB, Texas

2005 Airman Leadership School, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2008 Associate of Applied Science, Communications Applications Technology, Community College of the Air Force

2008 Bachelor of Arts, Interdisciplinary Studies, Columbia College, Kansas City, Mo.

2009 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2010 Intelligence Surveillance Reconnaissance & Operations Course, Goodfellow AFB, Texas

2015 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2015 United States First Sergeant Academy, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2016 Associate of Applied Science, Human Resources Management, Community College of the Air Force

2017 Contemporary Base Issues, Moffett Federal Airfield, Mountain View, Calif.

2017 Mentoring for Results, Center for Creative Leadership, Whiteman AFB, Mo.

2020 Chief Master Sergeant Orientation Course, Andrews AFB, Md.

2021 Senior Enlisted Joint PME-II, Joint Knowledge Online, Suffolk, Va., by correspondence

2023 Command Chief Master Sergeant Training Course, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas

2024 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, Kenan-Flagler Business School, Chapel Hill, N.C.

2025 Leading Data and AI-Enabled Organizations, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

2025 United States Air Force Leading Strategically, Center for Creative Leadership, Colorado Springs, Colo.

ASSIGNMENTS OR CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1. October 2001 – March 2002, Student Flight, 157th Air Operations Group, Jefferson Barracks Air National Guard Station, Mo.
2. March 2002 – May 2002, Student, Basic Military Training, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
3. May 2002 – February 2003, Student Flight, 157th Air Operations Group, Jefferson Barracks ANG, Mo.
4. February 2003 – July 2003, Student, Signals Intelligence Analysis Apprentice Course, Goodfellow AFB, Texas
5. July 2003 – June 2008, Collection Manager, 157th Air Operations Group, Jefferson Barracks ANG, Mo.
6. June 2008 – January 2015, Collection Requirements Management Flight Noncommissioned Officer in Charge, 157th Air Operations Group, Jefferson Barracks ANG, Mo. (October 2010 – April 2011, Orbit Revert Operator, 450th Intelligence Squadron, Ramstein Air Base, Germany)
7. January 2015 – October 2016, First Sergeant, 157th Air Operations Group, Jefferson Barracks ANG, Mo. (January 2016 – July 2016, Intelligence Surveillance & Reconnaissance Cell Superintendent, 609th Air Operations Center, Al Udeid AB, Qatar)
8. October 2016 – July 2019, First Sergeant, 131st Bomb Wing, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
9. July 2019 – November 2020, Superintendent, 157th Air Intelligence Squadron, Jefferson Barracks ANG, Mo.
10. November 2020 – June 2022, Senior Enlisted Leader, 131st Mission Support Group, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
11. June 2022 – June 2025, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 131st Bomb Wing, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
12. June 2025 – Present, State Command Chief Master Sergeant, Joint Force Headquarters, Jefferson City, Mo.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster
Air Force Achievement Medal
Army Achievement Medal

STATE AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Missouri Commendation Ribbon with oak leaf cluster
Missouri National Guard Long Service 20 Year Ribbon
Missouri National Guard Expeditionary Ribbon
Missouri State Partnership Program Ribbon
Missouri Military Funeral Honors Ribbon
Missouri First Sergeant Ribbon
Missouri Basic Training Ribbon

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2003 Distinguished Graduate, Signals Intelligence Apprentice Course
2010 Jefferson Barracks Noncommissioned Officer of the Year
2015 Honor Graduate, First Sergeant Academy
2015 157th Air Operations Group First Sergeant of the Year
2015 131st Bomb Wing First Sergeant of the Year

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

Life Member, Veterans of Foreign Wars
Life Member, Enlisted Association of the National Guard
Life Member, Missouri National Guard Association
Region 5 Primary, Enlisted Field Advisory Council





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman First Class Oct. 13, 2001
Senior Airman June 27, 2003
Staff Sergeant Oct. 20, 2005
Technical Sergeant Nov. 1, 2007
Master Sergeant Jan. 20, 2012
Senior Master Sergeant Dec. 20, 2016
Chief Master Sergeant Oct. 1, 2019

(Current as of April 2026)



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT SETH G. HOGAN

Chief Master Sergeant Seth Hogan is the Command Senior Enlisted Leader, United States Space Forces Northern, Peterson Space Force Base, Colorado. There, he serves as principal advisor to the Commanding General on all matters of personnel readiness and development, enabling the planning and execution of space effects across the full range of military operations. Chief Hogan is also key to the integration and advancement of international security cooperation efforts in support of both service, and Combatant Command priorities.

Chief Hogan hails from Georgetown, Texas, entered the Air Force in 2003 and transferred to the Space Force in 2021. His professional background includes duties in tactical, mobile, and fixed communications, as well as leading teams in both space and cyber operations. He has deployed in support of Operations IRAQI FREEDOM, NEW DAWN, ENDURING FREEDOM, and in support of NROL-71 space launch operations. Prior to assuming his current position, Chief Hogan served as the Senior Enlisted Leader, 65th Cyberspace Squadron, where he provided Defensive Cyber capability for the Combined Space Operations Center and the Vandenberg Space Force Base \$16.5B Launch, Test, and Assured Access to Space mission. Chief Hogan is married to Amanda Hogan and they share three children, Alexis, Brock, and Cora.



EDUCATION

2003 Basic Military Training Course, Lackland AFB, TX
2003 Explosive Ordnance Disposal Orientation, Lackland AFB, TX
2005 Ground Radio Communication Apprentice Course, Keesler AFB, MS
2007 Communications Electronics Maintenance Standards & Evaluations Course, Keesler AFB, MS
2007 USAF Airman Leadership School, Misawa AB, Japan
2009 Special Operations Radio Operators Course, Fort Bragg, NC
2009 JPRA SERE 215/220 Specialized Survival for Special Mission Units, Ft Bragg, NC
2009 USA Basic Airborne Parachutist, Ft Benning, GA
2012 USAF Noncommissioned Officer Academy, McGhee Tyson ANGB, TN
2014 Associates Degree in Electronic Systems Technology, Community College of the Air Force
2014 USAF Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Distance Learning
2015 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education I Course, Distance Learning
2015 Cyberspace Support Quality Assurance Evaluators Course, Keesler AFB, MS
2015 USAF, Professional Management Certification, Misawa AB, Japan
2017 USAF Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, AL
2018 Space 100, Los Angeles AFB, CA
2019 CompTIA, Security+ Certification
2019 USTRANSCOM Joint Enhancement Capabilities Command Planners Course, Naval Station Norfolk, VA
2021 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education II Course, Distance Learning
2023 Space 200, NSSI, Peterson SFB, CO
2024 Space 300, NSSI, Peterson SFB, CO
2026 Alan Freed & Associates, Latin American Seminar, Washington D.C.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 2003 – September 2004, Trainee, Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, TX
2. November 2003 – May 2004, Trainee, Explosive Ordnance Disposal, Eglin AFB, FL
3. May 2004 – May 2005, Trainee, Ground Radio Communications Maintenance, Keesler AFB, MS
4. May 2005 – September 2007, Radio Systems Apprentice, 373rd Support Sq Misawa AB, Japan
5. September 2007 – May 2008, Quality Assurance Evaluator, 373rd Support Sq, Misawa AB, Japan
7. May 2008 – May 2013, Special Operations Radio Operator, Joint Communications Unit, Fort Bragg, NC (Balad, Iraq 2009), (Balad, Iraq 2010) (Sharana, Afghanistan 2011-2012)
8. May 2013 – December 2014, Section Chief, RF Transmission Systems, 35th Communications Sq, Misawa AB, Japan
9. December 2014 – May 2017, Flight Chief, Quality Assurance, 35th Communications Sq, Misawa AB, Japan
10. June 2017– December 2019, Flight Chief, Mobile Communications, National Reconnaissance Office, Vandenberg AFB, CA
11. December 2019 – March 2022, Senior Enlisted Leader, CJ36 - Space & Cyber Operations Directorate, Combined Force Space Component Command, Vandenberg SFB, CA
12. April 2022 – July 2023, Superintendent, 55th Combat Training Squadron, Space Delta 5, Vandenberg SFB, CA
13. August 2023 – August 2024, Senior Enlisted Leader, 30th Space Communications Squadron, Space Launch Delta 30, Vandenberg SFB, CA
14. August 2024 – August 2025, Senior Enlisted Leader, 65th Cyberspace Squadron, Space Delta 6, Vandenberg SFB, CA
15. August 2025 – present, Command Senior Enlisted Leader, US Space Forces Northern, Peterson SFB, CO

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman, 22 July 2003
Airman First Class, 05 September 2003
Senior Airman, 05 January 06
Staff Sergeant, 01 April 08
Technical Sergeant, 01 July 2011
Master Sergeant, 01 June 2015
Senior Master Sergeant, 01 August 2019
Chief Master Sergeant, 01 January 2024

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Bronze Star Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster
Defense Meritorious Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster
Air and Space Force Meritorious Service Medal with 4 Oak Leaf Cluster
Joint Service Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster
Joint Service Achievement Medal

(Current as of April 2026)



Christopher O. Hutto **Master Chief Petty Officer**

*Command Senior Enlisted Leader, U.S. Coast Guard
Maritime Law Enforcement Academy*



Master Chief Petty Officer Christopher Hutto assumed the duties of the Command Senior Enlisted Leader at the Maritime Law Enforcement Academy, Charleston, SC, in 2023. In this role, MCPO Hutto serves as the principal advisor to the unit commander on all matters pertaining to efficient and effective management of the unit's day to day activities and all issues impacting the unit's dedicated workforce. Additionally, MCPO Hutto is an organizational advocate and communication medium for the enlisted workforce through the FORECOM senior enlisted leadership network.

Master Chief Hutto is a native of Woodruff, S.C., and enlisted in the Coast Guard in 1998. His previous assignments include Engineer Petty Officer, MSST Kings Bay (91108) in St. Marys, Ga; Engineer Petty Officer, USCGC HAMMER in Jacksonville, Fla.; Engineer Petty Officer, USCGC SEA FOX in support of Maritime Force Protection Unit Bangor, Wash.; Engineer Petty Officer, USCGC BOLLARD in New Haven, Conn.; Engineer Petty Officer, Aids to Navigation Team Jacksonville Beach, Fla.; USCGC HICKORY in Homer, Alaska; USCGC ANACAPA in Petersburg, Alaska; USCGC VALIANT in Miami, Fla.; and Industrial Support Detachment Fort Macon, N.C.

Master Chief Hutto's personal awards include four Coast Guard Commendation Medals and two Coast Guard Achievement Medals, as well as the permanent Cutterman and Advanced Boat Force Operations insignias. He is also the 2007 recipient of the Coast Guard's Enlisted Person of the Year Award.

Master Chief Hutto is a proud graduate of the Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer Academy Class 211 and the Coast Guard Senior Enlisted Leadership Course Class 70. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in management with a minor in psychology from the American Military University.

Master Chief Hutto and his wife, Andrea, have three adult children: daughter, Sydney, and sons, Joshua and Ethan.

SERGEANT MAJOR CARL J. JACOBSEN
COMMAND SENIOR ENLISTED LEADER, OFFICER CANDIDATES SCHOOL

Sergeant Major Jacobsen is a native of Salt Lake City, Utah. He enlisted in the Marine Corps on September 4, 2002 and attended recruit training at MCRD Parris Island. During that time, Private Jacobsen was meritoriously promoted to Private First Class. Following Marine Combat Training at School of Infantry-East (SOI-East) aboard Camp Geiger, North Carolina, Private First Class Jacobsen attended his Military Occupational School (MOS) in Aberdeen, Maryland and earned the 2111 (Small Arms Repairman) MOS. He was meritoriously promoted to the rank of Lance Corporal in April 2003 and he was subsequently assigned to Marine Corps Security Force Company, Bahrain. While assigned to Marine Corps Security Force Company, Lance Corporal Jacobsen participated in numerous exercises in the United States Central Command theater.



In March 2004, Lance Corporal Jacobsen was meritoriously promoted to the rank of Corporal and received orders to Marine Corps Combat Service Support Schools (MCCSSS) Camp Johnson, North Carolina. While assigned to MCCSSS, Corporal Jacobsen supported units from across Camp Johnson to include the Logistics Operations School. Upon completion of this assignment, he was meritoriously promoted to the rank of Sergeant and requested orders to a Special Duty Assignment.

In June 2006, Sergeant Jacobsen was selected to attend Drill Instructor School at Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island, South Carolina. After graduating DI School, he was assigned to Company A, 1st Recruit Training Battalion. He was meritoriously promoted to the rank of Staff Sergeant in January 2008. After completing his tour on Drill Instructor duty, Staff Sergeant Jacobsen received orders to 3d Battalion, 8th Marines at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

In February 2010, Staff Sergeant Jacobsen deployed with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), ending his deployment in Helmand Province, Afghanistan as the battalion Armory Chief. In April 2012, Staff Sergeant Jacobsen was meritoriously promoted to the rank of Gunnery Sergeant. Then in May 2012, he assumed the billet of Logistical Operations Chief and deployed to Camp Geronimo, Afghanistan in support of the battalion's combat operations.

In May 2013, Gunnery Sergeant Jacobsen received orders to the Staff Noncommissioned Officer Academy at Camp Johnson, North Carolina. During his time at the Academy, Gunnery Sergeant Jacobsen became the Staff Noncommissioned Officer in Charge, the Regional Coordinator for Corporals Course, and the Chief faculty Advisor for the Advanced Course.

In October 2016, Gunnery Sergeant Jacobsen was selected to First Sergeant and assigned as the Unit Senior Enlisted Leader for Kilo Company, 3d Battalion, 6th Marines. He also served as the Unit Senior Enlisted Leader for Delta Company, 4th Reconnaissance Battalion, 4th Marine Division, while assigned to Inspector-Instructor duty in Albuquerque, New Mexico. In February 2021, Sergeant Major Jacobsen was promoted to his current rank and assigned as the Command Senior Enlisted Leader (CSEL) for 2d Radio Battalion, II Marine Information Group. In May 2023 he was assigned to Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 461. Sergeant Major Jacobsen assumed his current billet as the Officer Candidates School Command Senior Enlisted Leader August 16th 2024.

Sergeant Major Jacobsen's personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal with two gold stars in lieu of third award, the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with one gold star in lieu of second award, the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with two gold stars in lieu of third award, and the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal.



United States Navy Biography

CMDCM (SW/AW/IW) NAKISHA M. JOSEPH
Command Master Chief, Destroyer Squadron TWO EIGHT

Command Master Chief Joseph enlisted in the United States Navy in October 2001 after graduating in June from High School in East Hartford, Connecticut. Upon graduating, from recruit training and seaman apprentice training, she reported to her first ship, USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN-71).

She has attended several Navy technical schools and is a graduate of the Navy's Senior Enlisted Academy (Orange Class 198) and the CMC/COB Course Class 21060. She also graduated from Operations Specialist "C" School, Air Intercept Controller School and Air Intercept Controller Supervisory School.

She has been assigned to numerous duty stations with increased responsibility throughout her career. Her duty stations include USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN-71), Norfolk, VA as a Deck Seaman, subsequently becoming an Operations Specialist while working through "on the job training"; FIGHTER SQUADRON COMPOSITE ONE ELEVEN (VFC-111), Key West, FL as an Air Intercept Controller, where she was awarded Sailor of the Year and advanced to Petty Officer First Class; USS HARRY S. TRUMAN (CVN-75), Norfolk, VA where she was advanced to Chief Petty Officer in September 2012; Afloat Training Group Norfolk, VA as the Carrier Team Lead Assessor, where she qualified Afloat Training Specialist, Master Training Specialist and advanced to Senior Chief Petty Officer. She was ultimately advanced to Master Chief Petty Officer, the highest enlisted paygrade in the Navy while serving onboard USS WASP (LHD-1) as the Operations Department Leading Chief Petty Officer and completing a homeport change from Sasebo, Japan to Norfolk, Virginia. She reported to COMMANDER NAVAL SURFACE FORCE ATLANTIC on January 2020 as the Force Operations Specialist and was selected for the Command Master Chief program in February 2021. She reported to USS MICHAEL MURPHY (DDG-112), her first Command Master Chief tour in May 2021. Command Master Chief Joseph led the ship and crew through a FIFTH and SEVENTH Fleet Deployment and Dry dock. Under her leadership, MICHAEL MURPHY received her first ever Battle Efficiency Award and entered her first ever Dry dock. CMDCM Joseph reported to DESTROYER SQUADRON TWO EIGHT, Norfolk, Virginia in June 2023. She successfully led her team through a deployment in the FIFTH Fleet AOR and was awarded the Combat Action Ribbon. She recently reported to COMMANDER NAVAL SURFACE FORCE ATLANTIC in July 2025.



Command Master Chief Joseph's personal decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (3 awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (5 awards) and various unit and campaign awards. She also earned the Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist, Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist and Enlisted Information Warfare Specialist insignias. She is loved and supported by her #1 fan and husband, Steven Joseph and their three children, Joshua, Jakob and Brianna Joseph.



Master Gunnery Sergeant Mark Kania **Senior Enlisted Leader, Force Development (J7),** **USCYBERCOM**

Master Gunnery Sergeant Kania assumed his current position as the Force Development (J7) Senior Enlisted Leader, United States Cyber Command, in April of 2025.

Master Gunnery Sergeant Kania is a native of Prospect Park, Pennsylvania, where he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and graduated from Parris Island in September 2005.

His tours as a Data Systems Marine and Data Systems Chief include 8th Communications Battalion, The Chemical Biological Incident Response Force, Marine Wing Support Squadron 472, and Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Squadron 1.

His tours as a Cyberspace Warfare Operator and Cyberspace Warfare Chief include 700 Cyber Protection Team (USSOCOM) as a Mission Element Lead, Marine Corps Cyberspace Warfare Group as the Operations (G3) Defensive Cyberspace Operations Senior Enlisted Advisor, United States Cyber Command as the Future Plans and Operations (J35) Senior Enlisted Leader, Marine Corps Forces Cyberspace Command as the Operations (G3) Senior Enlisted Leader, Marine Corps Information Command as the Operations (G3) Senior Enlisted Leader, and United States Cyber Command as the Force Development (J7) Senior Enlisted Leader.

Master Gunnery Sergeant Kania's deployments include two in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and one in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

He is married to the former Erin Broderick and lives in Baltimore, Maryland.

Master Gunnery Sergeant Kania has a Bachelor of Science in Computer Networks and Cyber Security and his personal awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal (2nd award), Meritorious Service Medal (2nd award), and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (6th award).





Sergeant Major Jeffrey O. Kelsey
Army National Guard
Senior Enlisted Leader
Installations, Environment and Energy
Arlington, VA 22202



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES ARMY

Sergeant Major Jeffrey O. Kelsey serves as the Senior Enlisted Leader to the Chief, ARNG G-9 and Assistant Director of Installations, Logistics, and Environment at the Headquarters, National Guard Bureau in Arlington, Virginia. He provides strategic guidance on military construction, real property management, facility maintenance, and environmental compliance, shaping policy and managing resources for programs exceeding \$2.2 billion, advocating for the interests of all 54 states and territories with lawmakers and policy leaders. He is actively involved in mentoring and developing non-commissioned officers, officers, Army civilians, and contractors.

SGM Kelsey's career progressed through the U.S. Army Reserves and the Kentucky and Tennessee Army National Guard, holding leadership roles in maneuver, intelligence, sustainment, and mission command. His joint and multinational expertise was honed as the Command Sergeant Major for Area Support Group-Black Sea in Romania, where he was integral to joint logistics operations supporting U.S. and NATO forces by managing host nation coordination, theater contracting, and critical sustainment policies. Previously, as the Chief Intelligence NCOIC for the Joint Multinational Training Group in Ukraine, he managed intelligence operations and personnel, providing analysis that shaped the readiness of the multinational task force. These experiences have enriched his expertise in maneuver, sustainment, intelligence, joint operations, and strategic policy.

Complementing his military service, SGM Kelsey brings invaluable interagency perspective from a distinguished civilian career of over thirty years in law enforcement. Operating across local, state, and federal jurisdictions, he developed expert proficiency in cross-agency communication as a Patrol Deputy, SWAT officer, School Resource Officer, Detective, and federal DEA Task Force Officer. This background required synchronizing complex lines of effort for multi-jurisdictional cases and a mastery of meticulous

information and intelligence gathering and sharing-skills that directly translated to and enhanced his military intelligence roles, fostering comprehensive threat analysis and operational readiness.

MILITARY EDUCATION

2025 Nominative Leaders Course, Carlisle Barracks, PA
2022 BN Pre-Command & CSM Development Program, Ft. Leavenworth, KS
2021 Sergeant Majors Academy, Ft. Bliss, TX
2019 Battle Staff NCO Course, Ft. McCoy, WI
2009 Military Intelligence Course, Ft. Devens, MA
2003 Advanced Non-commissioned Officer Course (Armor), Camp Shelby, MS
1995 Basic Non-commissioned Officer Course (Armor), Camp Shelby, MS
1991 Primary Leadership Development Course, Ft. Jackson, SC

CIVILIAN EDUCATION

Eastern Kentucky University, Criminal Justice Coursework (2024–Present)
Sue Bennett College, Criminal Justice Studies (1993)
DEA Basic Narcotics Investigation Course (2022)

ASSIGNMENTS

MAY 24-Present, Sergeant Major, Army National Guard G-9 Directorate
OCT 22-MAY 24, Command Sergeant Major, Area Support Group-Black Sea, 21st TSC
MAR 20-OCT 22, Command Sergeant Major, 4th SQDN 278th Armored Cavalry REGT
SEP 19-MAR 20, Operations Sergeant Major, 4th SQDN 278th Armored Cavalry REGT
JUN 18-SEP 19, Chief Intelligence NCOIC, JMTG-U, 278th Armored Cavalry REGT
JAN 16-JUN 18, First Sergeant, TRP D (MI Co.), 278th Armored Cavalry REGT
MAR 12-JAN 18, First Sergeant, TRP G (AR Co.), 278th Armored Cavalry REGT
OCT 11-MAR 12, Master Sergeant, Intel Section NCOIC, 278th Armored Cavalry REGT
SEP 08-OCT 11, Operations NCO, 2nd SQDN, 278th Armored Cavalry REGT
NOV 06-SEP 08, Sergeant First Class, SR Intel SGT, 2nd SQDN, 278th AR CAV REGT
OCT 95-NOV 06, Tank Crewman, 3rd SQDN 278th Armored Cavalry REGT
NOV 93-OCT 95, Tank Crewman, C Co, 3-123rd AR BDE, KYARNG
JUN 89-NOV 93, Tank Crewman, C Co, 1/400 REGT 100th DIV TNG USAR

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal (2 OLC)
Army Commendation Medal (3 OLC)
Army Achievement Medal (1 OLC)
Army Good Conduct Medal
Army Reserve Commendation Medal (7 OLC)
National Defense Service Medal (1 OLC)
Army Service Ribbon
Overseas Service Ribbon (1 OLC)
Army Forces Reserve Medal (M Device)
Iraq Campaign Medal
Combat Action Badge

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States (Life Member)
United States Cavalry and Armor Association (Life Member)
Tennessee Sergeants Major Association

8253106 WARRANT OFFICER CLASS ONE KIMBERLY KIELY, OAM

Regimental Sergeant Major (AACC)

Warrant Officer Class One Kimberly Kiely enlisted in the Australian Regular Army in December 1998, following her studies at Swinburne University, where she earned a Bachelor of Business in Marketing. She was allocated to the Australian Army Catering Corps as a chef and, over the course of her career, has served across a broad range of units including Aviation, Infantry, Signals, Training Establishments, Health and Logistics. WO1 Kiely has held numerous leadership appointments, including five Regimental Sergeant Major (RSM) positions across multiple units and Brigades. She is currently serving as the Regimental Sergeant Major of the 17th Sustainment Brigade.



A highlight of her career occurred in 2006 when she was posted as a Recruit Instructor at the 1st Recruit Training Battalion. In this role, she played a key part in trialing the new basic training continuum, which extended recruit training from seven to thirteen weeks. In 2008, she was promoted and posted to the Holding Platoon at Elands River, Army Logistic Training Centre, as Platoon Sergeant. This demanding yet rewarding role saw her responsible for over 200 trainees prior to the commencement of their Initial Employment Training. During this time, she enhanced the trainee experience by developing a structured four-week common induction program, for which she received a Forces Command Bronze Commendation.

While posted to 10th Force Support Battalion, Warrant Officer Class One Kiely was instrumental in supporting two visits to Arnhem Land by the Hon. Tony Abbott. She was part of the command team that led a 70-person contingent responsible for providing logistic support to the Prime Minister, cabinet staff, national media, and local dignitaries. In recognition of her outstanding service, she was awarded an Army Bronze Commendation in 2015.

In 2019, Warrant Officer Class One Kiely deployed to Iraq as the Assessments Sergeant Major within the training branch of Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve. For her exceptional performance, she was awarded the United States Defense Meritorious Service Medal. Her other operational service includes deployments on Operations WARDEN and TANAGER, as well as Rifle Company Butterworth in Malaysia. In addition to her operational and commendation awards, she has been recognised as Student of Merit on multiple promotion courses and was named the Australian Army Catering Corps Soldier of the Year in 2005. In January 2026, Warrant Officer Class One Kiely was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (Military Division) for her meritorious service as the Regimental Sergeant Major of 2nd Health Brigade, Sydney University Regiment, and 3rd Combat Service Support Battalion.

Outside of her military career, Warrant Officer Class One Kiely has a strong passion for netball. She has contributed extensively as a player, coach, and administrator, and currently serves as the Vice President of the ADF Netball Association. She has coached numerous state and national teams, including ADF Mixed, Women's, and Men's teams. In 2018, she was selected as the Australian Civilian Men's Coach and led the team on a successful tour to Papua New Guinea, winning the Trans Pacific Cup. Warrant Officer Class One Kiely is married to Patrick Kiely, and together they have two children: Tyler, who resides in Melbourne for his studies, and Isabella who resides in Sydney. She enjoys a wide range of sports, values time with her family, and is a passionate supporter of the Essendon Football Club.

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WARRANT OFFICER COMBAT SYSTEM SPECIALIST, CORY KING

Staff Officer Special Projects – Naval Staff

Warrant Officer Combat System Specialist Cory King was born in Christchurch and educated at John Paul II High School in Greymouth.

Warrant Officer Cory King enlisted in the Royal New Zealand Navy as a Seaman on 29 May, 1991. Warrant Officer King completed Basic Branch Training at HMNZS TAMAKI before undertaking various shore and sea postings.

Warrant Officer King's sea service has included postings to HMNZ Ships CANTERBURY (FFH), WAIKATO, WELLINGTON (FFH), TE MANA, TE KAHA, and survey vessel MONOWAI. Warrant Officer King has served ashore in naval establishments TAMAKI and PHILOMEL, including Fleet Operations and instructor roles at the Maritime Warfare Training Centre, and a posting to the Services Corrective Establishment, Burnham Military Camp, as a shift supervisor.

Warrant Officer King served onboard HMNZS CANTERBURY during East Timor operations in 1999 earning a Commanding Officers Commendation for performance in the Operations Room. He also served as the Senior Rating borne in HMNZS TE MANA, during OPERATION TIKI II to the Arabian Gulf in 2004, and as the Senior Combat System Specialist onboard HMNZS TE KAHA from 2007-2009.

In 2011, Warrant Officer King posted to HQJFNZ as the assistant to Staff Officer Current Operations. In 2015, HQJFNZ undertook a re-structure with Warrant Officer King assuming the role of Warrant Officer Current Maritime Operations. He was awarded a Chief of Navy Commendation for support to the Maritime Component.

In 2015, Warrant Officer King was a graduate of the Senior Enlisted Academy at Rhode Island, USA, earning commendations for Excellence in Communications, Honour Graduate Award, and Distinguished Graduate Award. He is also a graduate of the 2018 Joint Warrant Officer Advanced Course at the Command and Staff College, Trentham.



In 2018 Warrant Officer King posted to Defence Excellence as the inaugural Innovation Manager for Maritime and Air .

From 2019-2022, Warrant Officer King was posted to HMNZS TE MANA as the Command Warrant Officer, to deliver the ship to Canada and undertake the Frigate Systems Upgrade project.

From 2022-2026 Warrant Officer King was the inaugural Command Warrant Officer for the Assistant Chief of Navy (Personnel and Training).

Warrant Officer King is currently the Staff Officer Special Projects Directorate Navy Strategy Management.

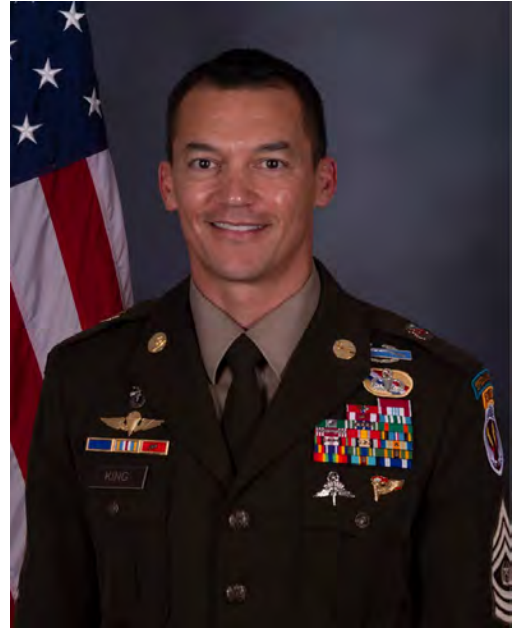
Warrant Officer King has coached Waka Ama for the Porirua Canoe and Kayak Club from 2012-2014 for the National Championships, and at Wellington East Girls College in 2013 and 2014 for the National Secondary School Championships. He coached Junior Rugby in Auckland from 2006-2008 and in Wellington from 2014-2018.

Warrant Officer King is married to Hineapounamu King and they have two adult children Puratana and Ani, and one teenager Casmahilla.

Command Sergeant Major Joshua I. King

Command Sergeant Major (CSM) Joshua I. King was born in 1978 in East Point, Georgia. After graduating high school in 1996, he entered the United States Army as a Mechanized Infantryman serving as a Bradley Fighting Vehicle driver in D Co, 2-9 Mechanized Infantry, at Camp Casey, Korea. CSM King was later stationed at Fort Stewart, Georgia, assigned to D Co, 2-7 Mechanized Infantry where he served as a Dismounted Fire Team Leader.

In 1998, CSM King successfully completed Special Forces Assessment and Selection. He next completed the Special Forces Weapons Sergeant Qualification course, reporting to Fort Campbell, KY in 2000. There he served as a Junior and Senior Weapons Sergeant, Intelligence Sergeant, and Detachment Operations Sergeant on Special Forces Operational Detachment-Alpha 594. CSM King also served as a First Sergeant for the Group Support Company in the 5th SFG (A) Group Support Battalion. As a 1SG, CSM King was selected for Sergeant Major and re-assigned to Group HHC where he supported an Inter-Agency tasking. After this assignment, CSM King served as Company Sergeant Major for Alpha Company 3rd Battalion, 5th SFG (A). In 2018, CSM King reported to Special Operations Command Central on MacDill Air Force Base, Florida where he served as the J3 Operations Sergeant Major. He then returned to 5th SFG (A) in 2019 as the Command Sergeant Major for 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne). His most recent assignment was the Command Sergeant Major for 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne) from 2021 to 2023.



CSM King deployed to the Central Command area of responsibility multiple times throughout his career, supporting Joint Combined Training Exercises, Operations DESERT SPRING, ENDURING FREEDOM, IRAQI FREEDOM, NEW DAWN, and INHERENT RESOLVE.

CSM King holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Intelligence Studies from American Military University and a Master of Business Administration from Norwich University. He successfully completed the following military courses: Airborne, Ranger, Military Free Fall, Military Free Fall Jumpmaster, Advanced Tactical Infiltration, Pathfinder, Air Assault, Static Line Jump Master, Special Forces Advanced Reconnaissance Target Acquisition Explosive Techniques Course, Level II Sniper, Advanced Special Operations Techniques, Special Forces Intelligence Sergeant, Survival Evasion Resistance and Escape, Primary Leadership Development, Basic Non-Commissioned Officer Course, Advanced Non-Commissioned Officer Course, Joint Special Operations Forces Senior Enlisted Academy, Modern Army Combative Program Level I and Level II, along with Army, SOF, Joint pre-command courses, and the JSOU Summit course. In addition, CSM King has competed in the Best Ranger Competition on four occasions.

CSM King's personal awards and badges include a Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal with Valor Device, Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Achievement Medal, Joint Commendation Medal, Expert Infantryman's Badge, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Air Assault Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Master Parachutist Wings (Static Line and Military Free Fall), Kuwaiti, Australian, Czech Republic, Netherlands, Canadian, Italian, Lithuanian, and Jordanian Jump Wings, and the German Army's Gold Schutzenschnur. CSM King has also received the Bronze Order of Saint Philip Neri Award.

CSM King and his wife Sharon recently celebrated 24 years of marriage. They have a 22-year-old son, Ethan.



CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT LLOYD E. MORALES

Chief Master Sgt. Lloyd E. Morales is the command chief master sergeant of the 78th Air Base Wing at Robins Air Force Base, Georgia. As the principle enlisted advisor to commanders and their staffs, he advises and counsels matters concerning the effective utilization, training, education and combat readiness for 2,700 Airmen on a 6,935-acre installation. Chief Morales provides essential support to more than 22,000 personnel assigned to more than 50 mission partner units, including a major command headquarters, three wings, a combat communications group and an air logistics complex.

Morales entered the Air Force in December 1998 as a materiel management technician. He has served in numerous areas in the career field, as well as special senior noncommissioned officer leadership positions. His assignments include bases in Georgia, South Korea, United Kingdom, Kuwait, Oklahoma, Utah, Hawaii and Florida. During his tenure, he has directly supported operations Southern Watch, Enduring Freedom, Horn of Africa, Iraqi Freedom, New Dawn and Noble Eagle.

Prior to his current position, Morales was command chief master sergeant for the 88th Air Base Wing at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

EDUCATION:

- 1999 Supply Management Apprentice Course, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
- 2003 Airman Leadership School, Moody AFB, Ga.
- 2003 Supply Management Craftsman Course, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 2008 Basic Combat Convoy Course, Medium (BC3M), Camp Bullis, Texas
- 2009 Associate of Applied Science Degree, Logistics Management, Community College of the Air Force
- 2010 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
- 2011 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Course 14 (correspondence)
- 2011 First Sergeant Academy, Maxwell AFB-Gunter Annex, Ala.
- 2012 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education I (correspondence)
- 2012 Associate of Applied Science Degree, Human Resources, Community College of the Air Force
- 2015 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy (Advanced Leadership Experience), Maxwell AFB-Gunter Annex, Ala.
- 2015 Professional Supply Management Certification (correspondence)
- 2018 Bachelor's Degree (summa cum laude), Logistics Management, American Military University, Va.



Airman Basic
October 02, 1998

Airman
June 02, 1999

Airman First Class
April 02, 2000

Senior Airman
December 02, 2001

Staff Sergeant
July 01, 2003

Technical Sergeant
June 01, 2008

Master Sergeant
July 01, 2011

Senior Master Sergeant
February 01, 2015

Chief Master Sergeant
June 01, 2018



2019 Chief Leadership Course, Air University, Maxwell AFB-Gunter Annex, Ala.
2021 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education II (correspondence)
2021 Command Chief Master Sergeant Training Course, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Gunter Annex, Ala.
2022 Senior Enlisted Legal Orientation, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Gunter Annex, Ala.
2023 Strategic Mindset Seminar, Stimson Associates Inc., Joint Base Andrews, Md.
2023 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina Kenan-Flagler Business School, Chapel Hill, N.C.
2024 Master of Applied Science in Leadership, Trident University International, Calif.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. December 1998-January 1999, Trainee, Basic Military Training, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
2. January-April 1999, Student, Supply Apprentice School, Lackland AFB, Texas
3. April 1999-May 2001, Aircraft Parts Store Apprentice, 347th Supply Squadron, Moody AFB, Ga. (deployed March-May 2001, Aircraft Parts Store Technician, 363rd Supply Squadron, Saudi Arabia)
4. May 2001-September 2003, Combat Oriented Supply Operations, 41st Rescue Squadron, Moody AFB, Ga. (deployed January-March 2003, Combat Oriented Supply Operations Journeyman, 41st Expeditionary Rescue Squadron, Afghanistan)
5. September 2003-July 2004, Assistant Noncommissioned Officer in Charge, Inventory, 347th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Moody AFB, Ga.
6. July 2004-July 2005, T-38 Aircraft Parts Store Supervisor, 347th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Moody AFB, Ga. (deployed February-May 2005, Combat Oriented Supply Operations NCOIC, 71st Expeditionary Rescue Squadron, Africa)
7. July 2005-June 2006, Aircraft Parts Store Supervisor, 51st Logistics Readiness Squadron, Osan Air Base, South Korea
8. June 2006-May 2008, Tanker Supply, NCOIC, 100th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Royal Air Force Mildenhall, United Kingdom
9. May 2008-July 2009, Compliance Operations, NCOIC, 100th Logistics Readiness Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, U.K. (deployed July 2008-March 2009, S4 Section Chief, 424th Medium Truck Detachment, Iraq)
10. July 2009-July 2010, Material Storage Section, NCOIC, 3rd Combat Communications Support Squadron, Tinker AFB, Okla.
11. July 2010-June 2011, Logistics Support Flight, Superintendent, 3rd Combat Communications Support Squadron, Tinker AFB, Okla.
12. June 2011-August 2013, First Sergeant, 32nd Combat Communications Squadron, Tinker AFB, Okla.
13. August 2013-December 2014, First Sergeant, 729th Air Control Squadron, Hill AFB, Utah (deployed April-November 2014, First Sergeant, 71st Expeditionary Air Control Squadron, Qatar)
14. December 2014-July 2015, Superintendent, 414th Supply Chain Management Squadron, Hill AFB, Utah
15. July 2015-July 2016, Superintendent, 748th Supply Chain Management Group, Hill AFB, Utah
16. July 2016-August 2018, Superintendent, 647th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii
17. August 2018-March 2021, Superintendent, 6th Logistics Readiness Squadron, MacDill AFB, Fla.
18. March 2021-July 2022, Superintendent, 635th Supply Chain Operations Group, Scott AFB, Ill.
19. July 2022-July 2024, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 88th Air Base Wing, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio
20. July 2024-present, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 78th Air Base Wing, Robins Air Force Base, Ga.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with five oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Army Commendation Medal
Navy Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal
Army Achievement Medal
Combat Readiness Medal
National Defense Service Medal
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with bronze star
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal with gold border
Korean Defense Medal
Humanitarian Service Medal
Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2008 Top Graduate, Basic Combat Convoy Course/AF
2009 Lance P. Sijan Award, 100th Air Refueling Wing
2009 Material Management NCO of the Year, AFSPC
2010 Material Management NCO of the Year, AFSPC
2011 CMSgt Eddie Speight AF Materiel Management SNCO of the Year, 24th Air Force
2012 First Sergeant of the Year, 24th Air Force
2013 Team Tinker First Sergeant of the Year
2014 First Sergeant of the Year, 552nd Air Control Group
2015 Lance P. Sijan Award, Air Force Sustainment Center
2015 SNCO of the Year, 448th Supply Chain Management Wing
2016 General Lew Allen Outstanding SNCO of the Year, 15th Wing

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Airman Basic Dec. 2, 1998
Airman June 2, 1999
Airman First Class April 2, 2000
Senior Airman Dec. 2, 2001
Staff Sergeant July 1, 2003
Technical Sergeant June 1, 2008
Master Sergeant July 1, 2011
Senior Master Sergeant Feb. 1, 2015
Chief Master Sergeant June 1, 2018

(Current as of July 2024)





CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT NATHAN L. PARKS

CMSgt Nathan L. Parks is the Command Chief Master Sergeant, 442d Fighter Wing, Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. He serves as the principal advisor to the wing commander on all issues regarding the welfare, readiness, morale, professional development, and proper utilization and progress of approximately 1,300 Air Force reservists at Whiteman AFB and a geographically separated unit; the 476th Fighter Group at Moody AFB, Ga.

Chief Parks was born in Osage Beach, Missouri and is a 1996 graduate of Warsaw High School. He entered the Air Force in August that same year as a C-5 Loadmaster. In August of 2000, then Senior Airman Parks left the active duty and joined the Air Force Reserves. During his time in the Air Force Reserve he has served as a Traditional Reservist, Air Reserve Technician, spent time in the Inactive Ready Reserve, and is currently an Active Guard Reservist. His varied background includes Presidential support team loadmaster, Noncommissioned Officer in Charge of Squadron Aviation Resource Management, Kansas City Missouri Police Officer, Proactive Officer Unit, Community Officer, Air Force Special Operations Command Sensor Operator, Formal Training Unit Squadron Operations Superintendent, Instructor Sensor Operator, Squadron Chief Enlisted Manager, and Group Superintendent and graduated Wing Command Chief.



Prior to this assignment, he served as the Chief, Air Force Reserve Chiefs' Group, Air Force Reserve Senior Leader Management Office, the Pentagon, Washington D.C.

EDUCATION

- 1996 Basic Military Training, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
- 1996 Aircrew Fundamentals, Sheppard AFB, Texas
- 1996 Basic Loadmaster School, Sheppard AFB, Texas
- 1996 C-5 Loadmaster School, Altus AFB, Okla.
- 1997 Air Force Combat Survival School, Fairchild AFB, Wash.
- 1997 Air Force Water Survival School, Fairchild AFB, Wash.
- 2001 Noncommissioned Officer Preparatory Course, by correspondence
- 2005 Kansas City Regional Police Academy, Kansas City, Mo.
- 2009 Undercover Survival and Tactics, Ft. Dodge, Iowa
- 2011 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, by correspondence
- 2014 Associates in Applied Science Degree in Space Technology, Community College of the Air Force
- 2014 Associates in Applied Science Degree in Aeronautics and Aviation Management, CCAF
- 2014 USAF Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, by correspondence
- 2016 Air Force Reserve Command Chief Orientation Course, Robins AFB, Ga.
- 2017 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education, by correspondence

ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1996–August 2000, C-5 A/B Loadmaster, 9th Air Lift Squadron, Dover AFB, Del.
2. August 2000–February 2002, Aviation Resource Management, 18th Air Refueling Squadron, McConnell AFB, Kan.
3. March 2002–June 2012, SARM NCOIC, 303rd Fighter Squadron, Whiteman AFB, Mo.





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4. July 2012–September 2015, Superintendent, 429th Air Combat Training Squadron, Holloman AFB, N.M.
5. September 2015–December 2017, Chief Enlisted Manager, 78th Attack Squadron, Creech AFB, Nev.
6. December 2017–November 2020, Superintendent, 726th Operations Group, Creech AFB, Nev.
7. December 2020–September 2022, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 434th Air Refueling Wing, Grissom ARB, Ind.
8. November 2022–September 2024, Chief, Air Force Reserve Chiefs' Group, Air Force Reserve Senior Leader Management, Office, the Pentagon, Washington D.C.
9. September 2024–Present, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 442d Fighter Wing, Whiteman AFB, Mo.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: senior career enlisted aviator

Flight hours: more than 3,412

Aircraft flown: MQ-9 and C-5 A/B

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air and Space Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air and Space Achievement Medal

Meritorious Unit Award with oak leaf cluster

Air and Space Outstanding Unit Award with Valor Device and three oak leaf clusters

Air Reserve Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf clusters

Combat Readiness Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Humanitarian Service Medal with two service stars

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROMOTION

Airman Basic Aug. 28, 1996

Airman Feb. 28, 1997

Airman First Class Dec. 28, 1997

Senior Airman Aug. 28, 1999

Staff Sergeant July 1, 2001

Technical Sergeant July 1, 2006

Master Sergeant Nov. 1, 2011

Senior Master Sergeant March 1, 2014

Chief Master Sergeant March 1, 2016

(CURRENT AS OF March 2026)





CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT LANCE R. POWER

Chief Master Sergeant Lance R. Power serves as the Command Chief Master Sergeant of Joint Base San Antonio and the 502d Air Base Wing, Texas. Chief Power provides enlisted leadership to a wing comprised of 11 geographically distinct locations including JBSA-Fort Sam Houston, JBSA-Lackland, JBSA-Randolph and JBSA-Camp Bullis

The 8,000-member 502d Air Base Wing executes 49 installation support functions to enable the largest joint base in the Department of Defense, consisting of 267 mission partners, 80,000 full-time personnel, and a local community of more than 250,000 military retirees. The 502d Air Base Wing also manages and provides oversight for major projects, facilities, and infrastructure worth \$37 billion.

Chief Power entered the Air Force in September 1997. His background includes a myriad of operational, support, and joint experiences at the squadron, group, wing, Major Command and Combatant Command staff levels. He also served as a Professional Military Education Instructor and additional duty First Sergeant.

His assignments include bases in Illinois, California, Hawaii, Maryland, Mississippi, Nebraska, North Carolina, and Texas. He has also served overseas in Korea and Germany and has deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Inherent Resolve.



Before assuming his current position, he served as the Command Chief Master Sergeant, 67th Cyberspace Wing, JBSA-Lackland, Texas.

EDUCATION

- 2002 Airman Leadership School, Andrews AFB, Md.
- 2008 NCO Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2008 Associate's in Information Systems Management, Community College of the Air Force
- 2009 Enlisted Professional Military Education Instructor Course, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2010 Associate's in Instructor of Technology and Military Science, Community College of the Air Force
- 2010 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education, National Defense University
- 2012 Additional Duty First Sergeant Symposium, United States Air Forces in Europe
- 2012 Instructor Level 1 & Instructor Level 2 Certifications, Community College of the Air Force
- 2013 Professional Manager's Certification, Community College of the Air Force
- 2015 Air Force Senior NCO Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2016 Bachelor's in Organizational Management, Summa Cum Laude, Ashford University, San Diego, Calif.
- 2016 Asia-Pacific Orientation Course, Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies, Honolulu, Hawaii
- 2019 Chief Master Sergeant Leadership Course, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2019 Project Management Professional Certification (PMP), Project Management Institute, Philadelphia, Penn.
- 2022 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education II, by correspondence
- 2023 Senior Enlisted Legal Orientation, Air Force Judge Advocate General's School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2023 Wing Command Team Course, Air University, Montgomery, Ala.
- 2024 Executive Program in Organizational Culture & Leadership, Georgetown University, Washington D.C.
- 2024 Continuous Improvement Innovation for Executives, Institute for Defense & Business, Duke University, N.C.
- 2024 Enterprise Perspective Seminar, Alan L. Freed Associates, Capitol Hill, Washington D.C.
- 2025 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina, N.C.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Sep 1997 – Oct 1997, Trainee, Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, Texas
2. Oct 1997 – Dec 1997, Student, Radio Communications Systems Course, Keesler AFB, Miss.





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3. Jan 1998 – Mar 2003, Radio Operator, 789th Communications Squadron, Andrews AFB, Md.
4. Mar 2003 – Oct 2006, Standardization & Evaluation Communications NCO / Military Satellite Operator, Global Operators Center, United States Strategic Command, Offutt AFB, Neb.
5. Oct 2006 – Dec 2009, NCOIC, Aircrew Scheduling / NCOIC, Radio Communications / NCOIC, Information Systems Management, 43d Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, Pope AFB, N.C.
(Apr 2009 – Aug 2009, NCOIC, Radio Communications, Aeromedical Evacuation Contingency Operations Team, Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan)
6. Dec 2009 – Feb 2013, Professional Military Education (PME) Instructor, Kisling NCO Academy, Kapaun Air Station, Germany
7. Feb 2013 – Feb 2014, Quality Assurance, 51st Communications Squadron, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea
8. Feb 2014 – Feb 2017, Flight Chief, Operations, 56th Air Communications Squadron, 613th Air Operations Center, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii
9. Feb 2017 – Sep 2018, Senior Enlisted Leader, 38th Cyberspace Readiness Squadron, Scott AFB, Ill.
(Jan 2018 – Jul 2018, Flight Chief, Operations, 407th Expeditionary Communications Squadron, Undisclosed Location)
10. Sep 2018 – Feb 2020, Superintendent, Operations Division, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Directorate of Communications, Scott AFB, Ill.
11. Feb 2020 – Jan 2021, Senior Enlisted Leader, 381st Training Group, Vandenberg AFB, Calif.
12. Jan 2021 – May 2023, Senior Enlisted Leader, 81st Mission Support Group, Keesler AFB, Miss.
13. May 2023 – Jun 2025, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 67th Cyberspace Wing, JBSA-Lackland, Texas
14. Jul 2025 – Present, Command Chief Master Sergeant, Joint Base San Antonio and 502d Air Base Wing, Ft Sam Houston, Texas

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal with seven oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air and Space Commendation Medal with oak leaf clusters

Air and Space Achievement Medal with oak leaf clusters

Air Force Recognition Ribbon

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2002 John L. Levitow Award, Airman Leadership School, Andrews AFB, Md.

2007 Noncommissioned Officer (NCO) of the Year, 43rd Operations Group, Pope AFB, N.C.

2007 Outstanding Aeromedical Evacuation Mission Support NCO of the Year, Air Force level

2008 Distinguished Graduate, NCO Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.

2010, 2011 & 2012 Air Force PME Team of the Year, Kisling NCOA, Kapaun AS, Germany

2011 & 2012 Senior NCO of the Year, Kisling NCO Academy, Kapaun AS, Germany

2012 Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award nominee, USAFE-AFAFRICA

2013 Air Force Sergeants Association Member of the Year, AFSA Chapter 1556

2014 Senior NCO of the Year, 56th Air Communications Squadron, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii

2015 Distinguished Graduate, Air Force Senior NCO Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.

2015 General Jumper Award for Warfighting Integration, 613th Air Operations Center, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii

2015 Senior NCO of the Year, 613th Air Operations Center, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Chief Master Sergeant August 1, 2018

(Current as of July 2025)





Raymond J. Prell IV

Master Chief Yeoman
United States Coast Guard



Master Chief Raymond J. Prell IV assumed duties as Command Senior Enlisted Leader at the Coast Guard National Strike Force (NSF) on July 18, 2023. He serves as the direct representative to the NSF Commander on all matters pertaining to efficient and effective management of day-to-day unit activities. Additionally, he assists in enhancing policy, strategy, and outreach to the NSF workforce through relationships developed with Department of Defense senior enlisted counterparts, service organizations, and non-government organizations that support personnel and their families. The NSF minimizes adverse impacts to the public and environment from oil discharges, hazardous materials releases, and weapons of mass destruction (WMD) incidents and is a vital component of the National Response System and homeland security mission. They provide rapidly deployable technical experts, specialized equipment, and incident management capabilities for response and preparedness missions. Prior to his current assignment, Master Chief Prell served as a student at the Sergeants Major Academy (U.S. Army) at Fort Bliss, TX.

Originally from Meridian, NY, Master Chief Prell enlisted in the Coast Guard in April 2003 graduating with Recruit Company Zulu-164. His previous assignments include P&A Supervisor, Coast Guard Base Cleveland, Cleveland OH, Assistant Servicing Personnel Office Supervisor, Coast Guard Base Cleveland, Cleveland, OH, Command Cadre Yeoman, Ninth Coast Guard District, Cleveland, OH, Coast Guard Air Station Cape Cod, Buzzards Bay, MA, Coast Guard Integrated Support Command Boston, Boston, MA, and USCGC SPENCER, Boston, MA.

Master Chief Prell is a graduate of Chief Petty Officer Academy Class 258, Sergeants Major Course Class 73, and Senior Enlisted Leadership Course Class 103. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Studies from American Military University and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Leadership and Workforce Development from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. His personal awards include three Coast Guard Commendation Medals, two Coast Guard Achievement Medals, and four Coast Guard Commandant's Letter of Commendation Ribbons.

Master Chief Prell has been married to his wife, Alicia, since 2008. They are the proud parents of their son, Blake, born in 2012.

CMDCM(IW/EXW/SW/AW) ANGELA L. QUACKENBUSH
Command Master Chief
Cryptologic Warfare Group SIX



Master Chief Quackenbush is a native of Altmar, NY. She graduated from Altmar-Parish-Williamstown High School, entered into the Navy in August 2002 and completed basic training at Recruit Training Command (RTC) Great Lakes, IL. After completing CTR "A" School in Pensacola, FL she reported to Navy Information Operations Command – Hawaii.

Her military education includes: Cryptologic Technician Collections "A" and "C" Schools, Tactical Information Operations – Operator Course, and Naval leadership courses. She's a graduate of the Navy's Senior Enlisted Academy,

the Command Master Chief/Chief of the Boat Course and the Advanced Command Master Chief Course.

Her previous duty stations include Naval Technical Training Center in Pensacola, FL; Navy Information Operations Command – Hawaii; Navy Information Operations Command – Whidbey Island; Naval Special Warfare Development Group in Virginia Beach; Navy Information Operations Command – Colorado; USS CONSTITUTION in Boston, MA; and USS OSCAR AUSTIN (DDG 79) in Norfolk, VA.

Her deployments and forward experience include Al Asad, Iraq, Bagram, Afghanistan, multiple Joint Task Force deployments with NSWDG, a deployment on the USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN 71), and deployed in support of multiple exercises before and during her time onboard USS OSCAR AUSTIN (DDG 79).

Master Chief Quackenbush's personal awards include: Defense Meritorious Service Medal (2), Meritorious Service Medal (1), Joint Service Commendation Medal (2), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (1), Joint Service Achievement Medal (2), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (6), Army Achievement Medal (2), and numerous campaign and unit awards.



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SERGEANT MAJOR CLARENCE B. RABY

UNITED STATES ARMY



Sergeant Major Raby assumed the duties of the J4 Senior Sustainment SGM (J4 Senior Enlisted Leader) to the Director of Logistics and Engineering, NORAD and USNORTHCOM on January 12, 2026. He serves as an advisor to the J4 Director and Deputy Director on all matters involving the coordination, synchronization, and integration of military logistics capabilities with internal and external partners during deliberate planning and contingency response operations. SGM Raby also serves as the directorate's spokesperson to leaders and organizations on applicable issues affecting the directorate, joint and combined total force integration, and utilization, health of force, joint development, education, training, and communication. He maintains oversight, focus, and responsibility in any area that the J4 Director or Deputy Director may direct.

SGM Raby, a native of Sumter, South Carolina, and entered the Army in 2001. During his career, he has held numerous leadership and staff positions. SGM Raby's most recent assignment was the Commandant of the Fort Stewart Noncommissioned Officer Academy (NCOA), Fort Stewart, GA. His previous assignments include Brigade Command Sergeant Major, 1st Infantry Division Sustainment Brigade, 1st Infantry Division, Ft. Riley, KS; Battalion Command Sergeant Major, 4th Brigade Support Battalion, 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team (SBCT), 4th Infantry Division, Ft. Carson, CO; J4 SGM, United States Forces-Afghanistan (USFOR-A); Division G4 SGM, Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 4th Infantry Division, Ft. Carson, CO; Student, United States Army Sergeants Major Academy (Class 68), Ft. Bliss, TX; J4 SGM, Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-Syria (CJSOTF-S); Group S4 NCOIC and Property Book NCOIC, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Ft. Campbell, KY; First Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Group Support Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne), Ft. Bragg, NC; Battalion S4 NCOIC, Detachment Sergeant, and S3 Operations NCOIC, Group Support Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne), Ft. Bragg, NC; Supply Sergeant, Group Support Company, Group Support Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne), Ft. Bragg, NC; Supply Sergeant and Platoon Sergeant, 2/377th Parachute Field Artillery Regiment (PFAR), 4th Brigade Combat Team (Airborne), 25th Infantry Division, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson (JBER), AK; Armorer and Supply Sergeant, C Co, 1/501st Parachute Infantry Regiment (PIR), 172nd Infantry Brigade, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson (JBER), AK.

SGM Raby deployed numerous times to Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF), Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF), and Operation Inherent Resolve (OIR).

SGM Raby's military and civilian education includes, but is not limited to; the Basic Leader Course, Advanced Leader Course, Senior Leader Course, United States Sergeants Major Academy (Class 68), Company, Battalion, Brigade and Commandant's Pre-Command Courses, Supervisory Development Course, Senior Training and Education Managers-Course (STEM-C), Airborne School, Jumpmaster Course, Joint Logistics Course, Master Resilience Trainer, Contracting Officer Representative, and the United States Army Special Operations Command (USASOC) Non-Standard Logistics Course. He holds an Associates and Bachelor of Science degrees in Multidisciplinary Studies from Grantham University.

SGM Raby's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit (1OLC), Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal (2OLC), Joint Service Commendation Medal (2OLC), Army Commendation Medal (3OLC); Army Achievement Medal (3OLC), Joint Meritorious Unit Award (1OLC), Meritorious Unit Commendation Award, Humanitarian Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal (8th Award), National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal (4 CSS), Iraqi Campaign Medal (2 CSS), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon (numeral 5), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (numeral 5), NATO Medal (2), Master Parachutists Badge, and the Dutch Netherlands Foreign Parachutist Badge.

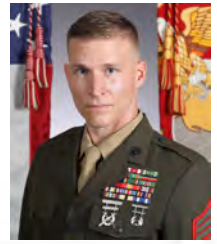
SGM Raby is married to Keyona Raby, and they have four children- Kissan, Nykira, Clarence Jr., and Ahmiya.

(current as of April 2026)



Sergeant Major Glenn R. Ray

**Director, Staff Noncommissioned Officer Academy,
Quantico**



SgtMaj Ray is a native of Michigan. He graduated from Hart High School in June of 2000 and reported to Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, CA in August. Upon graduating recruit training he completed Marine Combat Training at Camp Pendleton, CA., then attended Automotive Organizational Mechanic's Course at Camp Johnson, NC.

SgtMaj Ray reported to 2nd Maintenance Battalion in May 2001 to serve as a mechanic. During this time he served in several billets, to include: mechanic, float NCO, WIR/IROAN NCO, floor chief, and RBE platoon sergeant. In March 2004 SgtMaj Ray was accepted for a lat move into the MOS 4133, and received permanent change of assignment orders to Headquarters Battalion, 2nd MLG.

In April 2004, SgtMaj Ray began on the job training (OJT) at Camp Lejeune, Camp Geiger, New River Air Station, and Camp Devil Dog. In June 2004 he received his first assignment as exchange assistant manager in the industrial area MCX aboard Camp Lejeune. In February of 2005 he deployed with II MEF to Iraq where he served as assistant Tactical Field Exchange (TFE) manager, and Warfighter Express Service (WES) team leader on forward operating base Duke, Najaf Iraq.

SgtMaj Ray reported to Headquarters Battalion, MCB Hawaii in March 2006 and assumed duties as department supervisor for the main exchange. In June 2006 he was augmented to I MEF and deployed with them in August to serve as a TFE assistant manager and WES team leader in Al Anbar Province. He returned in February 2007 and assumed duties as assistant exchange manager of the Marine Mart aboard MCB Hawaii. In late 2007 he requested orders to serve as a Combat Instructor (CI) and received a school date for July 2008.

In July 2008, SgtMaj Ray attended Marine Combat Instructor's Course (MCIC) at the School of Infantry West, Camp Pendleton, CA. Upon completion of MCIC, he reported to Fox Co. MCT Bn SOI (W) for service as a CI. During his time as a CI, SgtMaj Ray served in many billets, to include; squad instructor, platoon sergeant, platoon commander, primary instructor, instructor group section leader, and company gunnery sergeant.

SgtMaj Ray reported for duty at MCAS Iwakuni in July 2011 to serve as exchange manager. In January 2012 he augmented to I MEF then deployed in March to Camp Leatherneck where he served as the WES team operations SNCOIC. He returned from Afghanistan in October 2012 and assumed duties as deployment support chief for CLC-36 in Iwakuni. In February 2014 he volunteered and received orders to serve as the company 1stSgt for H&S Co, CATC Camp Fuji.

SgtMaj Ray reported in August 2014 to H&HS, MCAS Beaufort, SC for duty as the MCCS Retail Operations SNCOIC. He held this billet until being selected to serve as SNCOIC of Corporal's School in January 2015.

SgtMaj Ray reported for duty as Company First Sergeant, Weapons Company, 3d Bn, 3d Marines in March 2016. He deployed with Weapons Company to Okinawa Japan as part of the Forward Deployed Force from June 2016 to December 2016, and then with H&S Company from December 2017 to June 2018. SgtMaj Ray reported to Camp Johnson in January 2019 for duty as the Logistics Operations School First Sergeant.

SgtMaj Ray served as the Command Senior Enlisted Leader (CSEL) for Combat Logistics Battalion-24 from April 2020 to May of 2022, and deployed with the battalion on the 24th MEU from February to September 2021. He served as CSEL in Okinawa with 3d Battalion, 12th Marines form June 2022 to April 2023, and III MEF Information Group, 3d Marine Expeditionary Brigade, and Camp Hansen from April 2023 to June 2024. He was assigned as Director of SNCOA Quantico in July 2024.

SgtMaj Ray is a graduate of the Marine Corps Senior Enlisted PME, and his personal awards include; Meritorious Service Medal (x2), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (x5), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (x2), and the Marine Combat Instructor Ribbon.



COMMAND MASTER CHIEF JASON M. ROEDER

Command Master Chief, II Marine Expeditionary Force

Command Master Chief Jason Roeder is a native of Denver, Colorado. He enlisted in the United States Navy in 1996. After completion of Basic Training, he attended Hospital Corpsman “A” School, Field Medical Service School, and subsequent Surgical Technologist “C” School. He was Selected for the Command Master Chief program in 2020.

His operational assignments include 10th Marine Regiment; 6th Marine Regiment; Battalion Landing Team 2/6; 2d Medical Battalion; Surgical Shock Trauma Platoon Charlie; Fleet Hospital Three (FH-3); USS KEARSARGE (LHD-3) and as Command Master Chief of USS CARNEY (DDG-64).



Ashore, he served at Navy Personnel Command, Arlington, Va; Naval Air Station Keflavik, Iceland; Naval Hospital Beaufort; Naval Hospital Pensacola; as a High-Risk Instructor for the CENSECFOR, Riverine detachment and most recently as Command Master Chief of Naval Medical Center Camp Lejeune.

He has completed multiple deployments to various locations in EUCOM, CENTCOM, and SOUTHCOM to include Operations Iraqi Freedom; Enduring Freedom; Inherent Resolve, and disaster relief efforts for Hurricane Ivan and Joint Task Force Katrina.

CMDCM Roeder is a graduate of the Navy Senior Enlisted Academy (Class 207, Gray), the Command Master Chief & Chief of the Boat course, and the Major Command CMC course.

He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Health Care Administration with a focus in Biostatistics.

Additionally, he has been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (four awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (three awards), and various unit and campaign awards. He is qualified as an Enlisted Fleet Marine Force Warfare Specialist, Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist, Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist and Master Training Specialist.

Master Chief Roeder is currently serving as the Command Master Chief of II Marine Expeditionary Force, headquartered at Camp Lejeune, NC.



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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT THOMAS C. SCHAEFER II

Chief Master Sergeant Thomas Schaefer is Command Chief Master Sergeant for Seventh Air Force, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea. He serves as the personal advisor to the Commander on all matters regarding the welfare, readiness, morale, and proper utilization of more than 8,500 Total Force Airmen and family members across the Korean Peninsula. As the senior enlisted Airman for the Air Component Command of United Nations Command and Combined Forces Command, he partners with Republic of Korea and joint service senior leaders, ensuring the combat readiness of the U.S. - ROK Alliance.

CMSgt Schaefer is a native of Newport Beach, CA. He entered the Air Force in November of 1997 as a Tactical Air Command and Control Specialist. He served in Operations SOUTHERN WATCH, JOINT GUARD, JOINT FORGE, ALLIED FORCE, IRAQI FREEDOM, ENDURING FREEDOM, SPARTAN SHIELD, and INHERENT RESOLVE.

Prior to assuming his current position, he served as Senior Enlisted Leader to the Air Force Director of Staff and the Secretary of the Air Force and Chief of Staff of the Air Force Executive Action Group, Pentagon, Virginia.



EDUCATION

1995 Bachelors of Science, Criminal Sociology, University of Arizona
1997 Basic Military Training, Lackland AFB, Texas
2000 Joint Firepower Course, Nellis AFB, Nevada
2001 Airman Leadership School, McGuire AFB, New Jersey
2007 Associate of Science, Information Systems Management, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
2008 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Peterson AFB, Colorado
2010 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy by Correspondence, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
2011 Senior Enlisted Joint PME Level 1 by Correspondence
2011 Professional Management Certification, Community College of the Air Force
2012 SNCO Academy in residence, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
2012 USAFWS JTAC WIC Graduate, Nellis AFB, Nevada
2016 Senior Enlisted Joint PME Level 2 by Correspondence
2017 Chief Leadership Course, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
2020 Senior Enlisted Legal Orientation, by Correspondence
2021 Command Chief Master Sergeant Training Course, Andrews AFB, Maryland
2021 China, INDOPACOM and the Far East Seminar, by Correspondence
2021 Regional Seminar; Africa, Washington D.C.
2023 Artificial Intelligence for National Security Leaders Course, Cambridge, MD
2023 Strategic Leadership Course, Maxwell AFB-Gunther Annex, AL
2024 Ascent Course, Pentagon, VA
2025 Mid East Asia Seminar, Flatter Inc., Capitol Club, Washington D.C

ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1998 – August 2000, Tactical Air Command and Control Specialist / Fighter Duty Tech 4th Air Support Operations Squadron, Sullivan Barracks, Mannheim, Germany
2. August 2000 – October 2006, Joint Terminal Attack Instructor / Chief of Standardization and Evaluations, 20th Air Support Operations Squadron, Fort Drum, New York
3. October 2006 – March 2011, Operations Superintendent, 13th Air Support Operations Squadron, Fort Carson, Colorado
4. March 2011 – January 2012, Squadron Superintendent, 604th Air Support Operations Squadron, Camp Red Cloud, Republic of Korea
5. January 2012 – September 2013, Initial Cadre, JTAC Weapons Instructor Course, 66 Weapons Squadron, USAF Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nevada
6. September 2013 – September 2014, Squadron Superintendent, 66th Weapons Squadron, USAF Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nevada
7. Sep 2014 – June 2015, Squadron Superintendent, 72d Expeditionary Air Support Operations Squadron, Baghdad, Iraq
8. June 2015 – February 2016, Squadron Superintendent, 10th Air Support Operations Squadron, Fort Riley, Kansas
9. February 2016 to August 2016, Group Superintendent, 368th Expeditionary Air Support Operations Group, Camp Arifjan, Kuwait
10. August 2016 – July 2018, Squadron Superintendent, 10th Air Support Operations Squadron, Fort Riley, Kansas
11. August 2018-June 2021, Group Superintendent, 57th Operations Group, Nellis AFB, Nevada
12. June 2021 – May 2022, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 8th Fighter Wing, Kunsan AB, Republic of Korea
13. June 2022 – September 2023, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 57th Wing, Nellis AFB, Nevada
14. September 2023 – July 2025, Senior Enlisted Leader, SecAF/CSAF Executive Action Group and acting AF/DS Senior Enlisted Leader
15. July 2025 - Present, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 7th Air Force, Osan AB, ROK

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster

Bronze Star Medal

Defense Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf clusters

Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Army Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

1998 Commandant's Award, Tactical Air Command and Control Apprentice Course

1998 Combat Survival Course

1999 Distinguished Graduate, USAFE Air Ground Operations School

2001 Distinguished Graduate, Joint Firepower Course

2001 US Army Air Assault Qualification

2001 John L. Levitow Award, Airman Leadership School

2003 US Army Basic Mountaineering Course

2004 US Army Pathfinder Qualification

2006 US Army Basic Airborne Qualification

2008 John L. Levitow Award, Noncommissioned Officer Academy

2012 Distinguished Graduate, Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy

2013 Senior NCO of the Year, 57 Wing

2015 Lance P. Sijan Award, 93 Air Ground Operations Wing

(Current as of July 2025)



CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT DANIEL “STUNT” SCHEU

CMSgt Daniel Scheu is dual hatted as the Command Senior Enlisted Leader of Joint Task Force - Gold (JTF-Gold) under U.S. Northern Command as well as Joint Functional Component Command for Integrated Missile Defense (JFCC IMD) under U.S. Space Command. In this role, Chief Scheu advises the Commanding General of JTF-Gold and JFCC IMD on all matters related to the planning, operationalization, sustainment, and continued modernization of America’s Integrated Air and Missile Defenses. Additionally, Chief Scheu is responsible to the 123 total force servicemembers and civilians in JTF-Gold to be their voice on all matters relating to doctrine, operations, training, readiness, and quality of life.

CMSgt Scheu enlisted in the United States Air Force in 2001. After basic military training he attended the Russian Basic Course at the Defense Language Institute, Monterey, California. While in the Air Force, Chief Scheu served in various intelligence community positions ranging from Cryptologic Linguist, Adversary Tactics Analyst, and Chief of National-Tactical Integration. Prior to his current position, Chief Scheu was the Individual Mobilization Augmentee to the Senior Enlisted Leader, Space Delta 7, Peterson Space Force Base, Colorado where he advised the Commander, Space Delta 7 on development & employment for 832 Guardians. CMSgt Scheu was selected for transfer to the United States Space Force under the Personnel Management Act, effective June 2025.



CMSgt Scheu deployed in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM with Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force - Afghanistan.

EDUCATION

- 2002 Air Force Basic Military Training School, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
- 2004 Russian Language Basic Course, Defense Language Institute, Presidio of Monterey, Calif.
- 2004 Russian Cryptologic Course, Goodfellow AFB, Texas
- 2007 Airman Leadership School, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
- 2010 Tactics Analysis & Reporting Program Intelligence Formal Training Unit (IFTU), Nellis AFB, Nev.
- 2014 Mobility Air Forces IFTU, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J.
- 2016 Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska
- 2017 Senior Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2018 National Tactical Integration Intelligence Initial Qualification Course, Fort Meade, Md.
- 2020 Associate of Applied Science, Intelligence Studies, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2020 Associate of Arts, Russian Language, Defense Language Institute, Presidio of Monterey, Calif.
- 2021 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education I, by correspondence
- 2021 Senior Enlisted ISR Master Skills Course, Goodfellow AFB, Texas
- 2023 Academic Instructors’ Course – Eaker Center for Leadership Development, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2024 Chiefs’ Orientation Course – Air Force Reserve Command Professional Development Center, Robins AFB, Ga.
- 2025 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education II, by correspondence





ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 2002-September 2002: Trainee, Air Force Basic Training, Lackland AFB, Texas
2. September 2002-March 2004: Student, Russian Language, Defense Language Institute, Presidio of Monterey, Calif.
3. March 2004-July 2004: Student, Russian Cryptologic Apprentice Course, Goodfellow AFB, Texas
4. September 2004-March 2006: HF Systems Operator, 381st Intelligence Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
5. April 2006-June 2007: VHF Systems Operator, 381st Intelligence Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
6. July 2007-August 2009: Senior Voice Controller, 381st Intelligence Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
7. August 2009-July 2010: NCOIC, Mission Enhancement Teams, 381st Intelligence Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
8. July 2010-July 2011: Language Analysis Senior Trainer, 381st Intelligence Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
(August 2011-February 2012: Geo-Spatial Metadata Analyst, Forward Operating Base Ripley, CJSOTF-Afghanistan)
9. March 2012-June 2013: Shift Supervisor, Watch Operations, 381st Intelligence Squadron, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska
10. July 2013-December 2015: Senior Analyst, Air Mobility Tactics & Adversary Studies Element (AMTASE), 22d Intelligence Squadron, Rosecrans Air National Guard Base, Mo.
11. January 2016-August 2018: NCOIC, Mission Management, 381st Intelligence Squadron, JB Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska
12. August 2018-July 2019: Flight Chief, National Tactical Integration, 381st Intelligence Squadron, JB Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska
13. August 2019-May 2021: Manager, Intelligence Analysis Division, HQ AFRC/A2, Robins AFB, Ga.
14. May 2021-September 2023: Manager, ISR Unit Support, Combat & Space Forces, HQ AFRC, Robins AFB, Ga.
15. September 2023-July 2024: Instructor, Enlisted Undergraduate Space Training, 319th Combat Training Squadron, Peterson SFB, Colo.
16. July 2024-June 2025: IMA to the Senior Enlisted Leader, Space Delta 7, Peterson SFB, Colo.
17. June 2025-January 2026: Senior Enlisted Leader, Joint Functional Component Command - Integrated Missile Defense, Schriever SFB, Colo.
18. January 2026-Present: Command Senior Enlisted Leader, Joint Task Force - Gold, U.S. Northern Command, Peterson SFB, Colo.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters Joint
Service Commendation Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal
Joint Service Achievement Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2011 Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year, 381st Intelligence Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
2013 CMSgt Stu Engbretson Junior Tactics Analyst of the Year, Air Force ISR Agency (AFISRA)
2017 Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year, 381st Intelligence Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
2020 Senior Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year, HQ AFRC/A2, Robins AFB, Ga.
2021 AFISRAP and Senior Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year, HQ AFRC/A2, Robins AFB, Ga.
2020 Senior Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year, HQ AFRC/A2, Robins AFB, Ga.
2025 German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge (Bronze), Peterson SFB, Colo.

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman Basic July 23, 2002
Airman First Class September 9, 2002
Senior Airman January 9, 2005
Staff Sergeant December 1, 2007
Technical Sergeant January 1, 2014
Master Sergeant November 1, 2018
Senior Master Sergeant August 1, 2021
Chief Master Sergeant October 1, 2024

(Current as of February 2026)





CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT WAYNE T. SHARP

CMSgt Wayne T. Sharp serves as the Command Chief for the 5th Bomb Wing, Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota. He is the primary advisor to the Bomb Wing Commander on matters of readiness, professional development, health, welfare, discipline, quality of life, and force utilization. He ensures the wing's Airmen are combat ready in support of B-52 bombers, providing long-range strike capability for combatant operations worldwide.

Chief Sharp entered the Air Force in February 1998. He graduated from the Security Forces Law Enforcement Apprentice Course at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas in June 1998. His background includes various duties in Security Forces including Force Protection Airborne Surveillance Systems and Ground Combat Training Instructor at Silver Flag Alpha, Creech Air Force Base, Nevada. His assignments include bases in Missouri, South Korea, Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, and Texas. He has also deployed in support of Operation ALLIED FORCE, Operations SOUTHERN WATCH and IRAQI FREEDOM.

Prior to this assignment, he served as the Command Chief, 325th Fighter Wing, Tyndall Air Force Base, Florida.



EDUCATION

- 1998 Law Enforcement Apprentice Course, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
- 1999 TASS Administrator Course, Indian Springs Auxiliary Air Field, Nev.
- 2004 Airman Leadership School, Luke AFB, Ariz.
- 2004 Security Forces Noncommissioned Officer Course, Ground Combat Skills, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 2006 Force Protection Airborne Surveillance Systems Course, Creech AFB, Nev.
- 2007 Principles of Instruction, in residence, Creech AFB, Nev.
- 2008 Remote Operated Video Enhanced Receiver / Mini Video Receiver Special Operations Course, Fort Pickett, Va.
- 2008 Electronic Security Systems Course, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 2009 Army / Navy Electronic Warfare Officer Course / JIEEDO, Fort Huachuca, Ariz.
- 2011 Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 2012 Associate in Applied Science in Criminal Justice, Community College of the Air Force
- 2012 Senior Non-Commissioned Officer Course 14, Air University, by correspondence
- 2012 Professional Managers Certification, Community College of the Air Force
- 2013 First Sergeant Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2015 Associates in Human Resources, Community College of the Air Force
- 2016 Senior Enlisted Professional Military Education, by correspondence
- 2018 Bachelors in Applied Science in Criminal Justice, Ashford University
- 2019 Security Forces Advanced Leaders Course, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 2020 Security Forces Manager Course, Joint Base Andrews, Md.
- 2020 AFPC Squadron Commander & Superintendent Course, by correspondence
- 2021 Chief Leadership Course, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.





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- 2021 Senior Executive Legal Orientation, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2021 Command Chief Orientation, Joint Base Andrews, Md.
- 2022 Senior Enlisted Professional Military Education II, by correspondence
- 2022 Wing Commander/Command Chief Course, Montgomery, Ala.
- 2023 Air Force Strategic Leader Course, Air University, Ala.
- 2023 Enterprise Leadership Seminar. University of North Carolina, N.C.
- 2024 Leading Strategically Seminar, Center for Creative Leadership, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 2024 Global/Regional Course - Europe and South Asia, Washington D.C.
- 2025 Global/Regional Course - Latin America, Washington D.C.
- 2025 Senior Leader Nuclear Management Course - (NUC 400), Kirtland AFB, N.M.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. February 1998–June 1998, Trainee, Basic Military Training, 323rd Training Squadron, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
2. June 1998–June 2001, PL1 Entry Controller, 509th Security Forces Squadron, Whiteman AFB, Miss.
3. June 2001–June 2002, Desk Sergeant/RTO, 51st Security Forces Squadron, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea
4. June 2002–September 2006, Patrolman/NCOIC, Pass and Registration, Security Forces Squadron, Luke AFB, Ariz.
5. September 2006–November 2010, TASS/FPASS/IBD Instructor/Bravo Flight Chief, 99th Ground Combat Training Squadron, Creech AFB, Nev.
6. November 2010–July 2013, Flight Chief/NCOIC Crime Prevention/Physical Security/Installation Resource Protection Program Manager, 377 Security Forces Squadron, Kirtland AFB, N.M.
7. July 2013–September 2015, First Sergeant, 377th Medical Group, Kirtland AFB, N.M.
8. September 2015–August 2017, First Sergeant, 58th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Kirtland AFB, N.M.
9. September 2017–March 2019, First Sergeant, 5th Maintenance Squadron, Minot AFB, N.D.
10. March 2019–September 2019, Superintendent Plans and Programs, 5th Security Forces Squadron, Minot AFB, N.D.
11. September 2019–August 2020, Security Forces Manager, 5th Security Forces Squadron, Minot AFB, N.D.
12. August 2020–June 2022, Security Forces Manager, 82d Security Forces Squadron, Sheppard AFB, Texas
13. June 2022–June 2024, Command Chief, 325th Fighter Wing, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
14. June 2024–Present, Command Chief, 5th Bomb Wing, Minot AFB, N.D.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

- Legion of Merit
- Meritorious Service Medal with five oak leaf clusters
- Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf cluster
- Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf clusters
- Air Force Recognition Ribbon

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2012 Air Force Material Command GEICO Military Service Award
- 2013 Air Force Nuclear Weapon Center Spirit of Hope Award
- 2014 377th Air Base Wing First Sergeant of the Year
- 2015 Air Force Nuclear Weapon Center First Sergeant of the Year
- 2016 58th Special Operations Wing First Sergeant of the Year
- 2018 Air Force First Sergeant of the Year

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROMOTION

Chief Master Sergeant September 1, 2020

(Current as of October 2025)



CMDCM (EWS/EXW/SW/AW/FPJ)

SHAWN R. SIMMONS JR

COMMAND MASTER CHIEF

EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL GROUP TWO



Master Chief Simmons is a native of Lexington, Virginia. He enlisted in the United States Navy in October 2002 under the Delayed Entry Program while attending Rockbridge County High School. Upon graduation, he reported to Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Illinois, in September 2003, followed by Naval Aircrew Candidate School at Naval Air Station Pensacola. He then reported to his first command at Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base New Orleans.

In 2006, he was force converted to Storekeeper and assigned to Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit Ten as a supply clerk. In 2008, after advancement to Petty Officer Second Class, he was selected for Explosive Ordnance Disposal training. He attended Naval Dive Preparatory School in Great Lakes, Illinois, followed by Naval Diving and Salvage Training Center in Panama City, Florida, and graduated from the Naval School Explosive Ordnance Disposal at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, in January 2010.

Master Chief Simmons' operational assignments include Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit TEN in Fort Story, Virginia; Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit ELEVEN in Imperial Beach, California; and Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Units TWO and TWELVE in Little Creek, Virginia. He has also served as an instructor at the Naval Diving and Salvage Training Center in Panama City Beach, Florida. He served as the Command Master Chief of Explosive Ordnance Disposal Training and Evaluation Unit TWO in Fort Story, Virginia, and currently serves as the Command Master Chief for Explosive Ordnance Disposal Group TWO.

He is a graduate of the Navy Leadership and Ethics Center Command Master Chief and Chief of the Boat course, as well as the Joint Special Operations Command Senior Enlisted Academy, and holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Norwich University. His warfare qualifications include Enlisted Explosive Ordnance Disposal Warfare Specialist, Expeditionary Warfare Specialist, Surface Warfare Specialist, and Aviation Warfare Specialist. He is also designated as a Master Training Specialist and Naval Free Fall Parachutist.

His personal decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, four Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals, one Army Commendation Medal, and seven Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals. He has also earned the Combat Action Ribbon, Valorous Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Commendation, and multiple campaign and service awards in support of Operations Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom, New Dawn, and Inherent Resolve. He was recognized as the 2022 Force Master Chief Anthony Santino Leadership Award recipient and a 2025 Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy Delbert D. Black Leadership Award finalist.

Master Chief Simmons is the proud father of three children: Shawn (18), Alyssa (16), and Jayden (14).



CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT JEFFERY D. SIPOS

Chief Master Sgt. Jeffery D. Sipos serves as Command Chief Master Sergeant of the 509th Bomb Wing, Whiteman Air Force Base, Missouri. As the wing's Senior Enlisted Leader, he is responsible to the wing commander on matters affecting readiness, training, health, welfare, morale, quality of life, and professional development of the command's 3,900 enlisted Airmen. He ensures the wing's Airmen are always ready to provide strategic deterrence, global strike capabilities, and combat support to U.S. Strategic Command and other geographic combatant commands. He also has a responsibility to multiple partner units, including an Air Force Reserve wing, a Missouri Air National Guard wing, a reconnaissance squadron, a Missouri Army National Guard battalion, and 6,000 family members, civilians, and retirees.

Chief Master Sgt. Sipos entered the Air Force in April 1996. He graduated from the Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration (HVAC/R) Apprentice Course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas. He has held a variety of leadership positions at the squadron and group levels for the civil engineering and combat communications career fields. He served as the Senior Enlisted Leader, 18th Civil Engineer Group, Kadena Air Base, Okinawa, Japan. Chief Sipos has deployed in support of operations Southern Watch, Enduring Freedom, and Iraqi Freedom. Prior to assuming his current role, he served as the 72nd Air Base Wing Command Chief, Tinker Air Force base, Oklahoma.



EDUCATION

- 2001 Airman Leadership School, Yokota Air Base, Japan
- 2006 Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, Robins Air Force Base, Ga.
- 2010 Associate of Applied Science, Mechanical and Electrical Technology, Community College of the Air Force
- 2013 Senior Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
- 2015 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education, by correspondence
- 2015 Professional Manager Certification, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2016 Naval War College Senior Leader Course, by correspondence
- 2018 Chief Leadership Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2018 Advanced Nuclear Concepts Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2019 Command Chief Master Sergeant Training Course, Joint Base Andrews, Md.
- 2021 Senior Enlisted Legal Orientation, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2022 Continuous Process Improvement for Executives, Duke Institute for Defense & Business, N.C.
- 2022 Artificial Intelligence National Security, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.
- 2023 Impact: Human Performance for Executives, The Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
- 2025 Nuclear 400: Senior Leader Nuclear Management, Kirtland AFB, NM

ASSIGNMENTS

1. April 1996 – May 1996, Trainee, Basic Military Training, 321st Training Squadron, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
2. May 1996 – October 1996, Student, HVAC/r, 366th Training Squadron, Sheppard AFB, Texas
3. October 1996 – July 2000, HVAC/R Apprentice, 20th Civil Engineer Squadron, Shaw AFB, S.C.
4. August 2000 – August 2004, Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Journeyman, 374th Civil Engineer Squadron, Yokota Air Base, Japan
5. August 2004 – December 2008, Section Chief, Civil Engineer Support, 53rd Combat Communications Squadron, Robins AFB, Ga.





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ASSIGNMENTS CONT

6. December 2008 – February 2013, Superintendent and Additional Duty First Sergeant, Infrastructure, Undisclosed Location
7. February 2013 – August 2014, Superintendent, Facility Systems, 5th Civil Engineer Squadron, Minot AFB, N.D.
8. September 2014 – June 2015, Superintendent, Engineering Flight, 5th Civil Engineer Squadron, Minot AFB, N.D.
9. June 2015 – November 2016, Superintendent, Facility Systems, 35th Civil Engineer Squadron, Misawa AB, Japan
10. December 2016 – May 2017, Superintendent, Operations, 35th Civil Engineer Squadron, Misawa AB, Japan
11. June 2017 – April 2018, Squadron Superintendent, 5th Civil Engineer Squadron, Minot AFB, N.D.
12. May 2018 – September 2019, Group Superintendent, 5th Mission Support Group, Minot AFB, N.D.
13. October 2019 – January 2022, Group Superintendent, 18th Civil Engineer Group, Kadena AB, Japan
14. February 2022 – June 2024, Command Chief, 72nd Air Base Wing, Tinker AFB, Okla.
15. June 2024 – present, Command Chief, 509th Bomb Wing, Whiteman AFB, Mo.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit
Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Recognition Ribbon
Nuclear Defense Operations Service Medal with "N" Device

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman April 3, 1996
Airman First Class Feb. 3, 1997
Senior Airman April 3, 1999
Staff Sergeant June 1, 2001
Technical Sergeant April 1, 2006
Master Sergeant June 1, 2010
Senior Master Sergeant Jan. 1, 2014
Chief Master Sergeant July 1, 2017

(Current as of July 2025)





**Chief Petty Officer 1st Class, Jonathon SORENSEN,
MMM, CD**

Chief Petty Officer First Class (CPO1) Jonathon Sorensen began his naval career in the Naval Reserves as a Boatswain, gaining early sea experience on Canada's East Coast. He later transferred to the Regular Force as a Hull Technician, completing initial training on the West Coast before joining his first major warship and deploying extensively in domestic and international operations.

Throughout his career, CPO1 Sorensen progressed through key technical and leadership positions, including numerous roles at sea, instructional duties at Fleet School Pacific, and leadership positions within the Fleet Maintenance Facility. He played major roles in ship reactivations, readiness programs, and operational deployments at home and abroad.

As he advanced within the Hull Technician trade, he served as Senior Hull Technician and later as Marine Systems Engineering Chief, leading technical teams through demanding sailing programs and major maintenance periods. He subsequently served in Ottawa as the Marine Technician Career Manager, where he supported the career development and progression of technicians across the Royal Canadian Navy.

Upon his promotion to CPO1, he returned to the fleet as the Coxswain of HMCS Vancouver, leading the ship's company through an intensive training and deployment cycle that included RIMPAC 22, Op PROJECTION Indo-Pacific, and Op NEON. He subsequently assumed the role of Fleet Maintenance Facility Cape Breton Chief Petty Officer, providing senior leadership to the formation's technical workforce. CPO1 Sorensen served as the Combined Force Maritime Component Command Senior Enlisted Leader (CFMCC CSEL) for RIMPAC 24.

In May 2025, CPO1 Sorensen was appointed Maritime Forces Pacific Formation Chief, where he contributes to strategic leadership, sailor development and readiness, and organizational culture across the formation.

He and his spouse Carrie live in Sooke, BC, with their daughter Avery. He enjoys hockey, Skiing and other outdoor activities, and camping with family and friends.



**CMDCM (AW/SW) Antonnette “Toni” Spruill
Command Master Chief Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station
Atlantic (NCTAMS LANT)**

A native of New York, Command Master Chief Antonnette “Toni” Spruill enlisted in the Navy in November 1997. Following Basic Training, she reported to her first duty station as an undesignated seaman before her selection to Personnel Specialist Third Class.

Her sea duty assignments include USS GONZALEZ (DDG 66), COMCARAIRWING THREE (CVW 3), USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65), USS DWIGHT D EISENHOWER (CVN-69) and STRIKE FIGHTER SQUADRON ONE ZERO FIVE.

In addition, Shore duty assignments include Personnel Support Det, Oceana, CNL LS Dam Neck, Commander, Navy Reserve Forces, and Beachmaster Unit TWO.

She was selected to the Command Senior Chief Program in 2019, and advanced to Command Master Chief in 2022. She currently serves as Command Master Chief for Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area, Master Station Atlantic.

Master Chief Spruill holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Management. She is a graduate of the Advanced Command Master Chief Course, The Command Master Chief/Chief of the Boat Course, and the Senior Enlisted Academy (Class 216). She holds the Aviation Warfare, Surface Warfare, Master Training Specialist designations and Lean Six Sigma Black Belt.

Her personal decorations include Meritorious Service Medals, Navy & Marine Corps Commendation Medals, Navy & Marine Corps Achievement Medals, Combat Action Ribbon and numerous unit and expeditionary awards.



Warrant Officer James D Stewart MBE CMgr IEng FCMI MIET MCGI

Number 2 Group Command Warrant Officer

Warrant Officer James Stewart joined the Royal Air Force in 2003, specialising in communications and information systems before progressing into senior engineering, cyberspace and people focused appointments across Headquarters Air Command.

His early career included operational and overseas service at RAF Lyneham, RAF Odiham, 90 Signals Unit, the Falkland Islands and Ascension Island, where he delivered assured communications, radar, and navigational aid support. During this period, he also held a range of technical management and project delivery roles, contributing to the resilience, safety and operational effectiveness of deployed and homeland operations.

From 2019, Stewart served in a number of headquarters and profession facing roles within Air Command. These included engineering assurance within the Battlespace Management Force and later appointment as a Profession Advisor within RAF Digital. In these roles, he was responsible for workforce sustainability, training design, professional standards and the implementation of the Cyberspace profession, supporting the development of a technically credible, adaptable and warfighting ready workforce.

In 2023, Stewart was selected for an Executive Talent Strategy role within Career Management at Headquarters Air Command. There, he shaped enlisted talent policy, professional development pathways and major people initiatives. His work included leadership development programmes, retention focused learning pilots and the enhancement of Warrant Officer employment, ensuring senior enlisted capability was aligned to operational demand, organisational reform and future force requirements.

In May 2025, Stewart was appointed Number 2 Group Command Warrant Officer, becoming the senior enlisted advisor to the Air Officer Commanding. 2 Group force prepares and operates the RAF's Global Enablement capability, enabling Air and Space Power from its airbases at home and on global operations. The Group has responsibility for the RAF's 24 UK Airbases and their enabling services, Defence Airspace and Air Traffic Management, Royal Auxiliary Air Force Reserve Squadrons, and Global Enablement comprising of six federated Forces.

In this role, Stewart represents and advocates for more than 15,000 Whole Force personnel. He works in close partnership with the Air Officer Commanding, the Group's 1-star Commanders, Force Commanders, and Station Commanders to strengthen leadership, standards and inclusion, while developing an operational mindset across the force. A key focus is ensuring that people, culture and lived experience directly underpin warfighting readiness, NATO commitments and the effective delivery of force preparation and Transition to Conflict readiness.

Stewart is a Chartered Manager and Fellow of the Chartered Management Institute, an Incorporated Engineer, and a volunteer with the Institution of Engineering and Technology. In recognition of his service, he was appointed a Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire in 2022 by His Majesty King Charles III. He is also a charity trustee and has held a number of governance and advisory positions across the education and welfare sectors.

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Homeland Security*
**United States
Coast Guard**



BIOGRAPHY
Command Master Chief
Ryan Sullivan



Master Chief Ryan Sullivan assumed the duties of Command Master Chief for Patrol Forces Southwest Asia (PATFORSWA) on 17 June 2025. He advises and supports the Commodore in leading the Coast Guard's most forwardly deployed unit, comprising six 154' Fast Response Cutters, shore-side support personnel, and the Maritime Engagement Team. Under the authority of Naval Forces Central Command, PATFORSWA executes national security missions to disrupt terrorist activity by securing maritime commerce and interdicting weapons and narcotics.

Prior to this assignment, Master Chief Sullivan served as the Intelligence Specialist Rating Force Master Chief and Senior Enlisted Leader for Coast Guard Intelligence at Coast Guard Headquarters. His previous key leadership roles include Command Chief at Cryptologic Unit Colorado and Command Intelligence Officer at Air Station Savannah, GA. He also served as a Signals Intelligence Training liaison and completed an internship in the National Security Agency's Middle Enlisted Cryptologic Career Advancement Program. Early in his career, Master Chief Sullivan served as a small boat engineer and boarding team member at Station Rockland, ME.

Master Chief Sullivan joined the Coast Guard in October 2007, graduating Recruit Training at Cape May, NJ. He holds a Master of Science in Cyber Operations and a Bachelor of Science in Computer Networks and Cybersecurity and from the University of Maryland. He is an alumnus of the National Intelligence University's IC Strategic Leader Program. And he is a graduate of the Coast Guard Senior Enlisted Leadership Course (Class 91), Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer Academy (Class 236), and Intelligence Specialist A-School 01-10.

Master Chief Sullivan is authorized to wear the Defense Meritorious Service Medal with Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, the Meritorious Service Medal with Operational Distinguishing Device and Gold Star, the Coast Guard Commendation Medal, the Coast Guard Achievement Medal, and the Intelligence Professional Insignia, among other unit, personal, and service awards. He is a native of Colorado Springs, CO.

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CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT JOSHUA S. TRUNDLE

CMSgt Joshua S. Trundle is the Command Chief Master Sergeant, U.S. Air Force Warfare Center. As the senior enlisted leader, Chief Trundle serves as the primary advisor to the commander on matters concerning five wings and two named units with more than 13,000 military and civilian personnel serving in the 57th Wing, 53rd Wing, 99th Air Base Wing, 505th Command and Control Wing, 350th Spectrum Warfare Wing, the Nevada Test and Training Range and the Air Force Joint Test Program Office. The center develops innovative leaders and provides Airmen with proven and tested technology, the most current tactics, academic training and opportunities to practice integrated force employment.

Chief Trundle entered the Air Force in October 1996 and graduated from the Louis F. Garland Department of Defense Fire Academy at Goodfellow Air Force Base in San Angelo, Texas. He has spent his career primarily working in the Fire Protection arena but has also served as a First Sergeant. His assignments include bases in Alabama, Texas, California, Montana, Hawaii and he has served overseas in South Korea, United Kingdom, and Italy. Prior to his current position, he served as the Command Chief Master Sergeant, 51st Fighter Wing, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea.



EDUCATION

- 2000 Airman Leadership School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2002 Associate in Applied Science degree in Fire Science, Community College of the Air Force
- 2002 Associate in Applied Science degree in Instructor of Technology and Military Science, CCAF
- 2004 Bachelor of Science degree in Fire Science Management, Cum Laude, Southern Illinois University
- 2007 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Kapaun Air Station, Germany
- 2008 Royal Air Force Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, RAF Halton, United Kingdom
- 2010 First Sergeant Academy, Maxwell AFB, Gunter Annex, Ala.
- 2010 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell AFB, Gunter Annex, Ala.
- 2011 Professional Manager Certification, CCAF
- 2017 Chief Leadership Course, Maxwell AFB, Gunter Annex, Ala.
- 2018 Designated Chief Fire Officer, Center for Professional Service Excellence
- 2021 Senior Enlisted Legal Orientation Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2021 Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership, Western Kentucky University
- 2021 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina
- 2022 Continuous Process Improvement for Executives, Duke University
- 2024 Enterprise Perspective Seminar, Alan L. Freed Associates, Inc.
- 2024 Senior Enlisted Joint PME II Correspondence Course





ASSIGNMENTS

1. November 1996 - December 1996, Trainee, Basic Military Training, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
2. December 1996 - March 1997, Louis F. Garland Department of Defense Fire Academy, Goodfellow AFB, Texas
3. March 1997 - March 2001, Firefighter/Driver Operator/Crew Chief, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
4. March 2001 - March 2005, Instructor/Instructor Supervisor, Goodfellow AFB, Texas
5. March 2005 - February 2006, Assistant Fire Chief for Operations, Kunsan Air Base (AB), Republic of Korea
6. February 2006 - May 2010, Station Chief/Assistant Fire Chief for Training and Operations/Deputy Fire Chief, RAF Mildenhall, United Kingdom (September 2007-January 2008, Station Chief, 332d Expeditionary Civil Engineer Sq, Balad AB, Iraq)
7. May 2010 - November 2011, First Sergeant, 48th Intelligence Squadron/548th Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance Group, Beale AFB, Calif. (November 2011-May 2012, First Sergeant, 386th Expeditionary Security Forces Sq, Ali Al Salem AB, Kuwait)
8. May 2012 - May 2013, First Sergeant, 13th Intelligence Squadron, Beale AFB, Calif.
9. May 2013 - July 2015, Installation Fire Chief, 341st Civil Engineer Squadron, Malmstrom AFB, Mont.
10. July 2015 - February 2016, Superintendent, 7 AF Engineer Directorate, Osan AB, Republic of Korea (February-August 2016, Deputy Fire Chief, Osan AB, Republic of Korea)
11. August 2016 - June 2019, Installation Fire Chief, 31st Civil Engineer Squadron, Aviano AB, Italy
12. July 2019 - May 2021, Senior Enlisted Advisor to the Director for Logistics, Engineering, and Force Protection and Command Fire Chief, JBPH-H, Hawaii (February-September 2020, Superintendent, 647th Security Forces Squadron, JBPH-H, Hawaii)
13. May 2021 - June 2023, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 501st Combat Support Wing, RAF Fairford, United Kingdom
14. June 2023 - July 2025, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 51st Fighter Wing, Osan AB, Republic of Korea.
15. July 2025 - present, Command Chief Master Sergeant, U.S. Air Force Warfare Center, Nellis AFB, Nev.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit with one oak leaf cluster
Meritorious Service Medal with eight oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Achievement Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2005 8th Civil Engineer Squadron NCO of the Year
2007 100th Air Refueling Wing/Team Mildenhall NCO of the Year
2007 Distinguished Graduate, Kisling NCO Academy
2008 United States Air Forces in Europe Fire Officer of the Year
2011 548th ISR Group, First Sergeant of the Year
2014 Air Force Global Strike Command Fire Officer of the Year
2016 Merit Citation, Office of the Governor, Gyeonggi Province, Republic of Korea
2016 United States Air Forces in Europe SMSgt McAllister Firefighter Heroism Award

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman Basic Oct. 24, 1996
Airman April 24, 1997
Airman First Class Feb. 24, 1998
Senior Airman Oct. 24, 1999
Staff Sergeant Feb. 1, 2002
Technical Sergeant July 1, 2005
Master Sergeant July 1, 2008
Senior Master Sergeant Oct. 1, 2012
Chief Master Sergeant March 1, 2017

(Current as of September 2025)





SGM Jovan C. Velasquez

SGM Velasquez was raised in Fayetteville, North Carolina. He enlisted in the Army in August 2000 and attended Basic Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. His advanced individual training was at Fort Gordon, Georgia and awarded the Military Occupational Specialty 25U, Signal Support Systems Specialist.

He assumed duties as the NORAD and USNORTHCOM J6 Senior Enlisted Advisor in June 2025. His previous assignments include Signal Support Specialist, 2nd Forward Support BN, Camp Hovey S. Korea; Retrans Operator & Team Leader, 103rd Military Intelligence BN, Fort Stewart, Georgia; Detailed Recruiter, Beckley Recruiting BN, West Virginia; Air Command and Control Technician & Signal Support Staff NCO, HQ, 25th ID, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; Switching Systems Technician & First Sergeant, White House Communications Agency, Washington, D.C.; Signal Support Systems Chief, 1/25th SBCT, Fort Wainwright, Alaska; Operations Sergeant Major & Command Sergeant Major, 44th Expeditionary Signal Battalion - Enhanced, Baumholder, Germany; Command Sergeant Major, 93d Signal Brigade (STRATEGIC), Joint Base Langley-Eustis. He has three tours to Iraq (OIF I, OIF VIII, & Operation NEW DAWN).

SGM Velasquez's military education includes all levels of the Noncommissioned Officer Education System (USASMA CL69), Nominative Leaders Course, Battalion and Brigade Pe-Command Course, Master Resilience Trainer, Army Space Cadre Course, Security+, Co CDR/ISG Course, Equal Opportunity Leaders Course, Combatives, and the Army Recruiter Course. He's earned an associates in general studies, a bachelors in Sports and Health Science, and a masters in Sports Management w/ a certificate in Sports Administration.

His awards include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal (1OLC), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (2OLC), Army Commendation Medal (1OLC), Army Achievement Medal (1OLC), Good Conduct Medal and many other awards and ribbons. He also has the Presidential Service Badge, Gold Recruiter Badge, Army Space Badge, Schutzenschnur Badge (Gold) and a recipient of the Regimental Signal Corps Association's Bronze Order of Mercury.

SGM Velasquez is married to the former Kimberly Knight, and they have four children: Jovan Jr, Jaylen, Julian, and Kendra.

 **United States Navy**
Biography →

FORCE MASTER CHIEF PATRICK C. WEST
UNITED STATES NAVY
FORCE MASTER CHIEF - NAVAL SPECIAL WARFARE COMMAND



Master Chief West is the Naval Special Warfare Command (NSWC) Force Master Chief. NSWC is the component headquarters for Naval Special Warfare (NSW) located in Coronado, California.

Master Chief West is a native of Georgia and a 1990 graduate of Savannah H.S. In January 1991, he enlisted in the Navy and attended Gunner's Mate "A" School. He then reported to Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL School (BUD/S) and graduated with Class 186 in February of 1993. After graduating BUD/S, he reported to his first duty station with SEAL Team TWO, where he completed multiple deployments to Europe, the Mediterranean, and Africa.

His follow-on assignments include Naval Special Warfare Center Advanced Training Command Detachment Little Creek, where he taught Static-line Jump Master and air operations skills, and on to SEAL Team TEN serving as Platoon Chief from 2002 through 2007.

Next, he was assigned to Naval Special Warfare Group TWO Training Detachment serving as the Senior Enlisted Leader (SEL) and lead instructor for Tactical Ground Mobility and range developer, then to Naval Special Warfare Group TWO Resourcing and Requirements as the Program Manager for Family of Special Operation Vehicles.

Returning to an operational capacity, he was assigned to SEAL Team FOUR as the Joint Operations Center Chief before moving to serve as the Troop Senior Enlisted Advisor. Subsequently, he was assigned to Naval Special Warfare Group TWO as the Operations SEL.

His command tours consisted of serving as SEAL Team EIGHTEEN Command Master Chief, Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-I 19-2 Command Master Chief, Naval Special Warfare Group ELEVEN Command Master Chief, and Naval Special Warfare Command Deputy Force Master Chief. In July 2025, he was selected to his current assignment as the Naval Special Warfare Force Master Chief.

Military academic achievements include United States Navy Senior Enlisted Academy, Joint Professional Military Education, Combined/Joint Force Special Operations Component Commanders Course, the Joint Special Operations Summit Course, and a graduate of Excelsior University.



CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT TRENTON R. "MIDAS" WILLIAMS

CMSgt Trenton Ross Williams is the Command Chief of the 118th Wing, Berry Field Air National Guard Base, Nashville, Tennessee. He is responsible for advising commanders and staff on all areas to provide mission effectiveness, professional development, military readiness, training, utilization, health, morale, and welfare of the commander's enlisted Airmen. He provides leadership to the enlisted force to enhance combat capability, readiness, and quality of life for a community of nearly 1200 military members and their dependents. Chief Williams previously served as ANG Chief Master Sergeant Orientation Course as Lead Facilitator.

Chief Williams enlisted in the Tennessee Air National Guard in March 1991, joining the 105th Airlift Squadron as a C-130 Loadmaster. While assigned to 105th Airlift Squadron, he was mobilized and deployed on multiple occasions in support of operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. In 2008, the 105th Airlift Squadron became a formal training unit under AETC where he was selected as the Formal Training School Course Manager. Chief Williams served as a Loadmaster Instructor/Evaluator, training U.S. and International Students. In 2012, the 118th Wing transferred to ACC, then converted the 105th to a new MQ-9 Attack Squadron where he served as a MQ-9 Sensor Operator Instructor/Evaluator. In 2018, he was selected as the 118th Operations Support Squadron Senior Enlisted Advisor. Prior to his current position, he served as the 118th Operations Group Superintendent, 118th Wing, Berry Field Air National Guard Base, Nashville, Tennessee.



EDUCATION

- 1991 Air Force Basic Training, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 1994 Advanced Airlift Tactics Training Course, Rosecrans Airfield, St Joseph, Mo.
- 1996 Noncommissioned Officer Preparatory, by correspondence
- 1997 Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, Tennessee Technological University, Cookeville, Tenn.
- 2003 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, by correspondence
- 2007 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, by correspondence
- 2011 Associate Degree in Aviation Operations, Community College of the Air Force
- 2011 Associate Degree in Instructor of Technology and Military Science, Community College of the Air Force
- 2014 Associate Degree in Air and Space Operations Technology, Community College of the Air Force
- 2018 CENTCOM Theater Course, Hurlburt AFB, Fla.
- 2018 Senior Enlisted Joint Course I, by correspondence
- 2019 Air National Guard Chiefs Executive Course, Joint Base Andrews, Md.
- 2020 Defense Support of Civil Authorities (DSCA) Phase, by correspondence
- 2020 Senior Enlisted Joint Course II, by correspondence
- 2021 Air National Guard Command Chief Master Sergeant Orientation Course, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 2021 Air Force Command Chief Orientation, Joint Base Andrews, Md.





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

- 2022 Senior Enlisted Legal Orientation Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2023 Leadership in Homeland Security, Harvard Kennedy School, Cambridge, Ma.
- 2023 Executive Management for Diversity, Inclusion and Equity, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.
- 2024 Air Force Reserve Chief Orientation Course, Robins AFB, Ga.
- 2024 Africa Regional Seminar, Alan L. Freed Associates, Washington, D.C.
- 2025 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC.
- 2025 Continuous Improvement and Innovation Executive Seminar, Duke University, Durham, NC.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1991 - May 1994, C-130 Loadmaster, 118th Aerial Port Squadron, Berry Field, Nashville, Tenn.
2. May 1994 - April 2009, C-130 Loadmaster Instr/Eval, 105th Airlift Squadron, Berry Field, Nashville, Tenn.
3. April 2009 - Sep 2012, C-130 Loadmaster Course Manager, 105th Airlift Squadron, Berry Field, Nashville, Tenn.
4. September 2012 - March 2018, Sensor Operator Evaluator, 118th Operations Support Squadron, Berry Field, Nashville, Tenn.
5. March 2018 - May 2019, Squadron Superintendent, 118th Operations Support Squadron, Berry Field, Nashville, Tenn.
6. May 2019 - October 2020, Group Superintendent, 118th Operations Group, Berry Field, Nashville, Tenn.
7. October 2020 - Present, Command Chief, 118th Wing, Berry Field, Nashville, Tenn.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Loadmaster (Instructor/Evaluator) & Sensor Operator (Instructor/Evaluator)

Flight Hours: 5948.1

Aircraft Flown: C-130B, C-130E, C-130H1, C-130H2, WC-130H, MQ-9

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

- Meritorious Service Medal with two devices
- Air Medal with one device
- Aerial Achievement Medal
- Air Force Commendation Medal
- Air Force Achievement Medal with three devices

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States (EANGUS)

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

- Airman Basic March 2, 1991
- Airman December 10, 1991
- Airman First Class July 13, 1992
- Senior Airman March 1, 1993
- Staff Sergeant September 1, 1996
- Technical Sergeant April 1, 2000
- Master Sergeant April 1, 2003
- Senior Master Sergeant May 1, 2009
- Chief Master Sergeant March 1, 2019

(Current as of March 2026)





CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER J.J. YERMIY

COMMAND CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER CANADIAN SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES COMMAND

Chief Warrant Officer (CWO) Jason Yermiy enrolled in the Canadian Armed Forces in October 1995 as an Infanteer. Following basic training and and his TQ3, he was posted to the 3rd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI) in CFB Edmonton in May of 1996.

From 1996 to 2006, CWO Jason Yermiy honed his abilities as a Light Infantry soldier through numerous courses and deployments: Bosnia in 1998 and 2000; and Afghanistan in 2002.

In 2006 CWO Yermiy completed the inaugural selection and training for the Canadian Special Operations Regiment (CSOR), where he went on to serve for the next 13 years in various capacities as a Special Forces Operator. Notably including an OUTCAN posting to US Special Operations Command North (SOCNORTH), 2014-2017, as a non-reciprocal exchange officer, for which he was awarded the US Defense Meritorious Service Medal.

Between 2019 to 2021 CWO Yermiy was selected to be the Regimental Sergeant Major (RSM) for the Canadian Special Operations Training Center (CSOTC) which oversees the leadership training of the SOF Occupations, as well as the environmental and specialist training for SOF Professionals.

In 2022 CWO Yermiy was posted to the Canadian Special Operations Forces Command (CANSOFCOM) Headquarters as the SOF Branch CWO to work alongside the Director Special Operations Forces (DSOF) providing oversight on the four Operator occupations within CANSOFCOM.

CWO Yermiy assumed his current position as the CANSOFCOM Command Chief Warrant Officer (CCWO) in July of 2024.

SENIOR FELLOWS

Schultz, Karl

ADM, USCG (Ret)



Karl Schultz is a retired four-star Admiral who last served on active duty as the 26th Commandant of the United States Coast Guard from June 2018 to June 2022. His tenure as a flag officer spanned 12 years, and prior to becoming Service Chief, served as the three-star Atlantic Area Commander responsible for execution of all Coast Guard missions from the Rocky Mountains east to the Arabian Gulf. Other flag assignments were joint duty as Director of Operations (J-3), United States Southern Command; Eleventh Coast Guard District Commander; and Director, Coast Guard Governmental and Public Affairs where he oversaw the Service's engagement with Congress, the media, and other external stakeholders.

Over his 39-year career, Schultz held command at seven paygrades, including 3 multi-mission cutters, one of the Service's most dynamic multi-mission Sectors, and as a flag officer at the District, Area, and Service Chief levels. As Commandant his bold vision and purposeful execution of a comprehensive four-year strategic plan optimally positioned the Service to protect the Homeland, enhance the Nation's economic prosperity, and advance America's maritime interests across the globe. Of note, he led through a period of unprecedented demand for Coast Guard services from both the Administration and DoD Geographic Combatant Commanders, a milestone period for the Service's recapitalization of both operational capabilities and infrastructure, and through the unique challenges presented by the most active hurricane seasons on record, a 35-day partial government shutdown leaving Coast Guardsmen unpaid, and a protracted Global Pandemic.

Schultz is a 1983 graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, earned a Master of Public Administration degree from the University of Connecticut, and completed a one-year National Security Fellowship at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government. Staff assignments include Congressional and State Department liaison tours, as well as assignments in both personnel management and operations.

He serves as a Senior Fellow at the National Defense University and on various Advisory Boards, including the University of North Carolina's Institute for Defense and Business (IDB), for SAILDRONE - a maritime defense company building autonomous systems, and for the National Medal of Honor Center for Leadership (NMOHCFL) in Mt. Pleasant, SC.



Gregory A Smith is the Chief Technology Officer for US Africa Command (USAFRICOM). He serves as the senior technology advisor to the commander on Department of War and commercial innovation pathways, ensuring successful integration of emerging capabilities. Greg works closely with key stakeholders across the innovation ecosystem to support military operations and activities, to advance US national security interests in Africa. He also serves as a Senior Fellow at the National Defense University and Adjunct Instructor at the Joint Special Operations University.

Greg served 33 years through multiple Special Operations assignments. He qualified as an AC-130U Aerial Gunner in 1996 and served as lead, instructor, and evaluator gunner throughout his career. Greg was part of the first team to deploy following the terror attacks on 9/11. In mid-September 2001, He established the first forward operating base and then deployed to Pakistan where he established the first forward operating location while part of an interagency team. He was selected as the Command Senior Enlisted Leader for Special Operations Command Europe (SOCEUR) in 2013. While at SOCEUR, Greg led special operations forces through multiple contingencies in Ukraine, Turkey, and operations in Syria. In 2015, Greg became the Command Senior Enlisted Leader for NATO Special Operations Headquarters (NSHQ). In this role, he synchronized Allied Special Operations Forces for employment in support of NATO missions. From 2016 to 2019, Greg served as the Command Chief, Air Force Special Operations Command. His last assignment was as Command Senior Enlisted Leader for United States Special Operations Command.

Greg completed 14 air and ground combat deployments throughout his career, supporting operations in the Balkans, Iraq, Afghanistan, and Africa. He has flown more than 3500 hours in the AC-130H/U/J, HH-60H, and various aircraft, including 1400 combat hours. He holds a bachelor's degree in political science, and certificates for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Carnegie Mellon University. Greg's awards include the Air Force Distinguished Service Medal, the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, Air Medal w/Valor with nine oak leaf clusters, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Aerial Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters, Combat Action Medal, Polish Medal with Gold Bar, Lithuanian Armed Forces Medal for Special Operations, and the NATO Medal for Yugoslavia.

KEYSTONE STAFF

Bonnie J. Swanson
Director
Capstone, Keystone, Pinnacle



Bonnie Swanson is a native of Ellington, CT and a graduate of Ellington High School. After her freshman year at the University of Connecticut, she enlisted in the USMCR. Upon completing recruit training at Parris Island, SC, Bonnie returned to UCONN to continue her studies and reserve service with 6th Motor Transport Battalion, Providence, RI. In 1988 she graduated from UCONN with a Liberal Arts degree (Sociological and Educational Behavior Development) and accepted her commission in the USMC. After completion of The Basic School in 1989 and her assignment as a Military Police Officer, Bonnie reported to MCAS Cherry Point, NC for duty as a Platoon Commander and Services Officer.

In 1992, Bonnie was assigned as the Operations Officer for Recruiting Station, Baltimore, MD. Serving as an OpsO for 3 years, Bonnie was selected as the 4th Marine Corps District Contact Team Officer, Harrisburg, PA. Leading a team of three Master Gunnery Sergeants, the Contact Team trained over 350 recruiters and command group members within a 7 state area.

In 1997 Bonnie received orders to MCB, Camp Lejeune, NC as the Operations Officer, Provost Marshal's Office. She simultaneously served as the Commanding Officer, Military Police Company (330+ Marines) during this tour.

In January of 2001, Bonnie was hired by the National Defense University as the Executive Officer of Capstone. Over the years her position has evolved into the Deputy Director of Pinnacle (3 star course), Capstone, and Keystone (Command Senior Enlisted course). In March of 2026 she was moved to the Director position.

Bonnie has numerous military decorations and has attended many military schools, including the Basic Law Enforcement Academy at Lackland AFB, TX and the Advanced Military Police Academy at Fort McClellan, AL. She is still a record holder at UCONN for many soccer goalkeeping statistics, including the most shutouts in a career (41.5).

In 2005 Bonnie completed a Master's Degree in Organizational Management from the University of Phoenix.



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