



Command Sgt. Maj. James R. Holmes III enlisted in the U.S. Army in January 1995 as a Canon Fire Direction Specialist (13E). He received Basic Combat Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. After his first enlistment, Command Sgt. Maj. Holmes received Advance Individual Training at Fort Lee, Virginia and was awarded the MOS 92A (Automated Logistic Specialist).

Command Sgt. Maj. Holmes' stateside assignments include Fort Bragg, North Carolina 3/319<sup>th</sup> Airborne Field Artillery Regiment (AFAR), 307<sup>th</sup> Forward Support Battalion (FSB), 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division, and Special Operations Sustainment Brigade (Airborne) (USASOC); Atlanta, Georgia Atlanta Recruiting Battalion (USAREC); Fort Eustis, Virginia 235<sup>th</sup> Signal Company, 558<sup>th</sup> Transportation Company, and Special Troops Battalion, 7th Sustainment Brigade; Fort Hood, Texas 4<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade, 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division Sustainment Brigade and Fort Lee, Virginia 266<sup>th</sup> Quartermaster Battalion, 23<sup>rd</sup> Quartermaster Brigade. His overseas assignments include Schweinfurt, Germany 1/77<sup>th</sup> Armor Battalion and Kaiserslautern, Germany 405<sup>th</sup> Army Field Support Brigade; Fort Shafter, Hawaii Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion (USARPAC). He has deployed to Kosovo, Kuwait (in support of OIF), and Afghanistan in support Operation New Dawn, Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Freedom's Sentinel.

His duty positions consist of ULLS-G Section NCOIC, Subsistence NCOIC, Material Storage and Handling NCOIC, Supply Support Activity (SSA) NCOIC, Platoon Sergeant, Recruiter, Logistics NCOIC, First Sergeant, Distribution Sergeant Major, Support Operations Sergeant Major, Battalion and Brigade Command Sergeant Major.

His military education includes all levels of the Noncommissioned Officer Education System, culminating with the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy. He is a graduate of the Basic Airborne Course, Recruiting and Retention Course, Support Operations Course, Battle Staff Course, First Sergeant Course, Joint Logistic Course, Master Resilience Course, Manpower and Force Management Course, Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education (SEJPME 1 & 2) Course as well as numerous other logistical related courses.

Command Sgt. Maj. Holmes has a Bachelor's of Science in Business Administration with a concentration in Logistics and a Master's in Business Administration with a concentration in Strategic Leadership from Trident University International (TUI). He received his Demonstrated Master Logistician (DML) designation from the US Army Logistics University in conjunction with The International Society of Logistics (SOLE).

Command Sgt. Maj. Holmes' military awards and decorations include the; Legion of Merit (LOM); Bronze Star Medal (2<sup>nd</sup> award), Meritorious Service Medal (4<sup>th</sup> award), Joint Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (4<sup>th</sup> award), Army Achievement Medal (6<sup>th</sup> award), Army Good Conduct Medal (8<sup>th</sup> award), National Defense Service Medal (w/ Bronze Star), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Kosovo Campaign Medal (w/Bronze Star), Afghanistan Campaign Medal (w/2 Bronze Stars), Iraq Campaign Medal (w/Bronze Star), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon (numeral 5), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (numeral 3), Kosovo NATO Medal, ISAF NATO Medal (w/2Bronze Star), Army Superior Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Award, the Airborne Badge, Driver's Badge, Army Recruiter Badge (Gold) and Thailand Jump Wings. Command Sgt. Maj. Holmes is also a member of the Sergeant Audie Murphy and Sergeant Morales Club and is a recipient of The Distinguished Order of St. Martin and Honorable Order of St. Christopher.