

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

STENNING, John Spencer

MSM

Corporal

Task Force local purchase officer for Special Operations Forward Operating Base

CG: Not Gazetted

AWARDED: 06 April 2009

DOI: 2008

“Corporal Stenning was deployed as the Task Force local purchase officer and supply technician for the Special Operations Forward Operating Base. With his exceptional technical expertise, strong work ethic and ingenuity, he implemented innovative methods for goods procurement and delivery to the task force. This enhanced the force’s effectiveness and increased its ability to support Canadian Expeditionary Force Command’s mission.”

Citation released in the Honours and Recognition for men and women of the Canadian Armed Forces 2017 book.

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GOURLEY, Michael Patrick

MMM MSM CD

Chief Petty Officer 1st Class

Coxswain HMCS Charlottetown

CG: 20 June 2009

GH: 26 May 2009

DOI: December 2007 to April 2008



“Chief Petty Officer 1st Class Gourley was deployed to the Persian Gulf as the coxswain aboard HMCS Charlottetown from December 2007 to April 2008. His organizational skills ensured the ship’s seamless integration into a United States carrier strike group. His leadership and steadfast dedication enhanced both the operational readiness of the ship and morale of the crew. Chief Petty Officer 1st Class Gourley’s outstanding efforts played a vital role in the ship’s notable contribution to the campaign against terrorism.”

Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 15 March 1997 in the rank of CPO2.

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GOSSELIN, Trevor

MSM CD

Major

Commander Battle Group Tank Squadron JTF Afghanistan

CG: 20 June 2009

GH: 26 May 2009

DOI: August 2007 to March 2008

“Major Gosselin commanded the Battle Group Tank Squadron in Afghanistan, from August 2007 to March 2008. During numerous combat missions, his personal example and dedication united soldiers from different units into a seamless fighting force. His extensive knowledge of armour capabilities, limitations and tactics were key to the successful introduction of new equipment to theatre. Major Gosselin’s inspirational leadership and tactical acumen enhanced his squadron’s combat effectiveness.”

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MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

HUNTER, Steven

MSC MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted *

Lieutenant-Colonel – Royal Canadian Artillery

GH: No Entry

A Member of a Canadian Special Operations Task Force in Afghanistan

DOI: 2009

“Major Hunter demonstrated laudable front-line leadership with the Special Operations Task Force in Afghanistan. His unit excelled during intense counter-insurgency operations and disrupted the enemy’s ability to command and sustain its forces. His efforts enabled the dismantling of an improvised explosive device network responsible for Canadian casualties and the seizure of weapons and bomb-making materials. Major Hunter reduced the insurgents’ ability to operate in three key districts, bringing great credit to Canada.”

Awarded **Meritorious Service Cross (MSC)** as per **Government House** of 26 February 2018 in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. It was noted that during two separate tours as the commander of a special operations task force that he displayed unparalleled leadership and competence both times

Medals: MSC - MSM – Southwest Asia with bar Afghanistan - General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon – Peacekeeping – NATO with bar Kosovo - CD

This award noted on the Royal Canadian Artillery site on the internet.

* Citation released in the Honours and Recognition for men and women of the Canadian Armed Forces 2017 book.



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

HENDERSON, Christopher Robin ('Chris')

MSM CD

CG: 20 June 2009

Major – Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry

GH: 26 May 2009

Officer Commanding 'C' Company JTF Afghanistan

DOI: February 2007 to August 2007



"Major Henderson was deployed to Afghanistan as the officer commanding C Company, from February to August 2007. Responsible for establishing security in the Panjwayi district, he conducted highly effective counter-insurgency operations and earned the trust and respect of the local population. His mentorship of Afghan National Security forces greatly improved their operational effectiveness. In the face of adversity, his unwavering leadership ensured a Canadian presence in the district."

Medals: MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and one extra tour bar – Peacekeeping – NATO bar Former Yugoslavia – NATO bar KOSOVO - CD



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ST-DENIS, Joseph Honoré Patrick

MSM CD

CG: 20 June 2009

Commander

GH: 26 May 2009

Commanding Officer HMCS Charlottetown

DOI: November 2007 to May 2008



"As commander of Task Force Arabian Sea from November 2007 to May 2008, Commander St-Denis demonstrated exceptional professionalism and dedication. While commanding HMCS Charlottetown, he conducted maritime interdiction operations that successfully reduced terrorist activities in the area, bringing great honour to Canada."

MEDALS: MSM – Southwest Asia Medal with bar Afghanistan – CD

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

HORN, Bernd

Colonel

Director of the Canadian Forces Leadership Institute

OMM MSM CD

CG: 20 June 2009

GH: 26 May 2009

DOI: 2004 to 2007

"Between 2004 and 2007, during his tenure as director of the Canadian Forces Leadership Institute, Colonel Horn developed this organization into a nationally and internationally recognized centre of military leadership, professionalism and ethics. He also conducted a successful worldwide outreach program to share Canadian Forces concepts with military and academic audiences around the world, while bringing back best practices to benefit Canadian conceptual and doctrine development."

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 13 July 2002 in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

MEDALS: OMM – MSM – Southwest Asia – Peacekeeping – UN Cyprus – UNPROFOR – EIIR Golden Jubilee – CD and Bar



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

ALLEN, James Edward

Major – Royal Regiment of Artillery
Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

GH: 21 October 2009

DOI: February to September 2008



"Major Allen was deployed to Afghanistan with the Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team, from February to September 2008. While leading the Civil-Military Co-operation Company, he engaged key Afghan leaders and local communities on behalf of multinational aid agencies to ensure development projects were deployed where they were most needed. His mentoring of district government officials improved governance and security across 10 districts of Kandahar. Major Allen's exceptional leadership and professionalism contributed significantly to the stabilization and development of the province."

Medals: MSM – GCS with SWA ribbon – Peacekeeping – NATO bar
Former Yugoslavia – CD & Bar

AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

BUCHANAN, Todd Barry

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Warrant Officer

GH: 21 October 2009

Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team Afghanistan

DOI: February to August 2008

“Warrant Officer Buchanan was deployed to Afghanistan with an operational mentoring and liaison team, from February to August 2008. Working from both the command post and while deployed forward, he coordinated precision tactical effects that supported Afghan and coalition combat operations. On numerous occasions, his timely application of precision fires proved successful, with devastating effects on the insurgents’ ability to continue fighting, and without endangering friendly forces. Warrant Officer Buchanan’s strong mission focus and professionalism enhanced operational success in the Zharey district.”



CADE, Jamieson

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Colonel

GH: 21 October 2009

Deputy Commander Joint Task Force Afghanistan

DOI: May 2008 to February 2009

“Colonel Cade was deployed as the deputy commander of Joint Task Force Afghanistan, from May 2008 to February 2009. His leadership and unwavering determination greatly enabled the Task Force’s success in operations and in establishing constructive relationships with Afghan authorities and coalition partners. Colonel Cade’s personal commitment to significantly improving trust, respect, cohesion and understanding among government partners in pursuit of broader mission objectives, enhanced Canada’s reputation within the international community.”



Medals: MSM – General Campaign Star with ribbon Southwest Asia – SSM with bar NATO – Peacekeeping – NATO with bar Former Yugoslavia – CD and bar

AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

DEUTSCH, Michael Roy

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Major

GH: 21 October 2009

NOCTUA Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Capability Joint Task Force Afghanistan

DOI: February to September 2008



"From January to December 2008, Major Deutsch displayed great vision and a strong work ethic in overcoming challenges to bring troops together, procure equipment, and train personnel in order to implement the NOCTUA Unmanned Aerial Vehicle capability for Joint Task Force Afghanistan. Not only were these tasks completed five months after the contract was awarded, but were accomplished while Major Deutsch simultaneously carried out the demanding responsibilities of acting Wing operations officer."

Awarded a **Bar to the Meritorious Service Medal (MSM*)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 05 January 2019 in the rank of Major for the success of the Long-Range Patrol Get Well Program.

Medals: MSM and Bar – SSM with bar NATO – Canada 125 – CD and Bar

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FOREST, Michael Patrick

MMM MSM*) CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Warrant Officer

GH: 21 October 2009

'C' Company Joint Task Force Afghanistan Battle Group

DOI: February to September 2008



"Warrant Officer Forest was deployed with C Company, Joint Task Force Afghanistan Battle Group, from February to September 2008. He ensured his platoon's operational effectiveness by promoting team cohesion, reinforcing combat skills and immediately applying lessons learned from ongoing operations. Warrant Officer Forest's tenacity, foresight and leadership by example instilled a sense of confidence in his platoon members that enabled them to overcome fierce enemy opposition during the successful execution of highly complex combat missions."

Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 04 June 2016 in the rank of Master Warrant Officer.

Awarded Bar to the **Meritorious Service Medal (MSM*)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 6 July 2019 in the rank of Chief Warrant Officer for service as the RSM NATO Battle Group in Latvia.

Medals: MMM – MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon – SSM with bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UNPROFOR – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – EIIR Diamond Jubilee – CD and Bar

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

GRUBB, Stacy Allan

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Major

GH: 21 October 2009

Officer Commanding 'C' Company Joint Task Force Afghanistan Battle Group

DOI: February to September 2008

"Major Grubb was deployed to Afghanistan as the officer commanding C Company, Joint Task Force Afghanistan Battle Group, from February to September 2008. His focus on team cohesion and professional development led his subordinates to excel in a counter-insurgency environment. Despite being injured in three separate improvised explosive device incidents, he remained resolute during operations that enhanced the battle group's effectiveness. Major Grubb's leadership and dedication ensured the operational success of his rifle company."

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HAMEL, Joseph Antonio Marcel Louis

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Major – Royal Canadian Air Force

GH: 21 October 2009

Officer Commanding Tactical Air Control Party Joint Task Force Afghanistan

DOI: February to September 2008

"Major Hamel was deployed to Afghanistan as the officer commanding the Tactical Air Control Party, from February to September 2008. Through meticulous study of terrain features and insurgent tactics, he was able to focus efforts on probable fighting positions and routes, thereby seizing the initiative from the enemy. Major Hamel's strong credibility with NATO allies in Kandahar enhanced the effectiveness of available air assets. His outstanding mission focus hindered enemy activities and saved the lives of many coalition soldiers."



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HAZLETON, Charles Mark

OMM MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Colonel

GH: 21 October 2009

Deputy Chief of Staff (Operations) Regional Command South, Afghanistan

DOI: January to October 2008

"Colonel Hazleton was deployed to Afghanistan as deputy chief of staff, operations, for Regional Command (South), from January to October 2008. Working diligently in Afghanistan's most demanding and volatile region, he was highly successful at synchronizing multinational planning staffs and ensuring the timely management of coalition assets in support of regional objectives. His management of divergent and competing priorities was a testament to his dedication and foresight. Colonel Hazleton's leadership ensured the success of the coalition during countless complex operations, bringing great credit to Canada."

Medals: OMM – MSM – General Campaign Star (SWA) – SSM with bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UN Cyprus – UN Cambodia – NATO bar Former Yugoslavia (IFOR) – CD and bar

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 2010.



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

HIDIROGLOU, Yann John

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Colonel

GH: 21 October 2009

Modernizing the Canadian Forces Military Employment Structure

DOI: 2006 to 2007

"From 2006 to 2007, Colonel Hidioglou worked at modernizing the Canadian Forces Military Employment Structure. The development of a military succession planning process was essential to modern military personnel management and also helped to better position the Canadian Forces for today's operations while setting the conditions for success in the future."

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JOHNSON, Kevin Thomas

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Warrant Officer – 2 PPCLI

GH: 21 October 2009

Fire Support Coordination Centre, 2nd Battalion PPCLI Battle Group

DOI: February to September 2008

"Warrant Officer Johnson was deployed to the fire support coordination centre of the Second Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Battle Group, from February to September 2008. His ability to synthesize huge volumes of information enhanced the effectiveness of both the Tactical Air Command Post and the Battery Command Post, and ensured the successful employment of rapid and synchronized fire support to ground troops during major operations. Warrant Officer Johnson's outstanding professionalism and unwavering dedication saved Canadian lives and guaranteed the success of the battle group's operations."

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JOSHI, Vihar Govind

OMM MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Colonel – JAG (RCAF)

GH: 21 October 2009

Legal Advisor Afghan Ministry of Justice

DOI: August 2007 to August 2008



"Colonel Joshi, then lieutenant-colonel, was deployed to Afghanistan as a senior legal advisor to the Afghan Ministry of Justice, from August 2007 to August 2008. In addition to expert legal and administrative advice, he provided invaluable legal services to Afghan ministries. His exemplary and tireless efforts in helping Afghans develop a legislative drafting code were instrumental in creating conditions for the rule of law to be enshrined in the fabric of Afghan society."



Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 22 March 2014 in the rank of Colonel.

Medals: OMM - MSM – SW Asia with bar Afghanistan – Peacekeeping – UN Haiti – NATO bar former Yugoslavia (SFOR) - CD

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

LARKIN, Kelly Brian

Commander – Royal Canadian Navy
Commanding Officer HMCS Calgary

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010
GH: 21 October 2009
DOI: April to September 2008



“Commander Larkin was deployed with Task Force Arabian Sea as the commanding officer of Her Majesty’s Canadian Ship *Calgary*, from April to September 2008. His tactical acumen and leadership ensured success throughout a period of intense operations. He coordinated allied assets, maximizing operational effect and earning the confidence of international partners. His interactions with media outlets generated highly positive news coverage and greater awareness of the Canadian Navy’s impact.”



Medals: MSM – SW Asia – SSM bar NATO – CD and Bar

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LATTA, Tyler J.

Master Corporal
Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team Afghanistan

MSM

CG: 27 March 2010
GH: 21 October 2009
DOI: February to September 2008

“Master Corporal Latta, then Corporal, was deployed to Afghanistan with an operational mentoring and liaison team, from February to September 2008. On numerous occasions, while fighting alongside the Afghan National Army, he exhibited fearless tenacity while providing mentorship on fire control orders, tactical movement and platoon tactics. Master Corporal Latta’s leadership, mission focus and tactical acumen set an outstanding example for junior Afghan leaders, enhancing the capability of Afghan soldiers and saving Canadian and Afghan lives.”

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LATULIPPE, John Robert Prudent

Major
Operation of the CC-177 Globemaster III Aircraft

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010
GH: 21 October 2009
DOI: May 2007 to August 2008

“During the period of May 2007 to August 2008, Major Latulippe’s leadership and expertise in air mobility operations were critical to the Air Force’s capability to operate the newly acquired CC-177 Globemaster III aircraft. A proactive leader, he provided an innovative approach to tactical, operational and strategic doctrine resulting in many rapid successes that greatly enhanced the Air Force’s ability to respond to Canadian Forces operations with relevance and unprecedented reach.”



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

MURRAY, Marc L.S.
Corporal
JTF Afghanistan 'C' Company

MSM

CG: 27 March 2010
GH: 21 October 2009
DOI: February to September 2008

"Corporal Murray, then private, was deployed with C Company, Joint Task Force Afghanistan Battle Group, from February to September 2008. During combat operations, he did not hesitate to take charge. His outstanding leadership and decisive direction of his fellow soldiers inspired their confidence and provided his section commander with additional freedom to coordinate the entire section. Corporal Murray's dynamic spirit, composure under fire and unwavering dedication enhanced the operational effectiveness of his infantry section."

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PAGET, Steven
Commander
Chief of Staff for Task Force Arabian Sea

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010
GH: 21 October 2009
DOI: April to September 2008



"Commander Paget was deployed as the chief of staff of Task Force Arabian Sea and Combined Task Force 150 aboard Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Iroquois, from April to September 2008. His coordination skills, tireless energy and diplomatic approach ensured situational awareness and operational readiness of all coalition units, which were vital to the success of the Task Force. His initiative and dedication reinforced Canada's international reputation as an effective leader of coalition forces."

Medals: MSM – Southwest Asia with bar Afghanistan – CD and two bars



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

PETTEN, Jacob N.

MSM

CG: 27 March 2010

Master Corporal

GH: 21 October 2009

Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team Afghanistan

DOI: January to September 2008

"Master Corporal Petten, then corporal, was deployed to a remote strong point in Afghanistan with an operational mentoring and liaison team, from January to August 2008. By proactively leading efforts to enhance fighting positions, he improved force protection at the strong point. He further enhanced the capacity of Afghan soldiers by mentoring them in equipment maintenance, tactical decision making and the use of Canadian support weapons. In combat, he provided life-saving treatment during mass casualty incidents. Master Corporal Petten's outstanding leadership and medical skill ensured the success of the operations at the strong point.



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PICKARD, Jason Guy

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Warrant Officer

GH: 21 October 2009

Platoon 2nd in Command JTF Afghanistan

DOI: February to September 2008

"Warrant Officer Pickard was deployed to Afghanistan with the Canadian Battle Group, from February to September 2008. As a rifle platoon second-in-command, he skilfully balanced his soldiers' emotional needs with the requirements of intense combat during multiple battle group operations. With a focus on continuous training, he used every operation as a mechanism for teaching and mentoring his subordinates. Warrant Officer Pickard's inspirational and by-example combat leadership forged his soldiers into a cohesive combat unit, ensuring their operational success."

Awarded **Mentioned-in-Despatches (MID)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 27 March 2010 in the rank of Warrant Officer.

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

POTTS, Catherine Enid

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Major

GH: 21 October 2009

Commanding Air Capability Activation Team Afghanistan

DOI: June 2008 to January 2009



“Major Potts was deployed to Afghanistan as the officer commanding the Air Capability Activation Team, from June 2008 to January 2009. Through tireless liaison and meticulous planning, she oversaw the introduction of unmanned aerial vehicle detachments, new civilian and military helicopter capabilities, and the establishment of the Joint Task Force Afghanistan Air Wing without compromising ongoing operations at Kandahar Airfield. Major Potts’s leadership, knowledge and exemplary dedication ensured the integration of enhanced air capabilities into Task Force operations.”

Medals: MSM – Campaign General Service Star bar ISAF – Peacekeeping – NATO bar Former Yugoslavia – CD and Bar

Major Catherine (“Cathy”) Enid POTTS, MSM, CD, RCAF

- 1980: Enrolled as Supply Tech (MOC 911) in Saint John, N.B.
Posted to CFB Chatham – still manual stock record cards!
- 1986 NDHQ in ADM Mat DSM
- 1989 CFB Uplands in Base Stocktaking cell
- 1990 Officer Cadet at Royal Military College Kingston
- 1992 Graduated with BA from RMC
ADM MaT (DSM)
17 Wing Winnipeg
408 Squadron Edmonton
J4 MAT/DG LOG
ADM (DMMD)
CFJSG Kingston
Air staff HQ as Logistics Officer
- 2016 Retired from Reg Force and joined the Reserve Force remaining on the Air Staff as Logistics Officer

Her Career Highlights Included:

- Op Palladium Bosnia Roto 8 as the Squadron Logistics Officer
- OP Athena where she led the Air Wing Theatre Activation in Kandahar (awarded MSM)
- Op Assistance working with the Afghan Nation Police in Kabul
- Manitoba Floods in 1997
- G8 Summit in Kananaskis
- Op Podium for 2010 Olympics in Vancouver
- Logistic CSS SIVS to Bosnia, Kandahar and Kabul
- Awarded the CAF’s LGBT Pride Citation to acknowledge and recognize her persecution under CF LGBT policy

She wants to acknowledge her partner, Warrant Officer (retired) Brenda Hay.

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

PRIOR, John Clifton Wayne

MSM

CG: 27 March 2010

Corporal

GH: 21 October 2009

Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team Afghanistan

DOI: January to August 2008

"Corporal Prior was deployed to Afghanistan with an operational mentoring and liaison team, from January to August 2008. His initiative and understanding of logistical requirements expedited the deployment of a Canadian mentoring team to an isolated Afghan National Army outpost, and ensured they were well prepared for an intense, two-month operation. Despite increasingly determined insurgent attacks, his mentoring of Afghan soldiers ensured their composure and discipline under fire. Corporal Prior's decisive leadership ensured the operational success at the strong point."

RIFFOU, Jean-François

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Colonel – ex Royal 22e Régiment

GH: 21 October 2009

Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team Afghanistan

DOI: February to September 2008

"Colonel Riffou was deployed to Afghanistan as the commanding officer of the Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team, from February to September 2008. His outstanding mentorship of the Afghan National Army's 1 Brigade, 205 Corps brought them to the top capability milestone, and empowered the unit and its leadership to independently conduct increasingly complex operations. Colonel Riffou's patience, leadership and commanding presence inspired his subordinates, enhanced Afghan National Army operational effectiveness, and brought great credit to Canada's reputation in theatre."

MEDALS: MSM – General Campaign Star – SSM with bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UN Cyprus – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – CD & Bar



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

RITCHIE, Robert Tennant

Major – Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry
Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team Afghanistan

MSM CD (MID)

CG: 27 March 2010

GH: 21 October 2009

DOI: March to September 2008



"Major Ritchie was deployed to the Zharey district, in Afghanistan, with an operational mentoring and liaison team, from March to September 2008. His interpersonal skills and mentorship abilities culminated in the Afghan Battalion - for which he was responsible - achieving the highest level of recognized proficiency. During operations, his analytical approach, decisive actions and ability to synchronize the management of Afghan and Canadian combat assets saved Afghan lives and successfully disrupted insurgent activities. Major Ritchie's outstanding front line leadership enhanced the capability of Afghan National Army forces in the region."

Awarded **Mentioned-in-Despatches (MID)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 28 November 2008 in the rank of Major.

Medals: MSM – SWA Asia with bar Afghanistan – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and extra tour bar and MID – Peacekeeping – NATO with Kosovo ribbon – Queen's Diamond Jubilee – CD

ADC to the Chief of Defence Staff in 2010.
Commanding Officer of 2 PPCLI in 2013.



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RYAN, Brendan

Captain(N) – CO HMCS Iroquois
Deputy Commander of Task Force Arabian Sea

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

GH: 21 October 2009

DOI: April to October 2008



"Captain (N) Ryan was deployed as commanding officer of Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Iroquois and deputy commander of Task Force Arabian Sea, from April to October 2008. His command presence ensured the ship and the Task Force's success throughout the deployment. With his previous experience in the region, he was able to provide expert advice and guidance to our allies and ensured that the ship stood out in this rare international leadership role."

Medals: MSM – SWA with bar Afghanistan – SSM with bar NATO – CD and Bar

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

SMITHERS, Cameron M.

MSM

Corporal - Canadian Forces Health Services

Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team Protection Force

CG: 27 March 2010

GH: 21 October 2009

DOI: February to September 2008

"Corporal Smithers was deployed to Afghanistan with the Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team's Force Protection Unit, from February to September 2008. Throughout multiple combat operations, he directly engaged the enemy and distinguished himself as a medic capable of performing under the most adverse conditions. His sound judgment and decisive actions ensured that life-saving treatment was provided to Afghan soldiers and civilians. Corporal Smithers' exceptional skill, focus and dedication saved Afghan lives and helped repel insurgent attacks."



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STOUFFER, Martha-Anne Paule

MSM CD

Lieutenant-Colonel

Canadian Forces Strategic Airlift Contracting Capability

CG: 27 March 2010

GH: 21 October 2009

DOI: 2006 to 2008

"From 2006 to 2008, Lieutenant-Colonel Stouffer's leadership transformed strategic airlift provided to the Canadian Forces operations, greatly enhancing operational support and the reputation of the Canadian Forces throughout the air transport community. She established a highly responsive, operationally focused logistics operation, and shaped strategic airlift contracting capability that included a full-time charter ship resulting in major cost savings."

Medals: MSM – CD and Bar



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

SWANSON, Rory E.
Corporal
Joint Task Force Afghanistan

MSM

CG: 27 March 2010
GH: 21 October 2009
DOI: 21 April 2008

"On April 21, 2008, insurgents attacked a police substation, in Spin Pir, Afghanistan. In the absence of the detachment commander and second-in-command, Corporal Swanson was the senior Canadian at the substation. Given his rank and limited experience at that time, he coordinated an exceptional response to the attack. In the presence of enemy fire, he confidently directed Canadian and Afghan forces in the defence of the detachment, making effective use of all available surveillance and direct-fire assets. His leadership and devotion to duty prevented the loss of the detachment."

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WILLISTON, John Aubrey
Commander
Afghanistan Strategic Advisory Team

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010
GH: 21 October 2009
DOI: August 2007 to August 2008



"Commander Williston, then lieutenant-commander, was deployed to Afghanistan with the Strategic Advisory Team, from August 2007 to August 2008. While working in direct support of the Afghan government, he was single-handedly responsible for several high-profile initiatives that enhanced the Afghan government's communications capability. His leadership turned a group of untrained, ministry of education workers into the most sophisticated communications department in Afghanistan. Commander Williston's "Afghan-first" mentality endeared him to his Afghan colleagues and enhanced the credibility of the Canadian Forces."

Medals: MSM – Gulf War with bar – Southwest Asia Service Medal with bar Afghanistan
– Peacekeeping – UNTAC Cambodia - CD

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WOLANIUK, Terence Charles
Warrant Officer
12 Field Squadron JTF Afghanistan

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010
GH: 21 October 2009
DOI: February to September 2008



"Warrant Officer Wolaniuk was deployed with 12 Field Squadron to Patrol Base Sperwan Ghar, Afghanistan, from February to September 2008. He proactively planned and carried out infrastructure improvements that significantly enhanced force protection and soldiers' quality of life. He also improved relations with locals by seeking every opportunity to employ Afghan workers. In the troop commander's absence, he took over the leadership and successfully executed multiple complex combat operations. Warrant Officer Wolaniuk's dedication greatly contributed to operational success."

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

BLAIR, Sheila Alaine

Chief Warrant Officer - RCAF

Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team Afghanistan

MMM MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

GH: 19 March 2010

DOI: February to August 2008

"Chief Warrant Officer Blair was deployed with Joint Task Force Afghanistan as the Theatre Support Element chief warrant officer, from June to December 2008. Her diplomacy and tact contributed to the establishment of a network of co-operation that was a key enabler to Task Force operations and that, in turn, helped resolve complex and sensitive multinational issues. Chief Warrant Officer Blair's ability to motivate and turn command intent into action across the full spectrum of camp responsibilities ensured the cohesion of the unit and the success of its operations."



Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 13 July 2002 in the rank of Warrant Officer.

Medals: MMM – MSM – General Service Medal with Southwest Asia ribbon – Canada 125 – CD and Bar

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FRIDAY, Sean G.

Colonel - RCAF

Commanding Officer of the Theatre Support Element in Afghanistan

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

GH: 19 March 2010

DOI: June to December 2008

"Colonel Friday, then-lieutenant-colonel, was deployed to Southwest Asia with Joint Task Force Afghanistan as the commanding officer of the Theatre Support Element, from June to December 2008. Overseeing hundreds of air transport missions, he introduced new capabilities and techniques that improved the effectiveness of logistical support to operations. Colonel Friday's outstanding skills in diplomacy and planning, as well as his exceptional leadership, ensured the smooth operation of the camp, enhanced relations with the host nation, and ensured that critical lifelines were maintained."



Short Citation

"For exceptional leadership as the Commanding Officer of the Theatre Support Element, Joint Task Force Afghanistan, from June to December 2008."



Medals: OMM - MSM – General Campaign Star (SWA) – SSM bar NATO – Peacekeeping - EILR Diamond Jubilee – CD and bar – Meritorious Service Medal (USA)

Awarded **Meritorious Service Medal (USA)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 05 April 2003 in the rank of Major. "In 1998, Colonel Friday was posted on exchange to the United States Air Force Personnel Centre in San Antonio, Texas, where he held the position of Chief, Military Systems Project Management."

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 22 March 2003 in the rank of Colonel.

Later Commandant of Royal Military College as Brigadier-General

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

CORBOULD, Gordon David

Colonel - PPCLI

Commanding Officer 2 PPCLI Battle Group Afghanistan

MSM CD

Later awarded BAR

CG: 27 March 2009

GH: 19 March 2010

DOI: 29 February to September 2008

"Colonel Corbould, then Lieutenant-Colonel, was deployed to Afghanistan as commanding officer of the Battle Group, from February to September 2008. His exceptional leadership enabled the entire task force to maintain an offensive spirit throughout an intense summer fighting season. His combat acumen, adaptability and visionary planning contributed to the achievement of key tactical victories and stronger interpersonal bonds between coalition forces and local Afghans. Colonel Corbould's courage and calm ensured the Battle Group's operational success, furthering NATO objectives in Afghanistan."

Awarded **Bar to his MSM** as per **Government House** of 01 October 2014 in the rank of Colonel

Awarded **Officer, Legion of Merit (USA)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 28 June 2014 in the rank of Brigadier-General.

Medals: MSM and bar – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon plus one extra tour bar - SSM bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UN Cyrus – NATO Kosovo – EIIR Diamond Jubilee - CD and Bar – Officer, Legion of Merit (USA)



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

HORLOCK, Kerry William

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Lieutenant-Colonel – Logistics Officer

GH: 19 March 2010

Commanding Officer of the National Support Element Afghanistan

DOI: February to September 2008

"Lieutenant-Colonel Horlock was deployed to Afghanistan as the commanding officer of the National Support Element from February to September 2008. His meticulous planning ensured the sustainment of a vast network of critical infrastructure, and the Element's flexibility to support short-notice operations, all while overcoming the increasing threat of improvised explosive devices. Lieutenant-Colonel Horlock's exceptional focus on his mission provided the task force with the logistical support needed to maintain the offensive throughout an intense campaign."



Short Citation

"For exceptional leadership as the Commanding Officer of the National Support Element, Joint Task Force Afghanistan, from February to September 2008."

Medals: MSM – GCS with SWA ribbon – Peacekeeping – UNPROFOR with 3 on ribbon – NATO with SFOR ribbon – CD and Bar



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

KAYE, Christopher Avar

MMM MSJ MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Chief Warrant Officer – Canadian Forces Health Services

GH: 19 March 2010

Regimental Sergeant-Major for the Health Services Support Unit Afghanistan

DOI: January to September 2008



"Chief Warrant Officer Kaye was deployed to Afghanistan as the regimental sergeant-major for the Health Service Support Unit, from January to September 2008. He balanced the emotional needs of his staff with the requirements of operations, ensuring the best possible care for soldiers stationed throughout Afghanistan. He also developed pocket guides that provided critical guidance for combat casualty care, and which are now used in military medical units across Canada.

Awarded **Member of the Military Merit (MMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 25 March 2006 in the rank of Master Warrant Officer.

Medals: MMM – MSJ – MSM – Campaign Service Star with Bar (1) – SSM bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UNPROFOR – CD and Bar – St. John Ambulance Service Medal – Alberta Centennial Medal



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

KEDDY, Paul

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Colonel – Royal Canadian Air Force

GH: 19 March 2010

Commander Canadian Contingent Multinational Force and Observers El Gorah

DOI: June 2007 to July 2008

"Colonel Keddy was deployed to Operation CALUMET with the Multinational Force and Observers as chief of the Liaison Branch and commander of the Canadian Contingent Task Force El Gorah, from June 2007 to July 2008. His outstanding leadership and tactful interactions with Egyptian and Israeli representatives ensured their co-operation in the resolution of issues related to the enforcement of the 1979 Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty. Colonel Keddy's dedicated efforts ensured the maintenance of trusting relationships between the authorities of the two countries."

Short Citation

"For outstanding leadership as the Chief of the Liaison Branch and Commander of the Canadian Contingent, Task Force El Gorah, from June 2007 to July 2008."

MEDALS: MSM – SSM with bar NATO – NATO ribbon Kosovo – Multinational Force Observers (MFO) with 2 tours – EIIR Diamond Jubilee - CD and bar – American MSM



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

KLEINSCHMIDT, Peter Paul

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Captain

GH: 19 March 2010

Leading and Designing Structural Design for the CH-146 Fleet for Afghanistan

DOI: November 2008 to February 2009

"From November 2008 to February 2009, Captain Kleinschmidt provided exceptional service in support of Canadian Forces operations. He led and designed multiple high-priority structural projects for the CH146 fleet in preparation for operations in Afghanistan. Faced with extremely short timelines, he overcame many new systems integration challenges that were vital to the safety and survivability of both aircrew and aircraft. Working at an outstanding pace, he made every conceivable effort to guarantee the success of these essential projects."

Short Citation

"For outstanding dedication when he led and designed multiple high priority structural design projects for the CH-146 Griffon helicopter fleet in preparation for operations in Afghanistan from November 2008 to February 2009."

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McLEOD, Scott Andrew

OMM MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Colonel – CF Health Services

GH: 19 March 2010

CO of the Multinational Role 3 Hospital, Joint Task Force Afghanistan

DOI: February to September 2008



"Colonel McLeod, then Lieutenant-Colonel, was deployed to Afghanistan as the task force surgeon and commanding officer of the Multinational Role 3 Hospital, from February to September 2008. Through his outstanding leadership, compassion and mission-driven focus, he effectively balanced casualty care requirements with the emotional needs of his personnel. His anticipation of operational requirements ensured plans were in place to manage the expected influx of casualties associated with combat operations. Colonel McLeod's dedicated efforts enhanced the Canadian Forces' international reputation for quality operational medical care."

Short Citation

"For outstanding dedication and professionalism as the Task Force Surgeon and the Commanding Officer of the Multinational Role 3 Hospital, Joint Task Force Afghanistan, from February to September 2008."



Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 04 June 2016 in the rank of Colonel.

Medals: OMM - MSM – General Campaign Star – SSM bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UN Haiti - NATO bar Former Yugoslavia – CD

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

PEREY, Eric Jean

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Major

GH: 19 March 2010

Deputy CO, Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team Afghanistan

DOI: August 2007 to September 2008

"Major Perey was deployed to Afghanistan as the deputy commanding officer of the Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team, from August 2007 to September 2008. He was instrumental in maintaining continuity between different rotations and expanding the unit's civilian component. His team building approach and strong commitment to unity of effort allowed increased focus on Canada's governance and development objectives. Major Perey's leadership and unwavering dedication enhanced Canadian-Afghan relations and directly contributed to the success of development projects in the Kandahar province."

Short Citation

"For outstanding dedication and unwavering dedication as the Deputy Commanding Officer of the Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team (KRPT), Joint Task Force Afghanistan, from August 2007 to September 2008."

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RICARD, Joseph Paul Jacques

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

Colonel - CFHS

GH: 19 March 2010

Surgeon for Task Force Afghanistan

DOI: February to November 2006

"Colonel Ricard, then Lieutenant-Colonel, is commended for the outstanding levels of competence, dedication and leadership he displayed while deployed as the surgeon for Task Force Afghanistan, from February to November 2006. He was responsible for establishing all medical support to operations, including a Patient Evacuation Coordination Centre that, amongst other accomplishments, efficiently evacuated the wounded soldiers following two mass casualty events during combat operations. The exceptional manner in which he conducted himself, both in ensuring highly effective life-saving support to operations and in providing treatment to Afghan citizens, brought honour to the Canadian Forces and to Canada."



Awarded **NATO Meritorious Service Medal** as per **Canada Gazette** of 25 August 2007 (rank of Lieutenant-Colonel).

Medals: MSM – Somalia Medal – SW Asia Medal with bar Afghanistan
MSM – General Campaign Star with tour bar (1) – Peacekeeping –
UNDOF – UN Military Observation Group Iraq – UNPROFOR – NATO
with bar EX YUGOSLAVIA – CD – NATO MSM



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

TABBERNOR, Denis C.

Brigadier-General

Deputy Commanding General for Afghan National Army Development

OMM MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010

GH: 19 March 2010

DOI: June 2007 to June 2008

“Major-General Tabbernor, then-brigadier-general, was deployed as the deputy commanding general responsible for the development of the Afghan National Army (ANA), from June 2007 to June 2008. His mentorship of senior Afghans officers and his willingness to share the risk with ANA soldiers opened lines of communication and established relationships that fostered the continued development and professionalism of the ANA. Major-General Tabbernor’s dedication and commitment to responding to the needs of Afghans ensured the delivery of programs and initiatives that have positioned this essential national institution for success.”

Short Citation: “For outstanding dedication and professionalism as the Deputy Commanding General for Afghani National Army Development, Joint Task Force Afghanistan from June 2007 to June 2008.”

Medals: CMM (OMM) – MSM - South West Asia with bar Afghanistan – SSM bar – Peacekeeping – NATO bar Former Yugoslavia – Canada 125 – EIIR Diamond Jubilee - CD and three bars – Afghanistan Baryal Medal (First Class) – Officer, Legion of Merit (USA)

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 01 September 2001 in the rank of Brigadier-General.

Awarded **Commander of the Order of Military Merit (CMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 13 June 2009 in the rank of Major-General.

Awarded **Officer, Legion of Merit (USA)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 28 July 2012 in the rank of Major-General.

Awarded **Afghanistan Baryal Medal (First Class)** by the Afghanistan Government in 2009.



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

WHITE, Christopher Arnold
Chief Warrant Officer - PPCLI
RSM Joint Task Forces Afghanistan

MMM MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010
GH: 19 March 2010
DOI: May 2008 to February 2009

"Chief Warrant Officer White was deployed to Afghanistan as the Joint Task Force Afghanistan Regimental Sergeant-Major, from May 2008 to February 2009. His interactions with task force members reinforced rigorous force protection standards, ensuring command intent was fully understood. With an expanding civilian mandate, he was instrumental in the adaptation of civilians to military culture and to the high-threat environment. Chief Warrant Officer White's outstanding command team presence across two rotations ensured the operational success of the Task Force in a complex, multinational environment."

Short Citation

"For outstanding dedication leadership and professionalism as the Regimental Sergeant Major of Joint Task Force Afghanistan from May 2008 to February 2009."

Medals: MMM – MSM – General Campaign Star with ribbon Afghanistan – SSM with bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UNPROFOR – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – CD and Bar – Alberta Centennial



Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 22 November 2008 in the rank of CWO.

WUENNENBERG, Mark G.

MSM CD

CG: 27 March 2010
GH: 19 March 2010
DOI: October 2004 to January 2010

Major
Acquisition, Development and Employment of the UAVS

"From October 2004 to July 2009, Major Wuennenberg made an outstanding contribution to the acquisition, development and employment of unmanned aerial vehicles within the Canadian Forces. He is recognized as the Canadian Forces expert in the field, providing crucial force employment, force generation and operational airworthiness input for all activities of this fleet. As an expert representing Canada at NATO working groups and at international conferences, Major Wuennenberg has brought great honour to the Canadian Forces and to Canada."

Short Citation

"For outstanding contribution to the acquisition, development and employment of the Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAVS) within the Canadian Forces since October 2004."

AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

ARSENAULT, Russell Keith

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Warrant Officer

GH: 31 May 2010

3 Royal Canadian Regiment Battle Group JTF Afghanistan

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009



"Warrant Officer Arsenault was deployed to Afghanistan with the Battle Group, from September 2008 to April 2009. Throughout multiple combat operations, his calm demeanour and expert direction enabled his soldiers to persevere in the face of intense enemy actions. As acting commander on several occasions, he seamlessly led his platoon through the successful completion of numerous challenging operations in highly volatile circumstances. Warrant Officer Arsenault fostered a sense of cohesion within his platoon that directly contributed to the company's operational success."

Medals: MSM – Gulf War with Bar – Operational Service ribbon Humanitus (Haiti) – CD and Bar

BABIJ, Orest Myroslaw

MSM* CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Major – Intelligence Branch

GH: 31 May 2010

Commanding Officer of the All Source Intelligence Centre JTF Afghanistan

DOI: September 2008 to April 2009



"Major Babij was deployed to Afghanistan as the commanding officer of the All Source Intelligence Centre, from September 2008 to April 2009. With an in-depth understanding of the insurgency, he led his team in the production of intelligence products that enabled the targeting of insurgent commanders, reduced rocket attacks against Kandahar Airfield and facilitated the removal of several improvised explosive device networks. By providing current information on the constantly changing battle space, Major Babij and his team enabled numerous Canadian and coalition field commanders to conduct immediate and successful operations against enemy forces."

Awarded **Bar to Meritorious Service Medal (MSM)** as per the **Government House** of 26 February 2018 in the rank of Colonel as the Intelligence Liaison officer for the Ministerial Liaison Team and as commanding officer of Canadian personnel in Baghdad, Iraq.

Medals: MSM and Bar – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and two extra tour bars – Medal for Iraq - CD

AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

BARRETT, Roger Ronald

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Lieutenant-Colonel - 3rd Battalion The Royal Canadian Regiment

GH: 31 May 2010

Commanding Officer 3rd Battalion RCR Battle Group - JTF Afghanistan

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009

"From September 2008 to April 2009, Lieutenant-Colonel Barrett's command of 3rd Battalion, The Royal Canadian Regiment Battle Group, enabled Joint Task Force Afghanistan to adopt and sustain an offensive spirit. Fully embracing intelligence-led operations, he determined the insurgents' weaknesses and attacked them relentlessly and with precision. Lieutenant-Colonel Barrett's outstanding leadership forged a highly disciplined Battle Group that successfully dismantled extensive improvised explosive device networks, uncovered numerous enemy supply caches and overtook insurgent command and control cells."



With a degree in Nuclear Physics from the University of Toronto, and tours to Cyprus, Ethiopia and Sudan under his belt, Barrett has the rich combination of intelligence and experience required in the new Canadian Army. But knowing a quark from a neutrino probably will not help him much in combat. The decisions to shoot and kill are his and he will bear the burden of any deaths or injuries on the battlefield.



Medals: MSM – SSM with SWA ribbon – Peacekeeping – UN Cyprus – UN – Canada 125 – CD

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CAMSELL, James Frederick

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Lieutenant-Colonel – 36 (Newfoundland) Service Battalion

GH: 31 May 2010

Mentor to the head of Logistics of the Afghan National Army (ANA) Brigade

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009

"Lieutenant-Colonel Camsell deployed to Afghanistan as a mentor to the head of logistics of an Afghan National Army (ANA) brigade, from September 2008 to April 2009. His collaborative approach and articulated vision enabled him to introduce initiatives that vastly improved the efficiency of the brigade's re-supply system. These initiatives were eventually adopted across Regional Command (South). Lieutenant-Colonel Camsell's dedication to developing a more responsive and capable sustainment system for the ANA greatly enhanced operational effectiveness."



Medals: MSM – General Campaign Star – EIR Diamond Jubilee - CD and Bar

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

CHILTON-MACKAY, Francis

OMM MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Lieutenant-Colonel – Governor General's Foot Guards

GH: 31 May 2010

Director of Music of the Governor General's Foot Guards Regimental Band

DOI: 2006 to January 2010



"Lieutenant-Colonel Chilton-Mackay has volunteered her time and expertise as the director of Music of the Governor General's Foot Guards Regimental Band. Since 2006, she has been the driving force in providing an unparalleled level of musical support to numerous events at the local, national and international levels. She has worked tirelessly to foster morale and to build the Canadian Forces' esprit de corps through these musical performances. Under her dynamic leadership, she has effectively projected a positive image of the Canadian Forces, both at home and abroad."

Short Citation

"For outstanding dedication and professionalism as the Director of Music of the Governor General's Foot Guards Regimental Ban since 2006."

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 01 March 2008 in the rank of Major

Awarded **Member of the Order of St. John (MStJ)** in 2014.

Medals: OMM – MStJ - MSM – EIIR Golden Jubilee – EIIR Diamond Jubilee – CD and bar

Retired 2016.



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM

COATES, Christopher John

Colonel – Royal Canadian Air Force

First Commander Task Force Afghanistan Air Wing

CMM (OMM) MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

GH: 31 May 2010

DOI: November 2008 to April 2009

“Colonel Coates was the first commander of the Task Force Afghanistan Air Wing, from November 2008 to April 2009. Under pressure to get the newly formed air wing operational as soon as possible, he overcame numerous logistical challenges to ensure the rapid introduction of critical aviation capabilities to Afghanistan. Colonel Coates’ efforts have augmented Canadian operational capability, enhancing the security and mobility of ground forces across the theatre of operations.”

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 22 May 2010 in the rank of Colonel.

Elevated to **Commander of the Order of Military Merit (CMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 03 June 2017 in the rank of Major-General.

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Legion of Merit (USA)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 26 July 2014 in the rank of BGen and a 2nd award as per **Canada Gazette** of 27 February 2021 in the rank of Lieutenant-General, Deputy Commander NORAD.

Medals: OMM - MSM – General Campaign Star ribbon Southwest Asia – Special Service Medal bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UNPROFOR – NATO bar Former Yugoslavia (2) – CD and bar – USA Officer Legion of Merit



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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

DONOVAN, Kevin Joseph Ralph

Master Warrant Officer – Royal Canadian Regiment

Sergeant Major 'Mike' Company 3 Royal Canadian Regiment Battle Group

MMM MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

GH: 31 May 2010

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009



"Master Warrant Officer Donovan was deployed to Afghanistan with the Battle Group as Mike Company sergeant-major, from September 2008 to April 2009. Taking charge of the multinational patrol base, he oversaw the construction and modification of defensive facilities that significantly reduced the base's vulnerability to attacks. During combat operations, his tactical acumen and composure under fire motivated and inspired his subordinates and encouraged their pursuit of the enemy. Master Warrant Officer Donovan's unwavering dedication and frontline leadership ensured his company's operational success."

Medals: MSM – Gulf War – General Service Medal with SW Asia ribbon – SSM with bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UN Cyprus – UNPROFOR – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – CD and 2 bars

DUBÉ, Richard

Warrant Officer

First Officer Commanding Logistics Flight Afghanistan Task Force Air Wing

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

GH: 31 May 2010

DOI: November 2008 to April 2009



"Warrant Officer Dubé was deployed to Afghanistan from November 2008 to April 2009. He arrived in advance of Canadian Helicopter Force (Afghanistan) to set the conditions for the unit's seamless integration into Afghanistan's multinational aviation community. Called upon to fill the role of officer commanding the Logistics Flight, due to his previous successes, he ensured that Task Force Air Wing units had the necessary logistical support to keep their aircraft flying. Warrant Officer Dubé's initiative and logistical acumen enhanced the security and mobility of ground troops across Afghanistan."

Medals: MSM – General Campaign Star ribbon SW Asia bar two tours – Peacekeeping – UNAMET Timour – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – CD and bar

AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

EMOND, Luc

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Master Warrant Officer

GH: 31 May 2010

Senior aircraft maintenance superintendent Cdn Helicopter Force (Afghanistan)

DOI: December 2008 to April 2009

"Master Warrant Officer Emond was deployed as the senior aircraft maintenance superintendent for Canadian Helicopter Force (Afghanistan), from December 2008 to April 2009. He established mutually beneficial relationships that enabled his unit's rapid and seamless integration into Afghanistan's multinational aviation community, ensuring the uninterrupted delivery of critical aviation capabilities. Master Warrant Officer Emond's remarkable focus and dedicated effort to ensure the smooth operation of Canadian and coalition aircraft enhanced the security and mobility of ground troops across the theatre of operations."

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FEARON, David

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Captain

GH: 31 May 2010

Built the Tactical Operations Centre for 3 RCR Battle Group JTF Afghanistan

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009

"Captain Fearon was deployed to Afghanistan from September 2008 to April 2009. He built the Tactical Operations Centre into a highly efficient and cohesive support unit that ensured the proper combat assets and tools were provided to the Battle Group during several major operations. His composure, focus and ability to maintain situational awareness allowed him to simultaneously coordinate responses to multiple combat actions. Captain Fearon's professionalism and tactical acumen were instrumental to the operational success of the Battle Group."

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FISHER, David Eugene

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Master Warrant Officer

GH: 31 May 2010

Sergeant Major for Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team Company Afghan

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009

"Master Warrant Officer Fisher deployed to Afghanistan as an Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team Company sergeant-major, from September 2008 to April 2009. His steadfast patience, knowledge of counter-insurgency operations and constant presence among Afghan soldiers contributed significantly to the professional development of the Afghan non-commissioned officer corps in Panjwai District. Master Warrant Officer Fisher's leadership, courage under fire and endless dedication to his soldiers ensured the operational success of Afghan National Army units in the region."

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

GERVAIS, Richard Joseph Delphis

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Colonel

GH: 31 May 2010

Chief of Liaison Multinational Forces & Observers & Commander Task Force El Gorah

DOI: July 2008 to July 2009

“Colonel Gervais was deployed to the Sinai Peninsula as chief of liaison for the Multinational Forces and Observers and as commander of Task Force El Gorah, from July 2008 to July 2009. During times of open hostility and great regional tensions along the Egypt-Israel border, his tactful diplomacy ensured effective communications between all parties, which was essential to maintaining or restoring calm. Colonel Gervais’ diplomatic skills contributed to the operational strength of the Task Force, highlighting Canada’s contribution to the greater Middle East peace process.”

Medals: MSM – Special Service Medal bar ALERT – Peacekeeping – Multinational Force - CD



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

HALL, Ernest Joseph

MMM MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Chief Warrant Officer – RCR - Now RSM 42nd Field Regiment, RCA

GH: 31 May 2010

Regimental Sergeant Major - 3 RCR Battle Group JTF Afghanistan

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009

“Chief Warrant Officer Hall was deployed to Afghanistan as the regimental sergeant-major for 3rd Battalion, The Royal Canadian Regiment Battle Group, from September 2008 to April 2009. His dedicated operational focus provided the Battle Group with a stabilizing influence during multiple combat operations. He provided solid advice to his commanding officer, set an outstanding example for soldiers to follow and actively fostered teamwork within the entire Task Force. Chief Warrant Officer Hall's leadership and professionalism were instrumental to the Battle Group's operational success.”



Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 25 March 2006 in the rank of Master Warrant Officer while serving in the Human Resources (Military) Group of the Canadian Forces.

Medals: MMM – MSM – Gulf War – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and extra tour bar – SSM bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UN Cyprus (2) – UNPROFOR - UN Task Force East Africa to Eritrea / Ethiopia - NATO bar Former Yugoslavia – CD and 2 bars

Chief Warrant Officer Ernest Joseph Hall, MMM, MSM, CD Regimental Sergeant-Major, 42 Field Regiment (L&R Scots), RCA

Chief Warrant Officer Ernest Hall is employed in 2012 as the RSM of the 42 Field Regiment (L&R Scots) RCA in the Pembroke Armoury. Chief Warrant Officer Hall was appointed as the RSM of 42 Field Regiment (L&R Scots) in January 2011.

CWO Hall was appointed to the position of Army CWO Career manager at NDHQ in June 2009. This appointment was following a very successful deployment to Afghanistan (Sep 08 to Apr 09) as RSM 3 RCR Battle Group. CWO Ernest Hall was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal (MSM) in June 2010 for “forging an efficient, cohesive and motivated Battle Group” while RSM of the Joint Task Force Afghanistan. He was awarded the Member of Military Merit (MMM) in 2005; CWO Hall has led an exciting and illustrious career in the Infantry Corps.

His first posting was to P Coy 3 RCR in Petawawa as a Rifleman. While serving with 3 RCR he embarked on his first deployment to Cyprus in 1977. During the same year CWO Hall was posted to 2 Commando, Canadian Airborne Regiment, later serving with the Pathfinder Platoon. He deployed to Cyprus again in 1981 as a Pathfinder Recce Detachment 2 I/C. CWO Hall was promoted to Master Corporal in 1982 and posted to 3 Commando as Sect Comd. While serving with 3 Commando, CWO Hall trained and travelled with the Airborne Rappel / Unarmed Combat Demo Team that participated in CF Tattoo 1985 which crossed Canada.

CWO Hall was promoted to the rank of Sgt in 1986 and later that year posted to the RCR Battle School. In 1987 CWO Hall was posted to 3 RCR in Winnipeg as Section Commander with the unit subsequently relocating to Germany in 1988 where he was employed as Mortar Fire Controller. While serving in Germany, CWO Hall deployed to the Gulf in 1990 with M Coy 3 RCR. Upon return from the Gulf, CWO Hall was promoted to WO and deployed to Croatia in 1991 with R22eR Battalion Group as Platoon 2 I/C. The Battle Group was awarded the “Governor General's Commendation” for its “tireless efforts to re-open the Sarajevo Airport as well as other accomplishments”. While serving in Germany, CWO Hall achieved both German and British Jump Wings and completed the French Commando Course. In 1993, CWO Hall was posted to 2 RCR in Gagetown and was employed in a wide variety of positions, including: Intelligence WO, Mortar PI WO, CQ Rifle Coy, CQ Administrative Coy, and Ops WO and deployed with the unit to Bosnia in 1999.

CWO Hall was promoted to MWO in 2001 and deployed on Task Force East Africa to Eritrea / Ethiopia as CSM Hotel Coy, 2 RCR. CWO Hall was then posted to NDHQ/CMP in the capacity of RCR Career Manager. Upon promotion to CWO in 2005, he took on the task of Infantry Corps Career Manager.

CWO Ernest Hall was appointed to the position of Regimental Sergeant-Major of 3rd Battalion The Royal Canadian Regiment in September 2006. In this capacity, he deployed to Afghanistan from Sep 08 to Apr 09 as RSM 3 RCR Battle Group (Task Force 3-08).



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

HOGGARTH, William Thomas

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Master Corporal

GH: 31 May 2010

3 RCR Battle Group JTF Afghanistan – Forward Operating Base (FOB)

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009

“Master Corporal Hoggarth was deployed to a forward operating base in Afghanistan from September 2008 to April 2009. Responding to feedback from ground troops, he designed and implemented armour packages that increased the survivability of logistics vehicles in combat. He tirelessly maintained anti-mine equipment aboard tanks and modified the vehicles to make them safer under fire. He also built defensive improvements within the base that increased the safety of all personnel. Master Corporal Hoggarth’s ability to innovate and his outstanding work ethic greatly contributed to the safety of Canadian troops.”

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LAVOIE, Lewis Duthie Joseph

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Master Warrant Officer – 3rd Battalion Royal Canadian Regiment

GH: 31 May 2010

Company Sergeant-Major 3 RCR Battle Group Headquarters JTF Afghanistan

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009



“Master Warrant Officer Lavoie was deployed to Afghanistan as the company sergeant-major for Battle Group Headquarters, from September 2008 to April 2009. During an intensive combat tour, he provided advice to Battle Group soldiers, commanders and other Task Force units during the planning and execution of operations. Whether personally tracking casualty evacuations, facilitating ramp ceremonies or visiting hospitals, his compassion for wounded soldiers drew accolades from across the Task Force. Master Warrant Officer Lavoie’s outstanding leadership and professionalism contributed to the Battle Group’s operational success.”

Medals: MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and one extra tour bar – SSM with bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UNPROFOR – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – NATO bar Kosovo – CD and Bar

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

HOWARD, Alan John

Brigadier General

Developing Aspects of the Afghan National Army (ANA)

CMM MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

GH: 31 May 2010

DOI: Sept 2008 to March 2009



"From April 2008 to March 2009, Brigadier-General Howard displayed exemplary leadership and innovation in developing aspects of the Afghan National Army (ANA) at the tactical, operational and strategic levels. He routinely visited ANA units in the field, sharing in their risk and gaining their trust and confidence. His personal and professional relationships with senior ANA leaders directly enhanced their professionalism. Brigadier-General Howard's leadership and work ethic greatly contributed to ensuring Afghanistan's defence institutions were robust, operationally focused and strategically prepared."

Awarded **Commander of the Order of Military Merit (CMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of (Government House December 2011) in the rank of Major-General.

Awarded **Meritorious Service Medal (USA)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 01 July 2000 in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel while serving as an Attaché in the USA.

Awarded **Officer of the Legion of Merit (USA)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 26 March 2011 in the rank of Brigadier-General while serving in Afghanistan.

Awarded the **Ghazi Mir Bachah Khan Medal (Afghanistan)** in 2011.

Medals: CMM - MSM - Campaign General Service Star – South-west Asia bar Afghanistan – Special Service bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UN Cyprus – UNPROFOR – CD and bar – MSM (USA) – Ghazi Mir Bachah Khan Medal (Afghanistan)



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

McBRIDE, Robert Walter

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Major – Royal Canadian Regiment

GH: 31 May 2010

Officer Commanding 3 RCR Battle Group Rifle Company JTF Afghanistan

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009



“Major McBride was deployed to Afghanistan as the officer commanding a rifle company, from September 2008 to February 2009. He expertly led numerous counter-insurgency operations while simultaneously coordinating security, governance and development in Zhari District. With the entire Task Force focused on his area of operations, he demonstrated an exceptional ability to interpret command intent and gain the co-operation of Afghan leaders, civilian partners and allied forces. Major McBride’s outstanding leadership of his company directly contributed to the Task Force’s operational success.”

Medals: MSM – Sacrifice – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon with 2nd tour bar – General service Medal ribbon Expedition - Operational Service Medal ribbon Sierra Leone – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – NATO bar Kosovo - CD



MERCER, Shawn Anthony

MMM MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Master Warrant Officer – Royal Canadian Regiment

GH: 31 May 2010

Reconnaissance Squadron Sgt Major 3 RCR Battle Group JTF Afghanistan

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009

“Master Warrant Officer Mercer was deployed to Afghanistan as a reconnaissance squadron sergeant-major, from September 2008 to April 2009. While concurrently managing the responsibility of a forward operating base, his role in the Quick Reaction Force was to ensure immediate responses were provided to improvised explosive detonations and other forms of attack. His experience and leadership not only provided insight into operational planning, but also was an inspiration to soldiers facing the loss of comrades. Master Warrant Officer Mercer’s dedication ensured his squadron’s operational success.”

Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 26 March 2011 in the rank of Master Warrant Officer.

He died on 22 August 2007.



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

ROLFE, Eric John

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Master Warrant Officer – 3 Royal Canadian Regiment

GH: 31 May 2010

November Company Sergeant-Major 3 RCR Battle Group JTF Afghanistan

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009

“Master Warrant Officer Rolfe was deployed to Afghanistan as the November Company sergeant-major, from September 2008 to April 2009. He provided insight into the combat planning process and ensured tactically sound operations. In the face of horrific improvised explosive device attacks, he effectively managed casualty extraction while simultaneously encouraging his soldiers to persevere. Master Warrant Officer Rolfe’s courage and leadership under fire ensured his company’s operational success.”

Medals: MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon – Peacekeeping – UN Cyprus – NATO ribbon and bar Kosovo – NATO ribbon Bosnia – CD and Bar



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SHIPLEY, Joseph Stephen

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Lieutenant-Colonel – Royal Canadian Regiment

GH: 31 May 2010

Commanding Officer Operational Mentoring & Liaison Team (OMLT) Kandahar Province

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009

“Lieutenant-Colonel Shipley was deployed as the commanding officer of the Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team (OMLT) in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan, from September 2008 to April 2009. His understanding of Afghan culture and firm grasp of existing Afghan capabilities enabled him to greatly increase the Afghan National Army’s capacity to take a lead role in the struggle against insurgents in the province. Colonel Shipley’s operational focus and commanding presence not only brought an Afghan brigade to competency, but also provided inspiration to the entire OMLT.”



2017 Chief of Defence Staff Commendation to Colonel Joseph Stephen SHIPLEY, MSM, CD

“For outstanding leadership as Deputy Chief of Staff for Coalition Joint Task Force Headquarters Operation INHERENT RESOLVE in Kuwait, June 2015 to April 2016.”

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

TREMBLAY, Dean Dwayne

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Major

GH: 31 May 2010

Officer Commanding Reconnaissance Squadron 3 RCR Battle Group JTF Afghanistan

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009

"Major Tremblay was deployed to Afghanistan as the officer commanding a reconnaissance squadron, from September 2008 to February 2009. He expertly led numerous successful operations while simultaneously mentoring an Afghan reconnaissance company and coordinating security, governance and development of infrastructures in Arghandab District. His ability to gain the co-operation of Afghan leaders, civilian partners and allied forces enabled the precise targeting of insurgent networks throughout this dangerous and complex region. Major Tremblay's leadership of his squadron directly contributed to the Task Force's operational success..."

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WASHBURN, Russell Neal

MSM CD

CG: 03 July 2010

Major – Royal Canadian Regiment

GH: 31 May 2010

Training Two Afghan National Army (ANA) Infantry Brigades

DOI: Sept 2008 to April 2009



"From September 2008 to April 2009, Major Washburn's outstanding mentorship of and excellent rapport with the commanding officers of two Afghan National Army infantry brigades enabled him to significantly progress their professional leadership qualities. With the brigades dispersed across Zhari District, he developed ingenious methods to ensure the optimal placement of his mentoring resources. Major Washburn's diplomatic and leadership skills enhanced the officers' capacities and abilities to effectively lead their soldiers, which earned him their respect as a combat leader and trusted advisor."

Medals: MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon – Peacekeeping – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – CD

Commanding Officer of 2 RCR in 2013.

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

McLEAN, Michael Allan

Colonel – Royal Canadian Air Force

Renewal of the Canadian Defence Attachés program

OMM MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

GH: 26 July 2010

DOI: October 2008 to June 2010

“As the director Protocol and Foreign Liaison, Colonel McLean has been the inspirational force behind the renewal of the Canadian Defence Attachés program, an essential part of our diplomatic missions abroad. Through his formidable work and initiative, he established the groundwork for implementing policy changes that not only allowed the Canadian Forces to garner support from the program’s many partners, but also strengthened the program’s relevance for future generations. Colonel McLean is commended for his outstanding contributions to the attachés program.”

Medals: OMM – MSM - Gulf War with Bar – Southwest Asia bar Afghanistan – SSM bar NATO – CD and Bar

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 17 July 1999 in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel



Col. McLean joined the Canadian Air Force in 1979 upon completion of a Bachelor of Science Degree from Saint Francis Xavier University in Nova Scotia. He attended Basic Officer Training in Chilliwack, British Columbia and Fighter Controller School in North Bay, Ontario.

Col. McLean controlled fighter aircraft in the Semi-Automated Ground Environment (SAGE), the manual environment while stationed at Canadian Forces Station Dana Saskatchewan, and in the Region Operations Control Center in North Bay. During his second assignment to North Bay, he performed the duties of Chief Instructor and later, Director of the Air Weapons Controller School.

In 1987, he was assigned as a Tactical Director to the NATO Airborne Early Warning and Control (AWACS) Wing in Geilenkirchen, Germany. Four years later, he returned to Ottawa to manage the Career Manager Desk for 600 Fighter Controllers and Air Traffic Controllers up to and including the rank of Major. In 1993, he was assigned to another four-year AWACS flying tour, this time as a Mission Commander with USAF's 962 Squadron in Anchorage, Alaska.

Col. McLean has accumulated over 2,500 flying hours in Command of an E-3. In this capacity, he has directed 16 Cold War intercepts, flown 22 missions during Desert Shield/Storm and orchestrated numerous counter-narcotics missions over South America. In 1996, he earned a Master Degree in Aeronautical Science graduating with First-Class Honors and in 97/98 attended the United Kingdom's, first, year-long, Joint Service Command and Staff Course in London, England. In 1998 Col. McLean was assigned to the NORAD software Support Facility located at Tyndall Air Force Base in Florida where he served as the Deputy Commander of the binational engineering establishment and as the Commanding Officer of the Canadian Contingent.

In January 1999, Colonel McLean was appointed to the Order of Military Merit and on 17 June was presented the medal in an investiture ceremony by His Excellency, the Governor General of Canada. Upon completion of three years at Tyndall AFB and upon promotion to his present rank, Colonel McLean was assigned to Canada's Operational Air Force HQ at 1 Canadian Air Division – Winnipeg. Whilst there, Colonel McLean orchestrated Canada's air defence as the Director of Operations for the September 11 terrorist attacks and served as the Air Component Commander for the G8 Summit held in Kananaskis Alberta.

Colonel McLean joined the Cdn Defence Attaché Program in 2003 where, following a year of Russian language training was assigned as the Defence Attaché in Moscow responsible for Russia and most of Central Asia. In 2007 he moved from Moscow to Kabul where he served for one year as the Attaché in Afghanistan. Colonel McLean assumed his present duties as Director of Protocol and Foreign Liaison in October of 2008.

AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM

ABTHORPE, Geoffrey Arthur

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

Major – 1st Battalion Royal Canadian Regiment

GH: 29 September 2010

1 RCR JTF Afghanistan

DOI: 15 January 2006



“While deployed to Afghanistan from August 2006 to February 2007, Major Abthorpe was instrumental to the success of counter-insurgency operations in Kandahar province. As a company commander during intense combat, his sound tactical acumen and courage under fire enabled his company to seize and hold key terrain despite being isolated from the larger Canadian battle group and being in constant contact with the enemy. These daring independent advances helped secure the battle group’s flanks and enabled a full-scale attack that defeated the enemy in the region”.

Medals: MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon – Peacekeeping – UNPROFOR – EIIR Diamond Jubilee Medal - CD and Bar

He was the Commanding Officer of the **Lake Superior Scottish Regiment** in 2013.

He commanded **38 Brigade** as a Colonel from 2016 to 2018.



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BENSON, Barbara Agnes

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

Petty Officer 2nd Class

GH: 29 September 2010

Serving with the US Navy in the Naval Ocean Processing Facility at Whidbey Island

DOI: 2007 to 2009

“From 2007 through 2009, Petty Officer 2nd Class Benson demonstrated outstanding leadership and operational effectiveness while assigned to the Naval Ocean Processing Facility Whidbey Island, U.S.A. With her expertise and mentoring skills, she was able to transform her team members into top performers. Her leadership and training of multinational sailors significantly contributed to the success of the Facility and will have a lasting and positive impact.”

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BYERS, Timothy Charles

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

Major - Commander 4th Canadian Ranger Patrol Group

GH: 29 September 2010

Exercise Western Spirit

DOI: May 2008 to March 2009



“From May 2008 through March 2009, Major Byers exhibited professionalism, foresight and leadership in his capacity as commander 4th Canadian Ranger Patrol Group during the planning and execution of Exercise *WESTERN SPIRIT*. The exercise included an arduous 37-day snowmobile trek, during which he led the patrol through severe arctic conditions, highlighting the capabilities of Canadian Rangers in over 25 northern communities. The success of this Exercise and its connection with Canadians in the North brought great credit to the Canadian Forces.”

AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

DALY, Robert
Chief Warrant Officer
National Support Element Afghanistan

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010
GH: 29 September 2010
DOI: February to September 2008

“Chief Warrant Officer Daly’s leadership of a diverse group of people, combined with his expert advice to superiors and subordinates alike, ensured the success of the National Support Element in its mission to support troops in Afghanistan. Sharing the risks of combat logistics patrols with those he led, he set the example for them to follow and ensured the provision of logistics requirements to the units they supported. His efforts and perseverance directly contributed to the operational success of Canadian and coalition forces from February to September 2008.”

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EARLES, Patrick Joseph
Chief Warrant Officer
National Support Element Afghanistan

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010
GH: 29 September 2010
DOI: January to August 2006

“Chief Warrant Officer Earles deployed to Afghanistan as regimental sergeant-major of the National Support Element, the logistics unit tasked with supporting the Canadian Forces in theatre, from January to August 2006. A courageous man, his inspired leadership and tireless example bolstered morale and confidence throughout the unit and inspired perseverance during a tour replete with difficult times for all concerned. Whether providing sound advice to his commanding officer or sharing the risk on the ground, Chief Warrant Officer Earles’ leadership and dedication ensured the successful provision of logistical support across Afghanistan.”



Medals: MSM – Southwest Asia bar Afghanistan - Peacekeeping – UNDOF with 4 tour numeral – CD and 2 Bars



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

GIRARD, Martin

Colonel – Cdn Military Communications and Electronics
Commander Task Force Haiti 2008 to 2009

OMM MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

GH: 29 September 2010

DOI: July 2008 to August 2009



“Colonel Girard was deployed to Haiti as the commander of Task Force Port-au-Prince from July 2008 to August 2009. Occupying a senior leadership role as the chief of staff to the United Nations force commander, he established relationships with key stakeholders that facilitated the operations of the international stabilization mission. His outstanding coordination of 7000 multinational soldiers and interaction with international aid agencies enabled an organized relief effort during Haiti’s hurricane crisis, played a prominent role in supporting senatorial elections and led to the implementation of a quick-reaction force that quickly quelled rioting in the country.”

Appointed as **Permanent Representative to UN Headquarters** as a BGen in May 2014 and retired in 2020 after 39 years of service.

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** 26 March 2011 in the rank of Colonel.

Medals: OMM - MSM – SSM with bar NATO – Peacekeeping – Operational Service Medal for Haiti with 3 tours – UN HQ - NATO bar former Yugoslavia – CD and 2 Bars – British Gulf War with rosette.



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

GROVES, Marie Renay

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

Sergeant

GH: 29 September 2010

Notes from Home Campaign

DOI: 2002 to 2010

"Sergeant Groves has been the creator and motivator behind three projects: Notes from Home Campaign, Tour Diaries and Memory Books. Her efforts have been instrumental in forwarding written notes to the deployed soldiers, in documenting their personal experiences in Afghanistan, and in producing a personalized hand-crafted memory book for the families of every fallen soldier. Sergeant Groves has actively promoted the welfare of Canadian Forces members and their families and has garnered significant support from all Canadians, coast to coast to coast."

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HOOYER, John William

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

Master Warrant Officer

GH: 29 September 2010

'A' Company 1 RCR Battle Group JTF Afghanistan

DOI: August 2006 to February 2007

"Within the first six weeks of arriving in Afghanistan, Master Warrant Officer Hooyer's company was under near-daily attack from enemy mortars and had suffered numerous casualties. His outstanding leadership as the company sergeant-major kept his soldiers operationally focused during this challenging period, as well as during a large NATO-led ground offensive. Providing exceptional support to his company commander during intense combat, Master Warrant Officer Hooyer was instrumental to the success of Alpha Company from August 2006 to February 2007."

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LACHARITE, Michael Raymond

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

Chief Warrant Officer

GH: 29 September 2010

Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team

DOI: February 2008 to February 2009

"Chief Warrant Officer Lacharite was deployed to Afghanistan as the Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team's regimental sergeant-major from February 2008 to February 2009. His guidance enabled military support to civilian agencies and ensured their enhanced understanding of the military's mission, capabilities and culture. A stabilizing influence at Camp Nathan Smith, Chief Warrant Officer Lacharite forged an effective civilian-military team that advanced good governance and development in the region."

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

LAVIGNE, Tyler

MSM

CG: 18 December 2010

Captain

GH: 29 September 2010

Establishment of Air Wing, Afghanistan

DOI: November 2008 to April 2009

"As the information management officer from November 2008 to April 2009, Captain Lavigne contributed to the concurrent establishment of the Joint Task Force Afghanistan Air Wing, the Canadian Helicopter Force Afghanistan and a Canadian unmanned aerial vehicle detachment. His innovative solutions and ability to balance competing priorities enabled him to implement multiple command and control systems in an austere environment. Captain Lavigne's leadership and professionalism ensured that units received the communications support necessary for the rapid commencement of flying operations."

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LEWIS, Derick

MSM

CG: 18 December 2010

Corporal

GH: 29 September 2010

1 RCR Battle Group JTF Afghanistan

DOI: 03 September 2006

"On September 3, 2006, Corporal Lewis' company was advancing across the Arghandab River in Afghanistan, when it came under enemy fire from a defended position; they quickly incurred several casualties. While the fight continued around him, and despite being wounded, he assisted with the assessment, treatment and evacuation of the other casualties until his own injuries forced him to stop. Demonstrating exemplary perseverance and devotion to duty, Corporal Lewis continued in spite of his injuries and helped save the lives of his fellow soldiers."

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LIPCSEY, André

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

Major – Royal Canadian Regiment

GH: 29 September 2010

1 RCR Battle Group JTF Afghanistan

DOI: August 2006 to February 2007



"During a large NATO-led ground offensive, Major Lipcsey was pivotal to the planning and execution of complex brigade and battle group operations in Afghanistan, from August 2006 to February 2007. His tactical acumen, soldiering ability and combat leadership ensured ongoing success throughout high intensity battles. Major Lipcsey's command presence and professionalism directly contributed to the operational success of the battle group and reinforced Canada's reputation as an effective fighting force."

Medals: MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and one extra tour bar – Peacekeeping – UNPROFOR – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – NATO bar Kosovo – CD and Bar

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

McCAULEY, Joseph Gilbert Léon William

SBStJ MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

Major – Royal Canadian Air Force

GH: 29 September 2010

Tactical Unmanned Aerial Vehicles Afghanistan

DOI: June to September 2008

“In response to a series of incidents that severely disrupted Canada's aerial surveillance capability in Afghanistan, Major McCauley was deployed on short notice to Kandahar Airfield in June 2008. Assuming temporary command of the Tactical Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Detachment, he strengthened the unit and set the conditions for its ongoing viability. He later assumed full command of the unit and ensured that its members continued to provide exceptional support to the task force until September 2008. Major McCauley's leadership and technical knowledge ensured the delivery of critical intelligence and surveillance information to Canadian Forces in Afghanistan.”

Awarded **Serving Brother of the Order of St. John (SBStJ)** in 1978 in the rank of Captain

Medals: SBStJ – MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and one extra tour bar – UN Cyprus – UN Haiti – MFO – EIIR Silver Jubilee – EIIR Golden Jubilee – EIIR Diamond Jubilee – CD and 2 bars



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MILLER, Mark Henry

MMM MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

Chief Warrant Officer – 1 Royal Canadian Regiment

GH: 29 September 2010

RSM 1 RCR Battle Group - JTF Afghanistan

DOI: Dec 2006 to February 2007

“From December 2006 to February 2007, Chief Warrant Officer Miller rose to the challenge of replacing the battle group's regimental sergeant-major, who had been killed in combat. Arriving in Afghanistan on short notice and without the benefit of full deployment training, he immediately found himself involved in intense combat. Throughout this battle and during all subsequent operations, his frontline leadership maintained the battle group's fighting spirit. Chief Warrant Officer Miller's ability to quickly and tactfully assume his responsibilities and establish his presence ensured the unit's continued operational effectiveness.”

Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 13 June 2009 in the rank of Chief Warrant Officer.

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

MONTAGUE, Robert Joseph
Master Warrant Officer
Sergeant Major Artillery Support 1 RCR Battle Group JTF Afghanistan

MMM MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010
GH: 29 September 2010
DOI: August 2006 to February 2007

"From August 2006 to February 2007, Master Warrant Officer Montague's efforts as the artillery battery sergeant-major contributed to the operational success of Joint Task Force Afghanistan. His leadership skills were key to the successful handling of many stressful situations, such as the extraction of a trapped vehicle while engaged with the enemy or the coordination of the delivery of thousands of rounds of artillery and mortar fire by Canadian and coalition gunners. He was instrumental in the success of enemy engagements during major Canadian and NATO-led operations."

Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 03 March 2008 in the rank of Master Warrant Officer

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NOLAN, Steven John Vincent
Major
OMLET Afghanistan

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010
GH: 29 September 2010
DOI: September 2008 to April 2009

"Major Nolan was deployed to Afghanistan as a mentor to the commanding officer of an Afghan National Army infantry battalion from September 2008 to April 2009. During multiple combat operations, he provided frontline mentorship to his Afghan counterpart, enabling him to succeed in a chaotic environment while under fire. Whether operating independently or with coalition units, his mentorship promoted the development of sound operational plans and successful schemes of manoeuvre. Major Nolan's outstanding leadership and professionalism were instrumental to the Afghan battalion's operational success."

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STEPHENS, Curtis J.
Corporal
2 PPCLI Battle Group – JTF Afghanistan

MSM

CG: 18 December 2010
GH: 29 September 2010
DOI: 16 May 2008

"On May 16, 2008, Corporal Stephens' patrol was attacked by a suicide bomber in Zhari district, Afghanistan. With his sergeant among the wounded, he assumed command and led his section through a successful engagement and eventual return to its post. While still in charge six days later, his tactical skill and command presence were instrumental in another engagement with insurgents. Working at a level well above that expected of his rank, Corporal Stephens' exemplary combat leadership inspired his section and enabled their operational success."

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

TOWNSEND, Duat Paul

Lieutenant-Colonel

Acquisition of Chinook Helicopters

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

GH: 29 September 2010

DOI: 2008 to 2009

"As project director, Lieutenant-Colonel Townsend led the team responsible for fielding the interim medium lift capability for operations in Afghanistan, the goal of which was to reduce reliance upon ground movements and their inherent risk from ambush. A proactive leader with unequalled mission focus, he overcame many obstacles and unexpected challenges, enabling the successful and timely delivery of Chinook helicopters to the Canadian Forces."



Medals: MSM – Southwest Asia with bar Afghanistan – EIIR Diamond Jubilee - CD and Bar

WHALEN, Christopher Stuart

Sergeant

2 PPCLI Commander of Care to the Wounded

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

GH: 29 September 2010

DOI: July 2006 to 31 January 2010

"Sergeant Whalen showed leadership and devotion to duty in his capacity as commander of the Care of the Wounded Soldier Cell for the 2nd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, from July 2006 to January 31, 2010. As a wounded soldier himself, he was an effective advocate for the rights, entitlements and medical needs of the injured. In addition, he made valued contributions to numerous national-level advisory groups on the subject. Sergeant Whalen's efforts have brought great credit to the Canadian Forces."

AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

ARSENAULT, Joseph Léonard
Master Corporal
SAR TECH Cormorant Helicopter Rescue

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010
GH: 28 October 2010
DOI: 19 November 2008

BOUCHARD, Jonathan Claude Yvon
Major
First Officer Cormorant Helicopter Rescue

MSM CD

POWELL, Jeffrey Middleton
Captain
Aircraft Commander Cormorant Helicopter Rescue

MSM

(Photo below left)

SPENCE, Jeffrey Gordon
Master Corporal
SAR TECH (under training)

MSM CD

“On November 19, 2008, the aircrew of Rescue 903, a Cormorant Search and Rescue helicopter, rescued three stranded sailors from their rapidly sinking dredging barge off the coast of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. The aircrew consisted of aircraft commander Captain Powell; first officer Major Bouchard; flight engineer Master Corporal Arsenault; and Master Corporal Spence, a search and rescue technician under training. Flying through hazardous, icy conditions, with winds of up to 40 knots and six-metre seas, the aircraft arrived on scene with minimal fuel to spare. Over the next hour, the crew proceeded to hoist the three sailors onboard the aircraft, one by one, as darkness approached. Shortly after the successful rescue, while the aircraft was proceeding to shore, the barge was reported sunk. Tremendous effort, focus on the mission and the utmost in aircrew coordination resulted in three lives being saved that day.”

Awarded **Air Medal (USA)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 17 December in the rank of Major (Commander of Cormorant Helicopter).

Bouchard's Medals: MSM – General Campaign Star ribbon Southwest Asia – CD – USA Air Medal (now CO 442 Squadron)¹



¹ Captain Jeffrey Middleton Powell

Bouchard's Medals

Lieutenant-Colonel Jonathan Bouchard & wife

AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM

BATTISTA, Tony

Colonel

Defence Attaché Germany

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

GH: 28 October 2010

DOI: 2006 to 2010

"From 2006 through 2010, Colonel Battista, as the Canadian defence attaché to Germany, greatly contributed to Canada's relationship with that country. He was instrumental in preparing Canadian Forces troops for service in Afghanistan. He advanced Canadian initiatives such as research into, and the acquisition of, new German equipment and its associated training, most notably for the Leopard 2 tank. He also successfully promoted German participation in the International Security Assistance Force and partnership with the Canadian Forces Staff Officer School in Kabul. Furthermore, his compassionate oversight of wounded Canadian soldiers convalescing in Germany was exemplary. Throughout his tenure, Colonel Battista was an outstanding envoy and brought great credit to the Canadian Forces and to Canada."

Medals: MSM - SSM bar NATO – CD and two bars – Meritorious Service Medal (USA)



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

BEAUCLAIR, Joseph Rudolf Éric

Corporal

Canadian Forces Urban Search and Rescue Team

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

GH: 28 October 2010

DOI: January to March 2010

DESJARDINS, Craig Wayne

Captain

MB MSM CD

PILON, Emilie

Corporal

MSM

“In response to the devastating earthquake in Haiti, Captain Desjardins, Corporal Beauclair and Corporal Pilon were sent as part of the inaugural deployment of the Canadian Forces Urban Search and Rescue team, from January to March 2010. Tasked with locating, extracting and recovering Canadian and foreign human remains, these three individuals helped to ease the suffering of many families through their unrelenting and compassionate efforts, and were an inspiration to their team and international partners. Despite the mental and physical demands of this horrific and complex operation, they maintained an unwavering dedication that brought great credit to the Canadian Forces and to Canada”

Pilon's Medals: MSM – OSM with Humanitus Ribbon – Peacekeeping – UNDOF – European Security and Defence Policy Service Medal with bar ARTEMIS - CD ²

Beauclair's Medals: MSM – General Campaign Star ribbon Afghanistan – Peacekeeping – NATO bar Former Yugoslavia - CD

Desjardins Medals: MB – MSM – Operational Service Medal with Humanitus Ribbon - Peacekeeping – UN Haiti – CD and 2 Bars Awarded **Medal of Bravery (MB)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 30 March 1996 in the rank of Captain for a civil action.



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Corporal Emilie Pilon

Captain Craig Wayne DESJARDINS, MB, MSM, CD Corporal Joseph Rudolf Éric BEAUCLAIR, MSM, CD

AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

CLANCY, Scott Norman

Lieutenant-Colonel

Air Component Commander of Joint Task Force Haiti

(OMM) MSM (*) CD

CG: 18 December 2010

GH: 28 October 2010

DOI: January to March 2010



"In response to the devastating earthquake in Haiti, Lieutenant-Colonel Clancy was deployed as the air component commander of Joint Task Force Haiti, from January to March 2010. Optimizing the employment of all capabilities under his command, he ensured the uninterrupted aerial delivery of personnel and supplies critical to the success of the disaster relief operations. His outstanding leadership and unrelenting drive enabled Canada and its international partners to help ease the suffering of the Haitian people, and enhanced Canada's reputation on the world stage."

Medals: OMM – MSM and Bar – Operational Service Medal ribbon Haiti – CD and bar

Awarded **Bar to the Meritorious Service Medal** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 13 August 2011 in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel for deployment of the Helicopters to Afghanistan.

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 22 March 2013 in the rank of Colonel.

Promoted to Brigadier-General in July 2016 and became the Director-General Air Rediness.



FRÉCHETTE, Jocelyn Joseph René

Chief Petty Officer 1st Class

Coxswain *HMCS Athabaska* Joint Task Force Haiti

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

GH: 28 October 2010

DOI: January to March 2010

"From January to March 2010, the firm guidance provided by Chief Petty Officer 1st Class Fréchette enabled the crew of *HMCS Athabaska* to provide exceptional support following the devastating earthquake in Haiti. The relations Chief Petty Officer 1st Class Fréchette maintained with non-governmental organizations, community leaders and military units also made it possible to deliver assistance in the areas hardest hit. His efforts helped to optimize the use of the ship's resources and to undertake humanitarian assistance projects that had a lasting impact on the region."

Medals: MSM – SSM bar NATO – NATO Medal – CD and Bar



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

GREENWOOD, Richard Weston

OMM MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

Commodore – Former member of HMCS Discovery

GH: 28 October 2010

Director-General of Maritime Equipment Program Management

DOI: 2006 to 2010



"Commodore Greenwood, Director General of Maritime Equipment Program Management from 2006 through 2010, showed exemplary leadership, hard work and visionary focus during his tenure. The implementation of the Halifax-Class Modernization project, the Victoria-Class weapons handling and discharge system, and the Orca-Class project to replace the navy's fleet of training vessels, illustrate Commodore Greenwood's tremendous contributions to Canada's maritime capability. His efforts will help the fleet in its continuing ability to respond effectively to the challenges to come."

Medals: OMM – MSM – Canada 125 – CD and Bar

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 27 January 2007 in the rank of Captain(N).

Rear-Admiral Richard Weston Greenwood, OMM, MSM, CD

When Captain(N) Stewart Alsgard, OMM, CD was the Commanding Officer of HMCS Discovery (1978 to 1981), he decided to open a detachment of HMCS Discovery in his hometown of Powell River. Stewart lived in Powell River and commuted to Vancouver while CO. He later served as the Coroner in Powell River, became the Mayor of Powell River. To head up his sub-unit in Powell River, Stewart had Lieutenant-Commander Frank Greenwood attach posted to *HMCS Discovery*. Frank was a Principal in the School District of Powell River and had been the Commanding Officer of the 64 Malaspina Sea Cadet Corps. Frank brought his family from Dusseldorf Germany to Powell River BC in 1962. His three sons, Richard and twin brother Nigel and their brother Kevin, all started in this Sea Cadet unit. Richard and Kevin both joined the HMCS Discovery unit in Powell River.

From September 1975 to May 1979, Richard attended Royal Roads Military College with his twin brother Nigel in Victoria and transferring to the the Royal Military College of Canada in Kingston in September 1977. He graduated from RMC as a Sub-Lieutenant in May 1979. His initial posting was in Marine Engineering Training 1979. In 1981 he attended the University College London for Post Graduate Training in Marine Architecture and was promoted to Lieutenant (N) (MARE). In 1983 he was posted to MARPAC for the Naval Engineering Unit Pacific as Naval Architect.

He served then on exchange with the USN at the David Taylor Naval Ship Research and Development Center and was promoted to Lieutenant-Commander (MARE) in January 1986. He moved to the Directorate of Maritime Engineering and Maintenance for Concept Formulation Section as Project Officer Long Term Procurement in 1988. He then served in the Directorate of Maritime Engineering and Maintenance for Concept Formulation Section as Acting Section Head Naval Architecture Services.

He was promoted to Commander (MARE) in July 1991 and served as Deputy Project Manager (Ship) for Maritime Coastal Patrol Vessel (MCDV) Project. In 1993 he was to Halifax at the Naval Engineering Unit Atlantic as Naval Architect Officer. His next two postings in 1995 and 1996 were in Ottawa at MARCOM HQ as Deputy chief of Staff Engineering and Maintenance and then as Deputy chief of Staff Engineering and Maintenance 1996.

He returned to Halifax in 1996 as the Commandant of the Canadian Forces Naval Engineering School Halifax 1996. In 1999 he served as Project Manager of Submarine Capability Life Extension Project and Director of Maritime Class Management Submarines 1999. He was promoted to Captain (MARE) in July 2000. He was the Commanding Officer Fleet Maintenance Facility Cape Breton 2001 and then served on the National Security Studies Course.

Rear-Admiral Richard Weston Greenwood, OMM, MSM, CD (continued)

He was appointed as a Commodore (CF) in June 2005 and served as Director General Maritime Equipment Program Management. With his appointed as Rear-Admiral on 16 July 2010, he was posted as Canadian Defence Attaché and Commander Canadian Defence Liaison Staff (Washington) until he retired on 10 August 2012.

After retiring with 37-years of service in the RCN, Richard became a consultant with Seaspan/Victoria. Richard Greenwood holds a M.Sc. in Naval Architecture from the University College London and a B.Eng. in Mechanical Engineering from the Royal Military College of Canada. He was appointed an **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per the **London Gazette** of 27 January 2007 in the rank of Captain(N) and received the **Meritorious Service Medal (MSM)** as per the London Gazette of 18 December 2010 in the rank of Commodore. Citation reads:

Richard's brother Kevin was promoted to Captain(N). He did not wait to be promoted to Commodore but decided he wanted to live in Victoria and not Ottawa. So, retired from the RCN before becoming the third of the brothers to reach Flag rank and went to work for his brother Nigel teaching in the dockyard at CFB Esquimalt when Nigel was the MARPAC commander.



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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

IRVINE, James Andrew

Lieutenant-Colonel

Deployment Leader of a Long-Range Patrol Aircraft on Aerial Mapping of Afghanistan

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

GH: 28 October 2010

DOI: May to June 2009



"From May to June 2009, Lieutenant-Colonel Irvine led the deployment of a long-range patrol aircraft on aerial mapping missions in support of Canadian operations in Afghanistan. His exemplary leadership in the face of significant technical and logistical challenges ensured that the mission achieved a measure of success beyond that originally envisioned. The resulting imagery and mapping products gave Canadian and allied ground forces a tactical advantage over the enemy and provided government agencies with powerful tools to assess infrastructure and other critical elements on the ground."

Medals: MSM (2010) – General Service Medal ribbon Afghanistan (2009) - SSM bar NATO (2004) – Peacekeeping (1993) – NATO Article 5 ribbon for Eagle Assist (2002) – Diamond Jubilee (2012) – CD (1996) and Bar (2005) plus Commander, Military Command Commendation



November 2015 to June 2016	BGen	Joint Task Force Iraq, Camp Patrice Vince, Kuwait	Kuwait
July 2014 to November 2015	Colonel	Director of Plans (J5), Canadian Joint Operations Command	Ottawa
August 2013 to June 2014	Colonel	Student National Security Programme, Canadian Armed Forces, CF College	Toronto
August 2011 to July 2013	Colonel	Wing Commander, 14 Wing, CFB Greenwood, NS	Greenwood
July 2008 to August 2010	LCol	Commanding Officer 405 Squadron, CP-140 Aurora Aircraft	Greenwood
July 2007 to July 2008	LCol	J1 Coordination at Military Personnel Command	Ottawa
July 2006 to June 2007	Major	Student, Canadian Forces College (Masters' Degree)	Toronto
March 2003 to July 2006	Major	Chief Flying Instructor, NATO E-3A component Training Wing, Germany	Geilenkirchen
February 2001 to March 2003	Major	Flight Commander, NATO Airbase, Geilenkirchen, Germany Deployed on Operation Eagle Assist	Geilenkirchen
March 2000 to February 2001	Major	Deputy Commanding Officer, 404 Squadron (CP-140 Aurora aircraft)	Greenwood

Flying Experience 7,000 hours. Approx 6,500 military flying hours, nearly all of which is on multi-engine aircraft. 2,000 hours heavy jet. Extensive PIC and instructional experience.

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

LANTHIER, Jean-Marc

Colonel – 12e Régiment blindé du Canada
Deputy Commander Task Force Haiti

CMM (OMM) MSC MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

GH: 28 October 2010

DOI: January to March 2010

"Following the devastating earthquake in Haiti, Colonel Lanthier was deployed as the deputy commander of Joint Task Force Haiti, in Port-au-Prince, from January to March 2010. In that capacity, he coordinated all of the JTF's tactical and operational efforts. His experience, personal commitment and obvious capacity to work in a challenging environment greatly contributed to the enviable reputation enjoyed by the Canadian Forces and by Canada."

Awarded **Meritorious Service Cross (MSC)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 26 January 2008 in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel for services in Afghanistan.

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 26 March 2011 in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

Awarded **Commander of the Order of Military Merit (CMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 02 June 2019 in the rank of Lieutenant-General.

Awarded **Officer of the Legion of Merit (USA)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 30 September 2017 with second award on the same date.

Lieutenant-General Lanthier became the Chief of the Army on 16 July 2018.



Medals: CMM (OMM) - MSC – MSM – General Campaign Star ribbon Southwest Asia with 2 extra tour bars – Operational Service Medal ribbon Haiti - Peacekeeping – UNPROFOR – NATO bar Former Yugoslavia – EIIR Diamond Jubilee – CD and bar – Officer Legion of Merit (USA) with Oak Leaf (2nd Award)

Upon graduation from the University of Ottawa, Lieutenant-General Jean-Marc Lanthier joined the Canadian Armed Forces in 1989 as an armoured officer. His command appointments include 12e Régiment blindé du Canada, 5e Groupe-brigade mécanisé du Canada, 2e Division du Canada/Joint Task Force (East) and the Canadian Army Doctrine and Training Centre. He was also appointed Deputy Commanding General Sustainment I (US) Corps during a two-year exchange with the United States Army. Key staff appointments include Chief of Staff Headquarters 5e Groupe-brigade mécanisé, Director Land Requirements and Chief of Programme at National Defence Headquarters in Ottawa, Ontario.

LGen Lanthier participated in six international deployments and two domestic operations. He deployed three times with different units to the former Yugoslavia, under the mandate of the United Nations Protection Force and the NATO Stabilization Force. He commanded the first Canadian Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team in 2006/07 in the province of Kandahar, Afghanistan. He was the Canadian Deputy Commander Joint Task Force Haiti following the earthquake that hit Haiti in January 2010. From 2011 to 2012, he was the International Security Assistance Force Joint Command Director of Afghan National Security Forces Operations, in Kabul, Afghanistan. He became the Chief of the Army in 2018.



He obtained his Bachelor's degree in biochemistry from the University of Ottawa and his Master's degree in Applied Science from the University of Cranfield, England. LGen Lanthier completed the Land Force Command and Staff Course in Kingston, Ontario and the Advanced Command and Staff Course at the British Joint Services Command and Staff College. He is a graduate of Harvard Kennedy School in Watchfield, Oxfordshire and the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California.

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AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

McDONALD, Arthur Gerard

Captain(N) – Royal Canadian Navy

Commander of the Maritime Component to Task Force Haiti

MSM CD

Later Admiral

CG: 18 December 2010

GH: 28 October 2010

DOI: January to March 2010



"Captain(N) McDonald was deployed as the maritime component commander of Joint Task Force Haiti, from January to March 2010. His detailed understanding of the conduct of joint land operations, in the context of humanitarian assistance and recovery, was at the source of the very successful land and sea operations led by Her Majesty's Canadian Ships *Halifax* and *Athabaskan*. This, combined with his dynamic leadership, enabled the delivery of necessary supplies, labour and security to a ravaged landscape. His decisive actions had an immediate and enduring positive effect on the disaster zone, greatly contributing to Canada's international reputation."

Medals: CMM - MSM – SW Asia bar Afghanistan – Operational Service Medal ribbon Haiti - SSM bar NATO – Peacekeeping – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – EIIR Diamond Jubilee - CD and bar – Saskatchewan Centennial

Promoted Rear-Admiral and became Maritime Commander Pacific in 2016.

Promoted Vice-Admiral and became the Commander of the Royal Canadian Navy in 2019.

Promoted Admiral and became Chief of the Defence Staff in January 2021 – stepped down after 41 days while an accusation of sexual misconduct was investigated. No charges were laid but he was prevented from returning as CDS. He retired in early 2022



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

PENNY, Christopher Kenneth

MSM

CG: 18 December 2010

Lieutenant-Colonel – JAG Office (Reserves)

GH: 28 October 2010

Legal advisor to the Cdn Delegation negotiating the *Convention on Cluster Munitions*

DOI: September 2007

"Starting in 2007, Lieutenant-Colonel Penny was a member of and military legal advisor to the Canadian delegation that negotiated the *Convention on Cluster Munitions*. He played a principal and critical role in the development and inclusion of a provision in the Convention protecting the interoperability between States Parties and non-States Parties. His leadership has greatly contributed to Canada's ability to conduct and command future combined military operations with non-States Parties that are also key allies."

Professor Christopher Kenneth Penny, MSM

B.A. (Hons.)(Trent), LL.B. (Ottawa), M.A. (Carleton), LL.M. (Cornell)
University of Ottawa

Chris is Assistant Professor of International Law at the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs, and Deputy Director of the Centre for Security and Defence Studies, at Carleton University. His teaching and research focus on international law and international relations, in particular the legal regulation of the use of force (*jus ad bellum* and *jus in bello*).

Chris is also a reserve legal officer (Army Lieutenant-Colonel) with the Canadian Forces, serving in the Directorate of International and Operational Law in the Office of the Judge Advocate General. In this capacity, he has been a member of the Canadian delegation to various multilateral negotiations to ban the use of cluster munitions and has also served as a legal advisor to the Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team in Afghanistan.



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TULLOCH, Thomas Charles

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

Captain(N) – Royal Canadian Navy

GH: 28 October 2010

Acting Commander NATO Standing Naval Maritime Group 1 Anti-Pirating

DOI: 05 February 2010

"While deployed at sea on February 5, 2010, Captain(N) Tulloch was acting commander of NATO's Standing Naval Maritime Group 1 in the absence of its commodore. At mid-morning, he was alerted that Antigua and Barbuda-flagged Motor Vessel *Ariella* had been boarded by pirates. Hampered by communications problems and unable to contact his commander, he took immediate action and led the multinational coalition of ships and helicopters to the rescue. Under Captain(N) Tulloch's leadership, Standing Naval Maritime Group 1 was able to combat and apprehend the pirate vessel without injury or loss of life, bringing great credit to NATO and to Canada.

Medals: MSM – Southwest Asia bar Afghanistan – SSM bar NATO – Peacekeeping – CD and Bar – Alberta Centennial



AWARDED the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL MILITARY (MSM)

WATSON, Connie Noreen

MSM CD

CG: 18 December 2010

Captain – Royal Canadian Forces Medical Service's Nurse - RCAF

GH: 28 October 2010

Nursing Officer Coordinating Medical Relief with the Canadian Embassy Haiti

DOI: January to March 2010



"In response to the devastating earthquake that struck Haiti in 2010, Captain Watson was deployed as a nursing officer, from January to March of that year. Her coordination with the Canadian Embassy, with medical professionals and with other key stakeholders ensured that as many earthquake victims as possible received thorough medical treatment, despite having only basic medical equipment at her disposal and lacking normal shelter facilities. Her unwavering determination, medical expertise, leadership and professionalism were critical to the successful and expeditious evacuation of over 4 000 Canadians, including those with life-threatening illnesses and injuries. Her efforts brought great credit to the Canadian Forces and to Canada."

Medals: MSM – Operational Service Medal ribbon Haiti - CD

Reserve Nursing Officer from CFB Winnipeg

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