

# MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

## CITATIONS 2015

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**ALBERT, Mario**

Lieutenant-Colonel

Creation of the Junior Canadian Ranger Program

Head of the Canadian Cadet Organization

MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

GH: 24 June 2015

DOI: 2011 to 2014

DOI: 2006 to 2008

“Lieutenant-Colonel Albert demonstrated outstanding dedication toward the Canadian Cadet Organization while serving as its head from 2006 to 2008, and from 2011 to 2014. Through his leadership, commitment and sound advice, Lieutenant-Colonel Albert played a key role in helping young Canadians in uniform reach their full potential, notably through the creation of the Junior Canadian Ranger Program.”

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**CARTER, Stephen Wade**

Commander – Royal Canadian Navy

Commanding officer of Her Majesty’s Canadian Ship Charlottetown

MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

GH: 24 June 2015

DOI: January to August 2012

“As commanding officer of Her Majesty’s Canadian Ship Charlottetown, Commander Carter led his assigned forces through two distinct and challenging operations in the Mediterranean and Arabian seas, between January and August 2012. He laid the groundwork for future visits while simultaneously enhancing maritime security in a region rarely frequented by Canadian warships. Maximizing the use of all assets at his disposal, and exhibiting leadership and tactical acumen, Commander Carter ensured the ship’s operational success and enhanced Canada’s international reputation.”

**Medals:** MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon – Southwest Asia with bar Afghanistan – NATO – CD and bar



**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**CHARLEBOIS, Daniel Alan**

Commander – Royal Canadian Navy

Commanding officer of Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Regina DOI:

MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

GH: 24 June 2015

15 February to 03 August 2014

"As the commanding officer of Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Regina, Commander Charlebois was crucial to the success of two different missions between February 15 and August 3, 2014. Initially deployed in an antiterrorism role in the Indian Ocean, his ship was re-tasked on short notice to reinforce NATO allies in the Mediterranean Sea. Despite this sudden change, Commander Charlebois displayed great leadership and command presence, ensuring the crew adapted seamlessly, which brought great credit to the Canadian Armed Forces."



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**CRABB, William John**

Chief Warrant Officer – Royal Canadian Regiment

NATO Afghanistan Training Mission Sergeant-Major

**MMM MSM\* CD**

**BAR to MSM**

CG: Not Gazetted

GH: 24 June 2015

DOI: April 2013 to March 2014

"Chief Warrant Officer Crabb was deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan, as the NATO Training Mission sergeant-major from April 2013 to March 2014. His remarkable enthusiasm, initiative and collaboration with his mission counterparts, including the sergeant-major of the Afghan National Army, were essential to forging a non-commissioned officer corps within the Afghan National Security Forces. He achieved this by setting and personally exceeding the professional standard he set for others. Chief Warrant Officer Crabb's leadership and command presence reflected well upon the Canadian Armed Forces and Canada."

Awarded **Meritorious Service Medal (MSM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 19 April 2008 in the rank of Master Warrant Officer.

Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 09 December 2013 in the rank of Chief Warrant Officer.

**Medals:** MMM – MSM and Bar – Southwest Asia with bar Afghanistan – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and one extra tour – SSM with bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UNDOF – UNPROFOR – NATO with bar former Yugoslavia – EIIR Diamond Jubilee – CD and Bar



**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**DUFOUR, Marc André**

MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

Lieutenant-Colonel – Royal Canadian Artillery

GH: 24 June 2015

U.N. Organization Stabilization Mission Democratic Republic of the Congo

DOI: July 2012 to August 2013



“From July 2012 to August 2013, Lieutenant-Colonel Dufour did impressive work within the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. A visionary with a tremendous sense of diplomacy, he ensured that stakeholders from 11 countries agreed on the development of a new mandate and the introduction of the intervention brigade. His efforts were vital to implementing innovative changes within the Mission, bringing great honour to Canada.”

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**FERGUSON, David Michael**

MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

Lieutenant-Colonel

GH: 24 June 2015

Chief of Mission Support to U.N. Mission in the South Sudan

DOI: June 2013 to June 2014

“While deployed to the United Nations Mission in South Sudan from June 2013 to June 2014, Lieutenant-Colonel Ferguson excelled as the acting chief of the Mission Support Center during the extremely turbulent civil uprising in Juba. He maintained an uninterrupted flow of supplies to all UN elements by keeping logistics in place, all while prioritizing, coordinating and assuring relief efforts for 37,500 refugees. Working under the constant pressure of a potential evacuation, Lieutenant-Colonel Ferguson was instrumental to the success of the UN’s operation.”

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**FINN, Patrick Terence**

CMM MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

Commodore – Royal Canadian Navy

GH: 24 June 2015

Director General Maritime Equipment Program Management (DGMEPM)

DOI: July 2010 to November 2012

Chief Engineer of the Royal Canadian Navy

DOI: July 2010 to November 2012



“Commodore Finn served as Director General Maritime Equipment Program Management (DGMEPM) and chief engineer of the Royal Canadian Navy from July 2010 to November 2012. Demonstrating impressive leadership abilities and sharing expert advice, he played a significant role in the Halifax-class modernization project and in the return to operations of Victoria-class submarines. His dedication became the driving force behind the modernization project and helped to improve the effectiveness of DGMEPM’s organization.”

Awarded **Commander of the Order of Military Merit (CMM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 2015 in the rank of Commodore (Rear-Admiral when he received the medal).

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

**Medals:** CMM – MSM – SSM with bar NATO – Canada 125 – CD and 2 Bars

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## CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

**FOSTER, Robert**

Lieutenant-Colonel - GGFG

Operational Team Lead National Day of Honour for Afghanistan

MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

GH: 24 June 2015

DOI: 2012 to 2014

"From 2012 to 2014, Lieutenant-Colonel Foster served as the operational team lead for the most ambitious commemoration effort ever undertaken by the Canadian Armed Forces. He was paramount to the success of the Afghanistan Memorial Vigil, the National Day of Honour for Afghanistan and multiple activities related to the War of 1812. Responsible for the development of the concepts of operation and the synchronization of countless individuals' efforts, he enabled the flawless execution of these high-profile national events."



**Medals:** MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon – EIIR Diamond Jubilee – CD and Bar

### **Colonel Robert Foster, MSM, CD, Governor General's Foot Guards Canadian Attaché to the Ukraine**

Colonel Robert Foster joined **the Governor General's Foot Guards** in 1986 as a Guardsman. He chose a unique career path balancing part-time employment at unit, brigade and division level while employed on full-time service with the Army, Defence Research and Development Canada, and the Canadian Joint Operations Command.

Before commanding the GGFGs from 2006 to 2009 he was Adjutant, Operations Officer and commanded all sub-units. He was also the primary author of the 125th anniversary edition of the Regimental History, *Steady the Buttons Two By Two*.

During his command he was appointed as the Commanding Officer of 33 Territorial Battalion Group (TBG) which he held from 2006-2011. In 2010, during OP CADENCE (G8/G20) summit, he commanded the Task Force Immediate Reaction Unit (IRU).

On the day prior to 9/11, Major Foster was appointed the Army Domestic Operations Officer where he planned over 7 major Domestic Operations in five years. He also managed the Army Civil-Military Cooperation (CIMIC) capability which included development of international programs and the deployments of CIMIC teams to Bosnia, Haiti, and Afghanistan.

LCol Foster joined Defence Research and Development Canada, as the Senior Military Officer for the Centre of Operational Research and Analysis. He was responsible for the operational deployments of over 40 Defence Scientists and military staff.

In 2011, LCol Foster deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan with the International Security Assistance Force as the Chief Training for Counter-Improvised Explosive Device (CIED). On return he was appointed Reserve Advisor to Land Forces Central Area before taking up the position of Deputy Commander, 33 Canadian Brigade Group which he held until 2014.

In 2012, LCol Foster joined Canada Command as the J3 Special Events. In 2012, LCol Foster joined Canada Command as the J3 Special Events. LCol Foster developed, OP DISTINCTION, the seven-year plan for military commemoration which included activities such as the ceremony for the First Nations and Métis at Rideau Hall to recognize Aboriginal support to the War of 1812, and the National Day of Honour which was held on 9 May 2014 to commemorate Canada's Mission to Afghanistan; one of the largest military parades ever held on Parliament Hill and planned within four months.

Colonel Foster has been recognized for his service with the Meritorious Service Medal (2015) from the Governor General for his work on Commemorations, the Deputy Minister Commendation (2014) for the Afghanistan Memorial Vigil, Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal for voluntary service as Deputy Commander 33 CBG (2013), CDS Commendation (2011) for deploying Defence Scientists in Operations, DRDC DG CORA Commendation (2010) for leadership, and Commander Canadian Army Commendation (2004) for developing the Army CIMIC Capability.

Colonel Foster is a graduate of the Canadian Forces College, the Army Command and Staff College, and the Royal Military College of Canada.

Colonel Foster was promoted on 8 August 2014 to his current rank and assumed the position of Director Army Reserve which he held for three years. He briefly retired from service to travel around the world with his wife and three children before returning to duty as the Canadian Defence Attaché to Ukraine in 2015.



# **CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**HAMILTON, Jeffrey Michael**

Commander – Royal Canadian Navy

Commanding officer of Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Toronto Op ARTEMIS

MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

GH: 24 June 2015

DOI: April to July 2013



"While deployed to the Arabian Sea region as the commanding officer of *Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Toronto* and as the commander of Operation ARTEMIS from April to July 2013, Commander Hamilton integrated seamlessly into the crew despite joining the ship at mid-deployment. Commander Hamilton, through his leadership, indomitable spirit and professional ability, ensured his crew reached their maximum potential, which culminated in the largest seizure of narcotics ever conducted by a Canadian warship. His efforts, and those of his crew, brought great credit to the Canadian Armed Forces and to Canada."

**Medals:** MSM (and Bar) – Southwest Asia with bar Afghanistan – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon – Operational Service with ribbon Expedition – SSM bar NATO – Peacekeeping – NATO with bar former Yugoslavia – CD and bar

Awarded a **Bar to his MSM (MSM\*)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 16 June 2018 in the rank of Captain(N).



Promoted to Commodore (AWSE) in July 2018.

**HAMMOND, Lee John**

Lieutenant-Colonel – Royal Canadian Horse Artillery

Deputy Commander Cdn Contribution NATO Training Mission in Afghanistan

MSM\* CD

**BAR to MSM**

CG: Not Gazetted

GH: 24 June 2015

DOI: June 2013 to March 2014



"From June 2013 to March 2014, Lieutenant-Colonel Hammond excelled as the deputy commander of the Canadian Contribution to the NATO Training Mission in Afghanistan. His leadership helped to ensure that Canadian personnel in Afghanistan consistently delivered on their NATO commitments. He synchronized Canada's personnel drawdown plan from Afghanistan with the larger NATO plan, while preserving Canada's national imperatives in the region. Lieutenant-Colonel Hammond, through his accomplishments, enhanced Canada's reputation within the multinational environment."

Awarded **Meritorious Service Medal (MSM)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 13 August 2011 in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

**Medals:** MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and one extra tour bar – Peacekeeping – CD and Bar

**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**HISCOCK, Bradley Douglas**

Sergeant – Royal Canadian Air Force  
Flight Engineer – Rescue 915 Cormorant Helicopter

MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted  
GH: 24 June 2015  
DOI: 27 October 2011

**VEY, Dean Harvey**

Captain – Royal Canadian Air Force  
First Officer – Rescue 915 Cormorant Helicopter

MSM CD

“On October 27, 2011, Sergeant Hiscock and Captain Vey were respectively the flight engineer and the first officer onboard Rescue 915, a Cormorant helicopter, when they were tasked to rescue two hunters stranded in the Arctic waters near Igloolik, Nunavut. Facing high winds and rough seas, Sergeant Hiscock skilfully operated the hoist, while Captain Vey used his expert flying skills to recover the two hunters, as well as three search and rescue technicians who had previously parachuted in to assist them. Through their commendable efforts and actions, Sergeant Hiscock and Captain Vey contributed to the mission success, and brought great credit to the Canadian Armed Forces.”

**Medals - Captain Dean Vey:**

MSM – OSM with Haiti ribbon – SSM – CD and bar

**Medals – Sergeant Bradley Hiscock:**

MSM – Peacekeeping – NATO bar Kosovo – CD and bar



## CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

### HOPE, Ian Clarence

Colonel

Commander of Collective Training in Afghanistan

### MSC MSM CD

Rome, Italy

CG: Not Gazetted

GH: 24 June 2015

DOI: June 2012 to June 2013

"While deployed to Afghanistan from June 2012 to June 2013, Colonel Hope distinguished himself as the commander of Collective Training, and as the senior coalition member at the Consolidated Fielding Centre. Working alongside his Afghan counterparts, he achieved considerable success in developing the capabilities of the Afghan National Army. Colonel Hope's leadership highlighted Canada's commitment to developing strong, capable and autonomous Afghan National Security Forces, and was essential to the Centre's success."

**Medals:** MSC - MSM – Southwest Asia bar Afghanistan – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and two additional tour bar – SSM bar NATO – Peacekeeping – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – EIIR Diamond Jubilee - CD and Bar – Gulf War (Britain) – MSM (USA)

Awarded **Meritorious Service Cross (MSC)** as per **Canada Gazette** of 07 April 2007 in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel as Commanding Officer of Task Force ORION during his deployment with Task Force Afghanistan in 2006.

**Meritorious Service Medal (USA)** awarded to Colonel Ian Clarence Hope, MSC, as per **Canada Gazette** of 04 December 2010.



Colonel Ian Hope receiving the Meritorious Service Medal from the Canadian Ambassador to Italy, Her Excellency Alexandra Bugailiskis, on 24 June 2018 at the NATO Defence College in Rome.

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**KEENAN, John Arthur**

MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

Lieutenant(N) – Royal Canadian Navy

GH: 24 June 2015

OIC Royal Navy Diving Unit in Scotland, United Kingdom

DOI: February 2009 to August 2011

“As the officer in charge of the Royal Navy Northern Diving Unit in Scotland, United Kingdom, Lieutenant(N) Keenan displayed professionalism and perseverance in dismantling three letter bombs while preserving vital forensic evidence for law enforcement officials. His fortitude and efforts under extremely challenging circumstances led to the apprehension and eventual conviction of domestic terrorists. Lieutenant(N) Keenan’s initiative and steadfast determination brought great credit upon himself and the Canadian Armed Forces.”



Became Executive Officer of the Fleet Diving School in Halifax in August 2011 for 3 years.

In August 2014 became Joint Counter Explosive Threat Task Force - Naval Officer/Clearance Diver/EOD Tech, JCET TF, US Navy School for Explosive Ordnance Disposal.

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**LAVOIE, Luc**

MSM

CG: 14 November 2015

Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel

GH: 27 April 2016

Fusiliers Mont-Royal

DOI: 2009 to 2015

“Beginning in May 2010, Luc Lavoie has been senior advisor to the CEO of Quebecor Inc. As such he is mostly involved in the development of Sun News, a new all-news channel in Canada. From December 2000 to December 2008, Luc Lavoie was Executive Vice-President, Corporate Affairs, of Quebecor Inc. He was previously Executive Vice-President of National Public Relations, first at National’s Ottawa office, which he helped build and then at the Montreal office. In that capacity, he advised executives and policy-makers across North America and played a key role on some of the hot issues of the day. Before joining National, Mr. Lavoie was Canada’s Commissioner General to the Universal Exposition in Seville, Spain. His performance in that diplomatic post earned him recognition by the newspaper La Presse as its “Man of the Week.” Previously, Mr. Lavoie served in the federal government as Chief of Staff to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, Chief of Staff to the Secretary of State, and Deputy Chief of Staff to the Prime Minister of Canada. In that capacity, he supervised the Prime Minister’s foreign trips and was involved in all current political issues of importance. Between 1976 and 1986, Mr. Lavoie was national correspondent for La Presse Canadienne and then for the TVA television network. He has been a contributor to many other media outlets, including L’Actualité, CTV, Global and CNN. He was twice elected President of the Parliamentary Press Gallery. He has travelled extensively in the course of his career, visiting nearly 70 countries on 5 continents. He speaks French, English and Spanish. On a regular basis he has been invited as a lecturer by different universities, including the Université de Montréal and the Université du Québec à Montréal. He is also well known as a guest pundit on different public affairs shows, in both English and French. Luc Lavoie is a member of the board of the Canada Institute of the Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars, a prestigious think tank based in Washington. He is also a member of the board of the Fondation de l’Institut Pinel.”



In September 2009 the Minister of Defense appointed him Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel of the Fusiliers Mont-Royal, one of the most prestigious infantry regiments in Canada.

**Medal:** MSM (military)

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**MacCHARLES, Heather Joy**

Lieutenant-Colonel

Champion the Issue of Family Violence and Sexual Assault

MSM CD

CG: 04 August 2012

GH: 24 June 2015

DOI: 2009 to 2011



"Between 2009 and 2011, Major MacCharles exhibited personal courage, professionalism and leadership in her efforts to champion the issue of family violence and sexual assault. While spearheading a Canadian Forces-wide review on the subject, she identified deficiencies in the existing Canadian Forces policy. As a direct result of her perseverance, this sensitive issue was brought to the attention of the Armed Forces Council, which resulted in a complete review of and subsequent changes to the Canadian Forces' approach."

**Medals:** MSM – CD and Bar

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**MASSIE, James Gerald**

Honorary Colonel - Canadian Forces Base (CFB) Borden

Establishment of the Operation Hero Scholarship Fund

MSM

CG: Not Gazetted

GH: 24 June 2015

DOI: 2009



"In 2009, Honorary Colonel Massie initiated the establishment of the Operation Hero scholarship fund, which has since raised more than \$850,000, benefiting military dependants who attend Georgian College. His mentorship inspired creative, collaborative projects where military and civilian personnel worked together for the betterment of their shared communities. Honorary Colonel Massie's energy, professionalism and dedication have benefited the Canadian Armed Forces as well as his local community of Barrie."



**Medals:** MSM (Military) – EIIR Golden Jubilee – EIIR Diamond Jubilee

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**NEWMAN, John**  
Honorary Colonel  
48<sup>th</sup> Highlanders of Canada

MSM CD

CG: 14 November 2015  
GH: 27 April 2016  
DOI: 2007 to 2015

"For outstanding leadership and professionalism as the Honorary Colonel of the 48<sup>th</sup> Highlanders from July 2011 to December 2014."

**Honorary Colonel John NEWMAN, MStJ, MSM, CD 48<sup>th</sup> Highlanders of Canada**

Honorary Colonel John Newman MStJ, CD served with the 48<sup>th</sup> Highlanders of Canada as a Junior Officer from 1957 to 1962. He accepted the appointment of Honorary Lieutenant in July 2007 and was appointed Honorary Colonel in July 2011. He has been the Chairman and CEO of Multibanc Financial Holdings Limited, a private investment vehicle located in Toronto, since his retirement in 1990 as Deputy Chairman of Prudential Securities. Honorary Colonel Newman also served as Chairman of the First Canadian Place management committee from 1995 until 2007. He is currently Chairman of the AGF Family of Mutual Trusts and Corporations and is a director of a number of public and private Canadian corporations engaged in real estate development, insurance, investment, mining, forestry and financing. Honorary Colonel Newman is a member of the Senate of the St John Council for Ontario, Canada Company, the Royal Canadian Legion 165 Branch, the Royal Canadian Military Institute, the Board of Directors of Commissionaires Great Lake Financial and the Grey and Simcoe Foresters Honorable Guard. He is the Honorary Chairman of the 15<sup>th</sup> Battalion CEF Memorial Project and Operation Blue Puttees and Chairman of the St John Foundation Canada.



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**PLOURDE, Stephan Marcel**  
Lieutenant-Colonel – Canadian Forces Health Services  
Leader of the Armed Forces Academy of Medical Sciences Advisory Team

MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted  
GH: 24 June 2015  
DOI: July to December 2013

"Lieutenant-Colonel Plourde was deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan, as the leader of the Armed Forces Academy of Medical Sciences Advisory Team from July to December 2013. He developed and implemented a comprehensive health services plan for the Afghan National Security Forces by assessing how best to provide care with limited medical resources and time. His knowledge and leadership established a sustainable and relevant plan that was sensitive to the Afghans' needs. Lieutenant-Colonel Plourde's indispensable work brought honour to the Canadian Armed Forces and to Canada."

Stephan (Steve) Plourde retired from the Canadian Armed Forces Health Services after 35 years of exemplary service having reached the rank of Colonel and served as the Chief of Staff for the Canadian Forces Health Services. He led a variety of military healthcare organizations, both in care delivery as well as education and training, in Canada and abroad. In his previous role as CEO of Health Services Group East, Stephan was recognized as a leader in the provision of health care to all Canadian Armed Forces Personnel in Ontario, Quebec and the Atlantic provinces, where he managed an integrated health system of military hospitals and clinics. Prior to retiring, Stephan contributed to the military support to long-term care facilities in Ontario and Quebec during the initial months of the COVID-19 pandemic. In 2014, he was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal by the Governor General of Canada for his contributions and efforts in assisting the Afghan National Security Forces in building sustainable healthcare capacity. A graduate from the Master of Health Science program at the University of Toronto, he was chosen by the faculty as the recipient of the Robert Wood Johnson Award, given to the "student most likely to make a noteworthy contribution in the field of Health Services Administration". He is a Certified Health Executive (CHE) as well as a surveyor with Accreditation Canada and has surveyed in both provincial and federal jurisdictions in Primary Care, Home and Community care as well as Correctional Services and Aboriginal Health.



**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**RUNDLE, David Alan**

Lieutenant-Colonel

Canadian Military Attaché Canadian Defence Liaison Staff in Washington

OMM MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

GH: 24 June 2015

DOI: July 2011 to August 2014



"As the Canadian Armed Forces military attaché from July 2011 to August 2014 at Canadian Defence Liaison Staff (Washington), Colonel Rundle served as a critical information conduit between the United States Army and the Canadian Armed Forces. His professionalism and leadership ensured unprecedented Canadian access and influence during critical operations in Afghanistan, while his contribution to the Canadian-United States Engagement Strategy Agreement was instrumental in the management of exchange and liaison positions. Colonel Rundle's diplomatic efforts contributed to strengthening relations with the U.S., which brought great credit to Canada."

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 22 November 2008 in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

**Medals:** OMM – MSM – SSM bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UN Cyprus – UNPROFOR – CD and bar

**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**SHOPA, Timothy William**

MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

Lieutenant-Colonel – Royal Canadian Air Force

GH: 24 June 2015

Project Director CF-18 Replacement Program Evaluation of Options Team

DOI: February 2013 to February 2014

“From February 2013 to February 2014, Lieutenant-Colonel Shopa showed exceptional leadership as project director of the CF-18 Replacement Program Evaluation of Options Team. In this role, he served as the authoritative voice of the fighter community. His expertise, professionalism and remarkable execution of duty contributed significantly to DND’s renewed confidence in the program’s evaluation process.”



**Medals:** MSM – CD and Bar

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**SHUSTER, David William**

MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

Lieutenant-Colonel – Canadian Forces Military Police

GH: 24 June 2015

Deputy Commander of Police Training, NATO Training Mission, Afghanistan

DOI: November 2012 to Nov. 2013

“Lieutenant-Colonel Shuster was deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan, as the deputy commander of police training, NATO Training Mission, from November 2012 to November 2013. As the principal advisor to the Afghan National Police, he built strong relationships and established a dynamic esprit-de-corps that helped unite coalition forces and the Afghan police. The creation of a professional police force was a direct result of Lieutenant-Colonel Shuster’s leadership and guidance. His contributions to Afghan security were a credit to the Canadian Armed Forces and to Canada.”





**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**SMITH, Edward Patrick**

Chief Warrant Officer

Task Force Sergeant-Major Cdn Contribution NATO Training Mission Afghanistan

MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

GH: 24 June 2015

DOI: June 2013 to March 2014



"From June 2013 to March 2014, Chief Warrant Officer Smith excelled as task force sergeant-major of the Canadian Contribution to the NATO Training Mission in Afghanistan. His tireless efforts to engender goodwill with allied nations ensured Canada retained its influential role and its well-earned credibility during mission withdrawal. Chief Warrant Officer Smith's presence enhanced the Canadian Armed Forces' international reputation and helped to solidify Canada's legacy in Afghanistan."

**Medals:** MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and one extra tour bar – Peacekeeping – UN Cyprus – NATO bar Former Yugoslavia – CD and Bar

Chief Warrant Officer Edward P. Smith was born in Glace Bay, Nova Scotia in 1963. He enrolled in the Canadian Forces in 1983. Upon completion of his Field Artillery training he was posted to D Battery, 2nd Regiment, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery in Petawawa, Ontario.

CWO Smith was then posted to W Battery, Royal Canadian Artillery School, Gagetown, New Brunswick serving in several positions in the ranks of Gunner through to Master Bombadier from 1984-1988.

Subsequently, he was posted to the Canadian Forces Recruit School, Cornwallis, Nova Scotia where he was an Instructor from 1988-1989. Upon promotion to Sergeant in 1989, he reported to the 3rd Regiment, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery, Shilo, Manitoba where he held several positions from Gun Sergeant to Battery Tech Warrant Officer until the unit reduced to nil-strength in 1992 and replaced by 1st Regiment, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery which was repatriated to Shilo, Manitoba due to Canada's decision to withdraw the Canadian Armed Forces from Europe.

CWO Smith began his time with 1st Regiment, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery with his first of three peacekeeping tours when the unit deployed to Cyprus where he held the position of the Recce Sergeant with Recce Platoon from August 1992 to February 1993.

In January 1994, CWO Smith was promoted to Warrant Officer and attended the Assistant Instructor In-Gunnery (AIG) course at the Royal Canadian Artillery School in Gagetown, New Brunswick. Upon his return to the 1st Regiment, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery, he assumed various positions and participated in a domestic Operation during the Winnipeg Flood in 1997.

He began his second tour in July 1997 to January 1998 located in Bosnia where he served as the Battery Commanders Tech in Coralici. His third tour was February to September 2000 returning to Bosnia serving as a Platoon Warrant Officer with C Battery, 3rd Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry at the Platoon house in Bihac.

In 2002, he participated in a domestic Operation assisting with the G8 Summit in Kananaskis, Alberta and soon after was promoted to Master Warrant Officer and became the Battery Sergeant Major of C Battery, 1st Regiment, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery where he remained for the next three years.

In 2005, he relocated to Halifax, Nova Scotia assuming the position of G3 Resource and Equipment at Land Force Atlantic Area Headquarters where he remained until 2009. CWO Smith was then transferred to 45 Depot Battery, Royal Canadian Artillery School, Gagetown, New Brunswick serving as the Battery Sergeant Major from 2009-2010.

In June 2010 CWO Smith was promoted to Chief Warrant Officer and appointed to the position of Regimental Sergeant Major, 1st Regiment, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery, Shilo, Manitoba.

CWO Smith takes pleasure in his recreation vehicles and is also a fan of numerous sports including auto racing, hockey, baseball, football and golf. He has successfully completed two-half marathons as well as a Mountain Man competition held in Land Force Western Area.

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### CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

**WHITECROSS, Christine Theresa**

CMM (OMM) MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

Major-General – Royal Canadian Air Force

GH: 24 June 2015

Secretary General of the International Military Sport Council (CISM)

DOI: May 2013

"In May 2013, Major-General Whitecross was elected as the International Military Sport Council (CISM) secretary general. In this position, she combined the arduous work of overseeing the 66-year-old military sporting organization with her Canadian Armed Forces responsibilities. Not only did she succeed in doing both roles exceptionally well, but she also crafted new strategic and business plans, which effectively transformed CISM into a modern organization shaped by shared Canadian values."

**First Female promoted to Lieutenant-General in the Canadian Forces** in June 2015.

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 25 June 2005 in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

Awarded **Commander of the Order of Military Merit (CMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 04 June 2016 in the rank of Major-General.

Awarded **Meritorious Service Medal (USA)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 09 June 2012 in the rank of Major-General.



**Medals:** CMM (OMM) – MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and 1 extra tour bar – SSM – Peacekeeping – UNPROFOR with 2 extra tour bars – NATO with bar Former Yugoslavia – EIIR Diamond Jubilee – CD and bar – USA MSM

### **Lieutenant-General Christine WHITECROSS, CMM (OMM), MSM, CD**

Lieutenant-General Chris Whitecross enrolled in the Canadian Forces while at Queen's University, in Kingston, Ontario when she was nineteen in 1982. She joining the Canadian Military Engineers after spending 4 years in the Cadet program.

After completing her phase training at the Canadian Forces School of Military Engineering in the spring of 1986, she received her first posting to the Construction Engineering section at CFB Baden-Soellingen, Germany. She was promoted to Captain in 1988.

After a posting to Canadian Forces Base Edmonton, in 1989, she was promoted to Major in 1992 and appointed Requirements Officer for Foreign Military Training at 5 Wing Goose Bay. In 1995, she was selected for a one-year tour as the G1/G4 for the Force Engineers, United Nations Protection Force, in the Former Republic of Yugoslavia. Her tour in the FRY culminated in her selection as the Force Engineer upon the arrival of NATO forces, and the closure of the UNPROFOR mission.



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Upon return to Canada, Major Whitecross was posted to 14 Wing Greenwood, as the Wing Construction Engineering Officer where she remained for two years until her selection to attend the Canadian Forces College, Toronto, in 1998. On promotion to Lieutenant-Colonel in the fall of that year, she was posted to 1 Canadian Air Division Headquarters, Winnipeg and while at 1 CAD, held the position of A4 Airfield Engineering Operations.

From 2001 to 2003, she was the Commanding Officer, 1 Construction Engineering Unit, Moncton, after which she was selected as Executive Assistant to the Chief of the Air Staff at National Defence Headquarters, Ottawa. Upon promotion to Colonel in 2004, she assumed the duties of Director of Infrastructure and Environment Corporate Services for the Assistant Deputy Minister (Infrastructure and Environment) and in 2006 the duties of Joint Engineer of the newly established Canada Command. She was made an **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 25 June 2005.

In July 2006, she became the first female Commander, Joint Task Force (North), Yellowknife, NWT. In March 2007, she was promoted to Brigadier-General and continued at the Commander, Joint Task Force (North).

In 2009, she became the Deputy Commander, Canadian Operational Support Command, Ottawa. In June 2010, she became the Deputy DCOS Comms, ISAF HQ, Kabul Afghanistan.

She was promoted to the rank of Major-General at the end of her one year tour with ISAF HQ on 30 June 2011. Major-General Whitecross was posted into the position of Chief of Staff for Assistant Deputy Minister (Infrastructure and Environment) and appointed Chief Military Engineer of the Canadian Forces at National Defence Headquarters on 9 August, 2011.



Major-General Christine Whitecross was **promoted to the rank of Lieutenant-General** and appointed Chief of Military Personnel / Commander Military Personnel Command in July 2015, the **first female promoted to the rank of Lieutenant-General in the Canadian Forces**. In December 2016, she became the Commander of the NATO Military College.

Lieutenant-General Whitecross received a Bachelor's Degree in Chemical Engineering from Queen's University in 1984 and a Master's Degree in Defence Studies from the Royal Military College. She is a graduate of both the Command and Staff College and the Advanced Military Studies Course, both conducted at the Canadian Forces College

She retired in July 2020.

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**WILCOX, David Russell**

MSM CD

CG: Not Gazetted

Commander – Royal Canadian Navy

GH: 24 June 2015

Canadian Armed Forces Health Services attaché to the United States

DOI: August 2011 to July 2014

“As the Canadian Armed Forces Health Services attaché to the United States from August 2011 to July 2014, Commander Wilcox was devoted to the development and progression of international medical agreements and policy. In particular, he was integral in the negotiation of a reciprocal health care agreement that ensures Forces personnel are well positioned to work in a combined health services environment, and that members stationed in the United States will receive proper medical care.”

**Medals:** MSM – SSM with 2 bars – Peacekeeping – NATO bar Former Yugoslavia – EIIR Diamond Jubilee - CD



**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**BONNEVILLE, Patrick Lynn**

MMM MSM CD

CG: 14 November 2015

Major

GH: 03 April 2017

Special Operations liaison officer to the United States Special Operations Command

DOI: 2011 to 2014

“From 2011 to 2014, while serving as the Canadian Special Operations Forces Command (CANSOFCOM) Special Operations liaison officer to the United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM), Major Bonneville was instrumental in developing and strengthening the relationship between these organizations. As a strategic planner, he directly contributed to the development of USSOCOM's Global Special Operations Forces Network, as well as shaping a role for CANSOFCOM's active participation.”

“For outstanding professionalism as the CANSOFCOM Special Ops Liaison Officer to the United States Special Operations Command (US SOCOM) from 2011 to 2014.”

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

US SOCOM = United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM or SOCOM).

It is the Unified Combatant Command charged with overseeing the various Special Operations Component Commands of the Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps of the United States Armed Forces.

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**BOYD, Jason Robert**

Commander – Royal Canadian Navy

Commanding Officer – HMCS Regina on Op Artemis

MSM CD

CG: 14 November 2015

GH: 29 February 2016

DOI: 03 July 2012 to 14 March 2013

“As commanding officer of Her Majesty’s Canadian Ship *Regina*, Commander Boyd demonstrated his leadership ability while deployed to the Arabian Sea from July 2012 to March 2013. His professionalism, diplomatic skills and stalwart efforts contributed to maritime security, to Canada’s diplomatic and military ties in the region, and to the enhanced safe passage of international shipping. Commander Boyd’s performance was integral to the success of the operation and brought great credit to the Canadian Armed Forces.”

“For outstanding leadership and professionalism as the Commanding Officer of HMCS Regina while deployed to the Arabian Sea from July 2012 to March 2013.”

HMCS Regina left her home port of Esquimalt, British Columbia on 03 July 2012 heading for the Arabian Sea and Joined Combined Task Force 150 on 21 August 2012. She returned to Esquimalt on 14 March 2013.



**Medals:** MSM – Southwest Asia with bar Afghanistan – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon – CD



**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**CHURCH, William Michael**

Major (now Lieutenant-Colonel) – Royal Canadian Air Force  
Tactical Commander of Air Task Force Mali

MSM CD

CG: 14 November 2015

GH: 27 April 2016

DOI: January to April 2013



“From January to April 2013, Major Church deployed to Istres, France, as tactical commander of Air Task Force Mali. Demonstrating flexibility and ingenuity, he overcame a variety of operational challenges to ensure the successful airlift of over three million pounds of cargo and almost 800 troops in support of France’s operations in Mali. Major Church’s leadership, unwavering professionalism and capacity for improvisation were praised by the French authorities and brought significant recognition to the Canadian Armed Forces.”

“For outstanding leadership and unwavering professionalism as the Tactical Commander of Air Task Force Mali while deployed to Istres, France, from January to April 2013.”

Awarded **Bronze Star (USA)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 26 October 2013 in the rank of Major.

Awarded **National Defence Medal in Bronze (France)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 28 December 2013 in the rank of Major.

**Medals:** MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and one extra tour bar – CD and bar – Bronze Star (USA) – National Defence with bar Armée de l’air (France)



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**FEYKO, Jason Matthew**

Major – Royal Canadian Regiment  
Leadership of the “Soldier On” program

MSM CD

CG: 14 November 2015

GH: 27 April 2016

DOI: 2012 to 2015



“Since 2012, Major Feyko’s dedication to and leadership of the Soldier On program have been exceptional. The support he provides to participants inspires them to exceed expectations in their recovery and to focus on innovative ways to achieve new goals. Major Feyko’s contributions and his desire to improve the program have made a significant and lasting difference in the lives of injured Canadian Armed Forces members and their families.”

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

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**GRÉGOIRE, Joseph Claude Stéphan**

MSM CD

CG: 14 November 2015

Major - RCAF

INVESTED: 05 October 2016

RCAF Expeditionary Capability at 2 Air Wing Bagotville

DOI: June 2008 to March 2015

“From June 2008 to March 2015, Major Grégoire distinguished himself as a key executive and visionary with 2 Air Expeditionary Wing in Bagotville, Quebec. His innovative approach, leadership and dedication helped to bring about a remarkable evolution in the expeditionary capacity of the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF). A proactive leader, Major Grégoire established the first operations-support element, a vital tactical element of the RCAF’s air expeditionary operations, all to his credit.”

“For outstanding his exceptional contribution to the development and success of the RCAF Expeditionary capability as a key leader at 2 Air Expeditionary Wing at Canadian Forces Base Bagotville, Quebec from June 2008 to March 2015.”

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**GRENIER, Mélanie**

MSM CD

CG: 14 November 2015

Master Corporal

GH: See Footnote

Key role in resolving a crisis involving a Canadian citizen

DOI: 2014

“In 2014, Master Corporal Grenier played a key role in resolving a crisis involving a Canadian citizen. Her efforts in supporting the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) and Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development (DFATD) were vital to resolving the situation. Master Corporal Grenier’s unwavering dedication to the Government’s emergency response team bolstered the CAF’s credibility with respect to DFATD’s strategic sectors and brought great honour to Canada.”

Award citation was included in the Honours and Recognition of the men and women of the Canadian Armed Forces in 2015.

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# **CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**HARDING, Brian**  
Sergeant  
Send Up The Count

MSM CD

CG: 14 November 2015  
GH: 29 February 2016  
DOI: December 2013

**IRVINE, Jordan**  
Master Corporal

MSM (CD)

CG: 14 November 2015  
GH: 29 February 2016



“In December 2013, Sergeant Harding and Master Corporal Irvine were instrumental in spearheading *Send Up the Count*, a grassroots mental health initiative. The project encouraged military personnel to reach out via social media and other methods to serving and retired members of the Canadian Armed Forces who may be in danger of harming themselves. Within a week, they had reached over 9 000 members and greatly helped in combatting the stigma associated with mental illness.”

“For outstanding dedication in developing and spearheading a grassroots movement utilizing social media to reach out to Canadian Forces Serving members and veterans who may have been in danger of harming themselves in December 2013 based on a routine in Afghanistan called ‘Send Up the Count’.”

M/Cpl (now Sgt) Irvine, MSM – GG – Sgt Brian Harding, MSM, CD

Master Corporal Irvine and Sergeant Harding begun a social media campaign to encourage their fellow soldiers to get in touch with buddies from battles gone by and ensure no one is unwell, slipping into depression or heading toward suicide. Master Corporal Jordan Irvine came up with the idea in December 2013 as news of four Canadian Forces suicides was spreading across the country. Irvine and Harding refined the idea into a campaign called *Send Up The Count*. It was named after a military command given on patrols to have each soldier in turn reach out and tap the soldier in front and announce their presence.”

**Sergeant Harding’s Medals:** MSM – General Campaign Star SWA ribbon and 2 extra tour bars – EIIR Diamond Jubilee – CD

**M/Cpl Jordan Irvine’s Medals:** MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**MANN, Russell Barry**

Colonel – Royal Canadian Air Force  
Director of Military Family Services

OMM MSM CD

CG: 14 November 2015

GH: 27 April 2016

DOI: 2012 to 2015



“From 2012 to April 2015, Colonel Mann successfully transformed Military Family Services into a vibrant entity endowed with renewed inspiration to address and respond to the challenges facing Canadian Armed Forces military families. Displaying great leadership, Colonel Mann has revolutionized the organization’s services and programs. He has become the voice of military families in Canada, leaving an unmatched legacy within the Military Family Services organization.”

“For outstanding leadership and professionalism as the Director of Military Families at NDHQ in Ottawa from 2012 to 2015”



Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 06 June 2015 in the rank of Colonel.

**Medals:** OMM – MSM – Southwest Asia with Afghanistan bar – Peacekeeping – UN Observer Group Central America – Multinational Force and Observation (MFO) – EIIR Diamond Jubilee - CD and 2 bars – MSM (USA)



**MANSOUR, Richard Patrick**

Major – CFHS Dental Corps  
Leader - Dental Advisory Team to the Medical Sciences Advisory Team Afghan

MSM CD

CG: 14 November 2015

GH: 27 April 2016

DOI: June to November 2012

“From June to November 2012, Major Mansour deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan, as a Dental Advisory Team leader. While there, he provided leadership and guidance that were directly responsible for the successful growth of the Afghanistan Dental Society and its expansion into a national dental professional body. Major Mansour’s contributions have left a lasting legacy for the Afghan people.”

“For visionary leadership and superb performance as Dental advisory team leader within the armed Forces Academy of Medical Sciences Advisory Team in Afghanistan from June to November 2012.”

**Medals:** MSM – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and one extra tour bar - CD





**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**O'REILLY, James Douglas**

MSM CD

CG: 14 November 2015

Captain(N) – Royal Canadian Navy

GH: 27 April 2016

Project Director for the Maritime Equipment Program Management Strategic Initiative

DOI: 2009 to 2014

“Captain(N) O'Reilly demonstrated a high degree of leadership and professionalism while serving as the project director for the Maritime Equipment Program Management Strategic Initiative (MSI) from 2009 to 2014. He delivered a robust naval material assurance program to ensure that the fleets were fit for their purpose and that they met material safety and environmental requirements. Captain(N) O'Reilly's vision and efforts were the key to the delivery of improved material safety and operationally effective engineering support to the Royal Canadian Navy.”

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**SHORT, Russel Scott**

MSM CD

CG: 14 November 2015

Sergeant

GH: 29 February 2016

Rescue on Mount Arrowsmith, B.C.

DOI: 22 September 2013

“On September 22, 2013, Sergeant Short was instrumental in the rescue of a seriously injured hiker on Mount Arrowsmith, in British Columbia. He led over 100 rescue volunteers from five different ground search and rescue organizations, and utilized his expertise as a rope rescue specialist to lower the victim 1100 metres safely down the mountain. Sergeant Short's exceptional contribution was critical to this successful extrication, which constitutes one of the longest rope rescue operations in British Columbia's history.”

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**CITATIONS to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)**

**VOYER, Bernard**

Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel  
2<sup>nd</sup> Canadian Ranger Patrol Group

**OC CQ MSM**

CG: 14 November 2015  
GH: 01 October 2015  
DOI: June 2008 to October 2015

“Since his appointment to 2<sup>nd</sup> Canadian Ranger Patrol Group in June 2008, Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel Voyer has been an outstanding ambassador for the Canadian Armed Forces. He has demonstrated tireless support for and dedication to the Canadian Rangers and Junior Canadian Rangers, taking every opportunity to promote youth development in northern communities and organizing a number of large-scale expeditions.”

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Canada (OC)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 20 October 2001 for his work as an explorer have visited both Poles and climbed Mount Everest.

Awarded **Member of L'Ordre du Quebec (CQ)** in 1997.

Awarded **Knight of the Legion of Honour (France)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 03 November 2007.

**Medals:** OC – CQ – MSM – EIIR Golden Jubilee – EIIR Diamond Jubilee – Knight of the Legion of Honour (France)

**Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel Bernard Voyer, OC, CQ, MSM**

A Canadian explorer and mountaineer who was born in Rimouski, PQ. He has skied across Ellesmere Island; travelled to the North Pole in 1994 and the South Pole in 1996; climbed Mount Everest in 1999 and Mount Fuji in 2004. He is the first Canadian to have reached the world's highest summit and the North and South poles with no outside assistance. Only three other people in the world have managed this feat. He was awarded the Gold Medal of the Royal Canadian Geographical Society in 2000. He was awarded an honorary PhD in Geography from Laurentian University in Sudbury, Ontario in 2001.

He makes his living as a motivational speaker.



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