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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

AMAN, Jeffrey ('Jeff') Charles Lorne

MMM MSM CD

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

Chief Warrant Officer

GH:

Sergeant-Major of Joint Task Force – Impact, linking commands in 7 countries

DOI: April to June 2019

“For exceptional leadership and being instrumental in linking multiple command teams across seven countries when deployed to Kuwait as Joint Task Force – Impact Sergeant-Major from 2019 to June 2020.”

“Chief Warrant Officer Aman was deployed to Kuwait April 2019 to June 2020 as Sergeant-Major of Joint Task Force IMPACT. He immediately launched the systemic adjustment of the operational culture, reinforced the Senior Non-Commissioned officer cadre, and adjusted the mission mindset to one that was operationally focused. Moreover, he was instrumental in linking multiple command teams across seven countries. Chief Warrant Officer Aman’s exceptional leadership under extremely challenging and dangerous conditions contributed to Canada’s success in the middle east.”



Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** 22 May 2010 of in the rank of Master Warrant Officer

Medals: MMM – MSM – Gulf War Medal with Bar – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon with one extra tour bar – General Campaign Medal with ribbon Expedition - Peacekeeping – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – NATO with bar Kosovo – CD and Bar

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BABIN, Nicholas André Michael ('Mike')

MSM CD

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

Lieutenant-Colonel – RCAF CO 430 (Squadron)

GH:

Innovative transition tools and services for CF member and their families

DOI: January 2019 to August 2019

“For outstanding performance, effective leadership and tactical acumen when deployed to Gao, Mali, as Commander of the Aviation Battalion from January to August 2019.”



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BARFOOT, James Douglas

MSM CD

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

Master Corporal

GH: 09 November 2023

First Canadian National Security Agency Red Team Qualified Operator

DOI: 2015 to 2019

“For professionalism and dedication as the First Canadian and Second Party National Security Agency Red Team Qualified Operator, Canadian Forces Information Operations Group Headquarters, Detachment Fort George D. Meade, United States of America from 2015 to 2019.”

“From 2015 to 2019, Master Corporal Barfoot became the first Canadian and second Party National Security Agency Red Team qualified operator. During two cyber exercises, he developed an enormous virtual environment, with hundreds of targets, and led the opposing force Red Team as technical director. As acting curriculum manager—a position requiring a Ph.D.—he substantially improved the cyber occupation course curriculum and delivery method. His professionalism and dedication have strengthened the Canada-United States relationship on cyber capabilities development.”

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CAMERON, Kelvin Ivan

Colonel

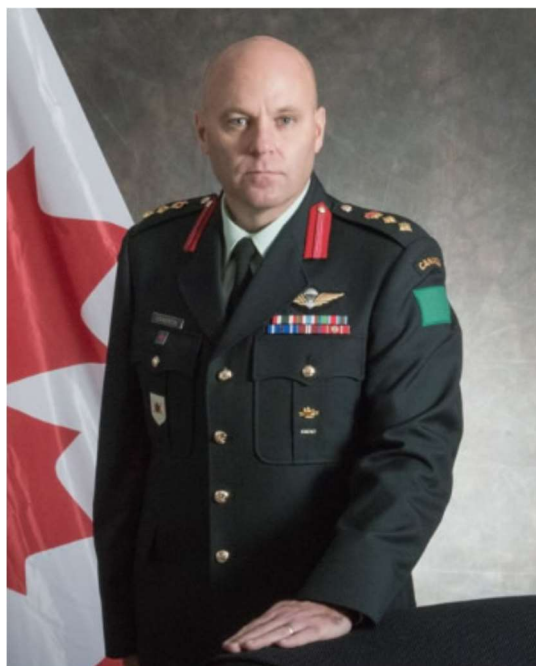
Innovative transition tools and services for CF member and their families

MSM CD

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

GH: 08 November 2021

DOI: January 2018 to July 2020



"For remarkable leadership, noteworthy contributions and personal actions in the development and implementation of innovative transition tools and services for Canadian Armed Forces member and their families, as Director Transformation and Strategic Planning in Ottawa, Ontario from January 2018 to July 2020."

"Colonel Cameron has demonstrated remarkable visionary leadership over the past three years and has been the driving force behind reinventing transition. His devotion and collaborative approach have significantly strengthened the Canadian Armed Forces' (CAF) partnership with Veterans Affairs Canada. His exemplary work ethic and expertise in the transition space were instrumental to the development and implementation of innovative transition tools and services for CAF members and their families. Colonel Cameron's noteworthy contributions and personal actions epitomize the fundamental values espoused by the CAF."

Medals: MSM – SSM bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UNPROFOR – UN Mali – NATO with bar former Yugoslavia – EIIR Diamond Jubilee – CD and Bar

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CÔTÉ, Joseph Raymond Frederick

Lieutenant-Colonel

Task Force Commander Military Mission to assist the Security Forces of Ukraine

MSM CD

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

GH: 08 November 2021

DOI: April to October 2019

"For exemplary leadership, outstanding professionalism and high level of discernment and ingenuity when deployed as Task Force Commander during the Canadian Armed Forces Military Mission to assist the Security Forces of Ukraine from April to October 2019."

"From April to October 2019, Lieutenant-Colonel Côté was deployed as Task Force commander during the Canadian Armed Forces military mission to assist the Security Forces of Ukraine. He demonstrated a high level of discernment and ingenuity in order to improve all operational aspects of the joint forces. He skilfully used communication and partnership as a cornerstone of his innovative plan to promote Canada's contribution. Lieutenant-Colonel Côté's exemplary leadership and professionalism brought international attention to the military contribution to Canada's strategy in Ukraine."

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CHARTRAND, Patrice Pascal

Chief Warrant Officer – Royal 22eR

Sergeant-Major of the Mission to Assist the Security Forces of Ukraine

MMM MSM* CD

Bar

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

GH: 08 November 2021

DOI: April to October 2019

“For leadership and involvement in the professionalization of Ukrainian Non-Commissioned Officers when deployed as Sergeant-Major of the Mission to Assist the Security Forces of Ukraine from April to October 2019.”

“From April to October 2019, Chief Warrant Officer Chartrand was deployed as sergeant major of the mission to assist the Security Forces of Ukraine. His involvement in the professionalization of Ukrainian non-commissioned officers inspired them and strengthened the cohesiveness of the multinational effort. His performance and judgment illustrated the ideal of the NCO, combining experience and critical thinking. Chief Warrant Officer Chartrand's leadership enhanced the Canadian Armed Forces' reputation for excellence among representatives of the agencies present in Ukraine and contributed to Canada's positive branding on the world stage.”

Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 13 August 2011 in the rank of Sergeant.

Awarded **Meritorious Service Medal (MSM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of in the rank of 13 August 2011 in the rank of Sergeant in the Royal 22eR.



Medals: MMM – MSM and Bar – Southeast Asia with bar Afghanistan – General Campaign Star with Southeast Asia ribbon and one extra tour bar – SSM with bar NATO – Peacekeeping – UN Cyprus – UNPROFOR – UN Haiti with 2 Bars – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – ELIR Diamond Jubilee – CD and two bars (11)

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DENEAU, Erik Douglas

Lieutenant-Colonel

COS Ops Headquarters of the Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali
2019

MSM CD

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

GH:

DOI: August 2018 to September

“For designing a counter improvised explosive device operation and for exceptional efforts when deployed to Bamko as Chief of Operation within the Headquarters of the Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali from August 2018 to September 2019.”

“From April to October 2019, Lieutenant-Colonel Côté was deployed as Task Force commander during the Canadian Armed Forces military mission to assist the Security Forces of Ukraine. He demonstrated a high level of discernment and ingenuity in order to improve all operational aspects of the joint forces. He skilfully used communication and partnership as a cornerstone of his innovative plan to promote Canada's contribution. Lieutenant-Colonel Côté's exemplary leadership and professionalism brought international attention to the military contribution to Canada's strategy in Ukraine.”

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FERRISS, Allan Edward

Lieutenant-Colonel – RCAF - CMCEN
Chief of Operations for Task Force Mali

MSM* CD
Bar

CanForGen: 21 February 2021
GH: 08 November 2021
DOI: January to August 2019



“For relentless pursuit of excellence, personal dedication and exemplary conduct when deployed to Gao as Chief of Operations for Task Force Mali from January to August 2019.”

“Lieutenant-Colonel Ferriss was deployed to Gao, Mali, from January to August 2019, as chief of operations for Task Force Mali. Responsible for the day-to-day conduct, coordination and future planning for all tactical units, Lieutenant-Colonel Ferriss demonstrated stalwart leadership and relentless mission focus that enabled responsive and agile tactical aviation operations in support of the UN Multi-dimensional Stabilization Mission in Mali. Lieutenant-Colonel Ferriss’ relentless pursuit of excellence, personal dedication and exemplary conduct set the conditions for mission success, bringing great credit to the Canadian Armed Forces.”

Awarded **Meritorious Service Medal (MSM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** 04 June 2016 of in the rank of Major.

Medals: MSM – General Campaign Star with SE Asia ribbon – Peacekeeping – UN Mission in Sudan (UNMIS) - UN Mali - CD

Commanding Officer, 77 Line Regiment, Canadian Military Communications and Electronics Network in 2020-2021.



UNMIS (UN Mission Sudan)



UN Mali

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GREEN, Jamie Donald David

MSM CD

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Major

GH: 18 November 2021

Leadership of combined, Joint, & interagency intelligence architecture in an operation DOI: 2019

"For being the driving force behind the creation and leadership of combined, Joint, and interagency intelligence architecture devoted to an operation."

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HOLAH, Ralph E.

MSM CD

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

Major

GH: 18 November 2021

Developed a collateral damage estimation course for the CF Targeting Enterprise DOI: 2014 to 2018

"For dedication and tactical expertise in the development and implementation of an internationally recognized and accredited collateral damage estimation course for the Canadian Armed Forces Targeting Enterprise from 2014 to 2018."

"From 2014 through 2018, Major Holah developed and implemented an internationally recognized and accredited Collateral Damage Estimation (CDE) course for the Canadian Armed Forces Targeting Enterprise. His tireless efforts evolved and aligned the CAF course with key allied partners and international standards. He is a trusted expert in the United States and his input on policy and technical issues is regularly sought out. Major Holah's dedication and tactical expertise in CDE methodology has brought great credit to the Canadian Armed Forces."

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HOWELL, Scott Thomas Eugene

MSM CD

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Master Warrant Officer - RCHS

GH: 08 November 2021

Established the 2019 Novel Coronavirus Protocols for Operation Impact DOI: 2019

"For proactive leadership approach and remarkable actions when deployed on Operation Impact as part of a Special Operations Task Force."

"While deployed on Operation IMPACT, Master Warrant Officer Howell demonstrated proactive leadership that ensured the Special Operations Task Force was well prepared for unprecedented challenges. He applied the highest standards of a non-commissioned officer while refining force protection measures, establishing the 2019 Novel Coronavirus protocols, and playing an instrumental role during a national retrograde. Master Warrant Officer Howell's remarkable actions brought great credit to the Canadian Armed Forces."

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LEBEL, Jean Alexandre

MSM CD

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Lieutenant-Commander – RCN (now Commander)

GH: 09 November 2023

Canadian Intelligence Liaison Officer to the US Central Command, Tampa, Florida DOI: July 2018 to June 2020

"For outstanding performance when deployed as Canadian Intelligence Liaison Officer to the United States Central Command, Tampa, Florida, United States of America from July 2018 to June 2020."

"Assigned to Tampa, Florida, Lieutenant-Commander Lebel excelled as Canadian intelligence liaison officer to the United States Central Command from July 2018 to June 2020. With an unwavering dedication to the dissemination, synchronization and fusion of intelligence, he was instrumental in establishing Canadian intelligence as a reliable and integral component of the Five Eyes intelligence community. Lieutenant-Commander Lebel's outstanding performance ensured the mission's success and had a positive and lasting impact on Canada-US relations."

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MERRY, Steven Vincent

Chief Warrant Officer

Sergeant-Major of the Mission to Assist the Security Forces of Ukraine

MMM MSM* CD

Bar

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

GH: 08 November 2021

DOI: October 2018 to November 2019



“For tremendous leadership and for being an outstanding role model when deployed to Baghdad as initial command Senior Enlisted Leader of the NATO Mission Iraq from October 2018 to November 2019.”

“Chief Warrant Officer Merry was deployed to Baghdad from October 2018 to November 2019, as initial command senior enlisted leader of NATO Mission Iraq. He proved central to the development of a cohesive group dedicated to mission success, despite significant obstacles and challenges. An outstanding role model, he consistently demonstrated the critical importance of the non-commissioned officer corps to Iraqi and international counterparts alike. Chief Warrant Officer Merry’s leadership was essential to establishing a new and vital mission, and ensured Canadian credibility on the world stage.”

CWO Steven Merry (left)

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

Awarded **Meritorious Service Medal (MSM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 04 January 2020 in the rank of Chief Warrant Officer.

On 09 December 2019, he was promoted to the rank of Major in the 1st Canadian Division.

Medals: MMM – MSM and Bar – Southwest Asia with bar Afghanistan – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon and one extra tour bar – Peacekeeping – UNPROFOR – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – MFO with 2 – CD and Bar



Major Steven Merry, MMM, MSM*, CD

Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

NAHACHEWSKY, Ivan Ostop

MSM

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

Captain – Padre attached North Saskatchewan Regiment

GH: 08 November 2021

Task Force Padre to Yavoriv, Ukraine Security Forces

DOI: October 2019 to April 2020

“For outstanding professionalism and exceptional outreach efforts when deployed as Task Force Padre to Yavoriv, Ukraine, from October 2019 to April 2020.”

“Captain Nahachewsky was deployed to Yavoriv, Ukraine, from October 2019 to April 2020. As task force padre, he expanded his role of internal pastoral support by fostering connections within the Ukrainian Orthodox community. Furthermore, he increased Canadian exposure with community outreach projects and collaborated directly with religious leaders on public holiday celebrations. Captain Nahachewsky’s outstanding professionalism and exceptional outreach efforts operationalized his role by expanding the influence of the Canadian task force within the Ukrainian community and effectively growing the international partnership.”

Captain Ivan Nahachewsky, MSM, Canadian Force Chaplain Corps

In addition to his parish duties and his obligations to the bishop, Father Ivan joined the Canadian Armed Forces in 2014, following the lead of his son who joined the military after high school. Father Ivan's son pointed out the army needed padres, and after seeing the need, Father Ivan joined the Canadian Armed Forces. Father Ivan now holds the rank of Captain. After the idea was planted in my heart, I had to consult with Bishop Bryan and with my other boss, Debbie. That process took about 6 months. Then there were two applications that needed to happen, the army had to accept me, as did the chaplain services. I was told that my application was very smooth and very fast. And within 6 months I was loaded onto three courses: one DL (Distance learning), one in St. Jean, Quebec and one in Borden, Ontario. Together these courses took 11 weeks to complete.



I took a 5-month sabbatical and I owe its success to Deacon Harrold Salahub. He was the primary administrative, liturgical and pastoral care provider for the Prince Albert District while I was away. Thank you. A secondary goal during my sabbatical was a study of iconography at Mount Tabor Monastery in Redwood Valley, California. At the end of it all I came back as Captain Nahachewsky.

The training in St. Jean was all about learning to be a soldier. We wore cadpat all the time. There were 24 of us in our intake, half were doctors and half were padres. I was very nervous about doing this abbreviated basic training at my age. As it turned out I was indeed the oldest person on our course. I was nervous about my fitness level, until I met the rest of the group. I was within the top third when it came to running or push-ups or marching with a rucksack. During this course we learned many things: how to be punctual, to obey orders, to march, to master drills like donning gas masks, preparing for inspections, living in a FOB (Forward Operating Base – fiberglass cabins surrounded by barbed wire), making weapons safe (Padres do not discharge firearms), first-aid, how to eat fast, how to sleep fast, to make decisions under pressure, etc. This was the most physically challenging part of our training.

The training at Borden was about being a chaplain. Here we abandoned our army boots and wore polished oxfords. The dress was DEUs, which means Dress Elemental Uniforms – ironed shirts and crisp creases worn with ties. During this month we were in the classroom all the time. We wrote essays and memos and briefing notes. We studied military laws, rules and orders. We did research assignments and prepared liturgical service. We practiced notifying Next of Kin. Our final assignment was how to advise the CO – Commanding Officer. This was the most academic part of our training and for me was the hardest, but God is good and I passed.

My first Remembrance Day in Uniform was in the Nations Capital and I was overwhelmed. The poppy will never be the same again. The next two Remembrance Days found me in Saskatoon at the largest indoor ceremonies in Canada. All my life I always thought that the big moment for a chaplain was the 30 minutes on stage surrounding 11:00, but now I know that the chaplain's role is several hours later being attentive to the troops as they, in their own way, remember the recent fallen.

When I was first considering this ministry, I asked "Why would the army invest in a 50-year-old priest when mandatory retirement is age 60 (with possible one-year extensions)?" The answer came "If we invest in you, we get 25 years of pastoral experience for free." Now it is obvious to me that all my priesthood prepared me to be a better military chaplain and that my military training enhances my eparchial efforts.

As a Reservist, I am expected to be present on Tuesdays and one weekend a month. I have a lot of control, with both the parish and the military, to say when I can and cannot be available. In the last couple of years, it has been 70 – 90 days (or half-days) per year that I work with the army. In the case that you are wondering, the army pays better than the church. But to be completely honest with you I do not do either vocation for the money. I do them because I am convinced that God has called me to serve. How do I manage my time within these current ministries? If you were my confessor then you would have heard that I am constantly juggling my responsibilities and that I often "drop a ball". My schedule is pretty full, but that is the kind of guy I am. Here is a typical week. Monday is my day off. Tuesday is my military day. On Wednesday and Thursday, you can find me in Hafford and North Battleford Districts. Friday is for catch up. I used to call it my eparchial day, but my eparchial responsibilities don't limit themselves to one day a week. I use Fridays for the eparchy or the parishes or extra military time or sometimes even just to have a break. Saturday is parish work and Sunday is liturgical with a smattering of sacramental, meetings, catechesis or whatever else is opportune. The whole week is also punctuated with 700 -900 kilometers of driving.

The army, as does my priesthood, offers me many great opportunities. My next amazing adventure with the army will happen after the feast of Theophany on the Julian calendar. As you know, Ukraine is in turmoil with politics and war. During the "Maydan" we



beheld riveting pictures of chaplains standing between the lines of violence. Now, on the front lines of the war, there are many chaplains ministering to the soldiers. These chaplains are all volunteers. The Ukrainian government desires that their chaplains be part of the army. They also wish for them to be non-combatant and multi-faith. This is very similar to the way that the Canadian Military Chaplains are organized. For the last year Canada and Ukraine have been in dialogue concerning military chaplaincy. The conversations have led to visits and common training and now the Staff of the Canadian chaplaincy school is preparing to go to Ukraine in order to present in detail how Canada recruits, selects, and trains their chaplains. The objective is to share our best practices, so that Ukraine can create a chaplaincy program best suited to its own needs. There will be professional translators for all the official presentations. I have been invited to participate for several reasons. First, I have sufficient Ukrainian language skills to be an asset to the encounter and second, I am a Primary Reserve Chaplain. I can be an example of how a priest who works in a parish and is involved with the Eparchy can contribute to the ministry of Military Chaplaincy.

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

PINHORN, James Eleazor

MSM CD

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

Major - RCAF

GH: 08 November 2021

Aircraft Commander of Rescue 901 in a fierce North Atlantic Storm NE St. John's

DOI: 5 March 2017

"For outstanding leadership, composure and life saving performance under perilous conditions as the Aircraft Commander of Rescue 901 in a fierce North Atlantic Storm 280 kilometers Northeast of St. John's Newfoundland and Labrador on 05 March 2017."

"On March 5, 2017, as the aircraft commander on Rescue 901 of 103 Search and Rescue Squadron, Major Pinhorn responded to a mayday call from the fishing vessel *Northern Provider*, caught in a fierce North Atlantic storm 280 kilometres northeast of St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador. Through an outstanding display of leadership, composure and life-saving performance under perilous conditions, Major Pinhorn expertly piloted the rescue helicopter to save five fishers who had abandoned ship in extremely hazardous sea conditions."



Medals: MSM – CD

Former Commanding Officer 103 SAR Squadron

RCAF Rescue 901 crew receives Cormorant Trophy (2018)

The Royal Canadian Air Force crew of search and rescue helicopter "Rescue 901" won this year's Cormorant Trophy for the rescue of five crewmen forced to abandon a fishing vessel 250 km offshore in fierce weather and rough seas. The Cormorant Trophy was commissioned by Leonardo (formerly AgustaWestland) in 2002 as an award to be presented annually to a Canadian civilian, government or military helicopter crew performing the most demanding helicopter rescue of the year.

This year's Cormorant Trophy recipients from 103 Squadron at CFB Gander include: Major Jim Pinhorn, Aircraft Commander; Captain Nicole Lively; First Officer; Master Corporal Sean O'Callaghan; Flight Engineer, Sergeant Damien Robison; Search and Rescue Technician (SARTech) Lead, Master Corporal Anthony Bullen, SARTech Member.



"The selfless heroism displayed by the team onboard Rescue 901 in this monumental rescue of the crew of the Fishing Vessel *Northern Provider* exemplifies the efforts of all RCAF search and rescue crews each and every time they head off into danger to put their lives on the line to save Canadians from coast-to-coast-to-coast," said Mark Fair, Canadian Customer Support, Leonardo Helicopters. Fair presented the Cormorant Trophy to the recipients in a ceremony at CFB Gander.

"It is an honour to be recognized for the actions of our crew during this rescue mission," said Major Pinhorn, who is also Commanding Officer of 103 Squadron. "The men and women of 103 [SAR] Squadron, as well as those from search and rescue organizations all across Canada, routinely exhibit professionalism and make tremendous sacrifices in order to ensure that they successfully fulfill their respective SAR mandates."

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

PRÉVOST, Jacques Paul Robert

Brigadier-General - RCAF

Director of the 609th Air Operations Center of the US Central Command Doha, Qatar

OMM MSM* CD

Bar

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

GH: 08 November 2021

DOI: February to July 2018

“For outstanding leadership and tactical acumen during his deployment to Doha, Qatar, as Director the 609th Air Operations Center of the United States Central Command Multinational Force from February to July 2018.”



“From February to July 2018, Brigadier-General Prévost was deployed to Doha, Qatar, as director of the 609th Air Operations Center of the United States Central Command Multinational Force. His outstanding leadership and tactical acumen quickly earned him the respect and trust of American and coalition leaders, and contributed to tactical, operational and strategic advances against Daesh and the Taliban. Brigadier-General Prévost played a key role in the fight against Daesh and in coalition counter-insurgency operations, and made an extraordinary contribution to peace and security in the Middle East.”

Awarded **Officer of the Order of Military Merit (OMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 09 February 2013 in the rank of Colonel.

Awarded **Meritorious Service Medal (MSM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** 08 December 2012 in the rank of Colonel while Commander of the Joint Task Force Afghanistan Air Wing.

Medals: OMM – MSM and Bar – General Campaign Star with Allied Forces ribbon – General Campaign Star with SWA ribbon – Peacekeeping – NATO bar former Yugoslavia – ELIR Diamond Jubilee - CD and Bar

Promoted Major-General in 2021 and appointed Director of the Strategic Joint Staff.



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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

SCHULZE, Tyler

MSM CD

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

Warrant Officer

GH: 08 November 2021

Developed first Canadian position within the Overhead Collective Management Denver DOI: June 2018 to June 2019

“For professionalism, dedication and efforts in the development of the first Canadian position within the Overhead Collective Management in Denver, Colorado, United States of America from June 2018 to June 2019.”

“From June 2018 to June 2019, Warrant Officer Schulze was instrumental in the development of the first Canadian position within the Overhead Management Centre in Denver, Colorado. He played a critical role in organizing a tailored training program designed specifically to develop and operationalize Canada’s new burgeoning capability. Warrant Officer’s Schulze’s efforts promoted Canada among other country partners in a highly professional manner that brought considerable benefit to the Canadian Armed Forces and the Department of National Defence.”

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SHAMAS, Mohamad A.

MSM CD

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

Lieutenant-Colonel

GH: 08 November 2021

Commanding Officer of the Operational Support Hub in Kuwait – South-West Asia

DOI: August 2019 to July 2020

“For sound advice and remarkable initiative when deployed to Kuwait as Commanding Officer of the Operational Support Hub – South-West Asia from August 2019 to July 2020.”

“Lieutenant-Colonel Shamas was deployed to Kuwait from August 2019 to July 2020 as commanding officer of the Operational Support Hub—South-West Asia. During his assignment, he ably provided logistical support to this most important and diverse Canadian Armed Forces mission. He provided sound advice to numerous commanders and defence attachés, leading to successful operations in seven countries. Through his remarkable initiative, Lieutenant-Colonel Shamas exercised significant leadership and influence, which brought honour to Canada.”

LCol Shamas right cutting Logistics cake



Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

ONE NOT NAMED

MSM

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

No Rank

GH:

Canadian Special Operations Force Command Member

DOI: Between 2018 and 2020

"One Member of the Canadian Special Operations Forces Command has been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal. For security and operational reasons, the name and citation of the recipient are not released."

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

BARKER, Christopher Robert

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Lieutenant(N) - RCN

GH: 08 November 2021

Preserving the history of *Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Skeena*

DOI: 1992 to 2021

"Since 1992, Lieutenant(N) Barker has demonstrated a sustained commitment to preserving the history of Her Majesty's Canadian Ship *Skeena*, and to commemorating the sailors who served and perished during a violent storm on October 25, 1944. On his own initiative, he gathered historical artefacts, organized annual memorial services, spearheaded the construction of a monument in Iceland, and organized a recreational trip for all cadets. His unwavering dedication honoured veterans, inspired cadets and created a legacy for all Canadians."

BARLOW, William

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Commander - RCN

GH: 08 November 2021

Commanding Officer of *Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Ottawa* in the Indo-Asia Region

DOI: August to December 2019

"From August to December 2019, Commander Barlow demonstrated outstanding leadership and professionalism as commanding officer of *Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Ottawa* while deployed to the Indo-Asia Pacific region. He subsequently assumed command of Her Majesty's Canadian Ship *Calgary* from March to May 2020, during Operation LASER, the Canadian Armed Forces' response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Commander Barlow's exceptional ability to build combat-capable teams and excel in operations significantly advanced Canadian international and domestic strategic objectives."

Medals: MSM - Operational Service – Operational Service – EIIR Diamond Jubilee – CD and Bar



BOLAND, Joseph

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Lieutenant-Colonel

GH: 08 November 2021

Commanding Officer of Task Force – Latvia National Support Element

DOI: January to July 2020

"As the commanding officer of Task Force – Latvia's National Support Element from January to July 2020, Lieutenant-Colonel Boland displayed remarkable leadership, creativity, patience and unwavering commitment to mission success. His efforts guaranteed a safe, COVID-19-constrained environment for all soldiers, enhanced logistical support, and enabled Canada to improve upon its duties as a framework nation in NATO's deterrence efforts. Lieutenant-Colonel Boland's outstanding performance during a global health crisis directly contributed to the tremendous success of Canada's mission in Latvia."

Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

BROWNFIELD, Maxwell

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Captain

GH: 08 November 2021

Counterterrorism Operations in Iraq with the US Central Command in Qatar

DOI: April 2019 to November 2020

“From April 2019 to November 2020, Captain Brownfield demonstrated outstanding professionalism in supporting counterterrorism operations in Iraq while employed in the United States Central Command Partnership Integration Enterprise in Qatar, and the Joint Targeting Intelligence Centre in Ottawa, Ontario. In particular, his contributions to innovating remote intelligence exploitation resulted in operational success both on the battlefield and for the Canadian Armed Forces Targeting Enterprise. Captain Brownfield’s efforts significantly enhanced the process by which intelligence information is shared in a coalition environment.”

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CAMERON, Caroline

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Major – CFHS Op LASER

GH: 08 November 2021

Commander of the Initial Medical Assistance Force in the Montréal region

DOI: April to July 2020

“From April to July 2020, Major Cameron distinguished herself with honour through her exceptional commitment and dedication as commander of the Initial Medical Assistance Force in the Montréal region. Her quick initial actions were critical and resulted in the effective integration of military personnel into the residential and long-term care centres (CHSLD) during Operation LASER. To meet the growing demand for assistance, her team welcomed more than 200 personnel to help more than 2 000 vulnerable residents in 15 CHSLDs. Major Cameron’s outstanding leadership and professionalism contributed to the exceptional outreach by the Canadian Armed Forces.”

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

CÔTÉ, Simon Hugh Guillaume

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Commander - RCN

GH: 08 November 2021

Director of the Arctic/Offshore Patrol Ship Project

DOI: September 2018 to September 2020

“As director of the Arctic/Offshore Patrol Ship Project from July 2018 to September 2020, Commander Côté demonstrated unwavering determination to ensure the delivery of the first vessel of the fleet renewal project. Through his focused and dynamic efforts, he gained the confidence of numerous stakeholders from National Defence, various government departments and industry. His exemplary leadership led to the delivery of Her Majesty’s Canadian Ship *Harry DeWolf*, the first warship built as part of the National Shipbuilding Strategy.”

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DUMAS, Joseph Stéphane

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Colonel

GH: 08 November 2021

Canadian Task Force commander and as Deputy Chief of Staff Ops (MONUSCO)

DOI: July 2019 to August 2020

“From July 2019 to August 2020, Colonel Dumas was deployed as Canadian Task Force commander and as deputy chief of staff – Operations and Plans, as part of the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO). He successfully led the planning and execution of operations against armed groups, ensured the protection of civilians, oversaw MONUSCO’s response to COVID-19 and strengthened democratic institutions and the rule of law. A skilled commander, Colonel Dumas contributed significantly to the mission and brought great honour to Canada.”

Retired from the Canadian Forces on 21 September 2021.

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

FLUET, Martin Yvon

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Captain(N) - RCN

GH: 08 November 2021

Commanding Officer *HMCS Toronto* deployed in the Mediterranean and Black Seas

DOI: January to August 2019



“Captain(N) Fluet was deployed to the Mediterranean and Black seas from January to August 2019 as commanding officer of Her Majesty’s Canadian Ship *Toronto*. A highly effective warfare commander, he distinguished himself within the NATO fleet by his operational expertise and keen understanding of the adversary while operating in close proximity to Russian forces. With his remarkable leadership and firm grasp of tactical and strategic needs, he ensured that the ship’s crew remained vigilant and safe, all while admirably representing Canada.”

Medals: MSM – SW Asia bar Afghanistan – Operational Service Medal ribbon Expeditionary – CD and Bar – National Defence Medal in Bronze (France)



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FOXTON, Brian Kevin

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Commander – RCN (now retired)

GH: 08 November 2021

Project Director for the Canadian Surface Combatant Project

DOI: May 2018 to March 2021

“As project director for the Canadian Surface Combatant Project from May 2018 to March 2021, Commander Foxton demonstrated unwavering resolve throughout the successful design phase, ensuring the Royal Canadian Navy’s requirements were properly fulfilled. His special talent for articulating military requirements and developing common understanding among diverse military and civilian stakeholders was pivotal to the project. His knowledge, leadership and perseverance have helped prepare the future fleet to meet Canada’s needs and obligations for years to come.”

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

FUKAKUSA, James Brian Beoji

MSM

CanForGen:

Captain - RCHS

GH: 08 November 2021

Task Force Surgeon when deployed to Kuwait for Operation IMPACT

DOI: May 2020 to February 2021

“From May 2020 to February 2021, Captain Fukakusa was deployed to Kuwait. After his arrival, he was unexpectedly thrust into the role of Operation IMPACT task force surgeon and senior medical authority, wherein he performed beyond reproach and well above the expectations of his rank. His strategic understanding of the COVID-19 pandemic, coupled with his expert provision of medical advice, enabled the chain of command to return to full operations in minimum time, while endeavoring to protect all personnel from the virus.”



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GAUDREAU, Joseph Dominic Stéphane

MMM MSM CD

CanForGen:

Chief Warrant Officer

GH: 08 November 2021

Sergeant Major of NATO Mission Iraq

DOI: November 2019 to November 2020

“As sergeant major of NATO Mission Iraq from November 2019 to November 2020, Chief Warrant Officer Gaudreau made an exemplary contribution to the mission command team during a very demanding period. His loyalty, courage, intellectual acumen and diplomacy enabled him to play a key role during a tumultuous time stemming from restrictions imposed to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Chief Warrant Officer Gaudreau embodies the excellence sought in our senior non-commissioned officers. He contributed significantly to NATO Mission Iraq and brought great honour to Canada within the Alliance.”

Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 06 June 2016 in the rank of Chief Warrant Officer serving with 5 Canadian Combat Regiment.

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

LANGLAIS, Joseph Arthur Paul

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Lieutenant-Colonel

GH: 08 November 2021

Chief Liaison Officer UN Organization Stabilization Mission Congo (MONUSCO)

DOI: January 2019 to August 2020



"From January 2019 to August 2020, Lieutenant-Colonel Langlais was deployed as chief liaison officer for the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO). His outstanding leadership and engagement resulted in a strong partnership between MONUSCO and the Forces armées de la République démocratique du Congo, which allowed the dispersed liaison section to play a vital role in protecting civilians. Lieutenant-Colonel Langlais did an exceptional job representing Canada, and his efforts significantly contributed to the mission's success."

UN Medal MONUSCO



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MAHONEY, James Trent

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Chief Petty Officer 1st Class - RCN

GH: 08 November 2021

Coxswain of *Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Halifax* deployed to the Mediterranean

DOI: July 2019 to January 2020

"From July 2019 to January 2020, Chief Petty Officer 1st Class Mahoney distinguished himself as coxswain of Her Majesty's Canadian Ship *Halifax* while deployed to the Mediterranean. Displaying exceptional deck-plate leadership and problem-solving skills, he united the ship's crew, thereby empowering command to deliver mission effectiveness as the flagship of Standing NATO Maritime Group 2. Chief Petty Officer 1st Class Mahoney's unconditional dedication to the crew's well-being and morale, coupled with his tireless work ethic, contributed immensely to the ship's mission success."

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

MARTIN, Karoline Anna

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Captain - CFHS

GH: 08 November 2021

Oversaw CF-augmented Civilian Care Teams into Seven Ontario LTC Homes

DOI: April 2020 to July 2020

"From April 2020 to July 2020, Captain Martin oversaw the deployment of Canadian Armed Forces-augmented civilian care teams into seven Ontario long-term care facilities, where she ensured technical and professional standards of care and practice were implemented and maintained. Moreover, her honest and diligent reporting of on-site conditions resulted in significant government mobilization towards solutions. Captain Martin's critical leadership and expertise during the COVID-19 pandemic resulted in operational success that was forefront in the public eye."

She was the Officer Commanding, Standards Company, Chief Standards Officer, Canadian Forces Health Services Training Centre, Department of National Defence.



Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

MI, Yu

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Captain – Logistics Officer

GH: 08 November 2021

Procurement of Personal Protective Equipment at the start of COVID-19

DOI: April 2020

“During the early months of the COVID-19 pandemic, beginning in April 2020, Captain Mi expertly led a team of military and industry personnel in establishing a ground-breaking digital supply chain for the Government of Canada's procurement of personal protective equipment. In collaboration with the Public Health Agency of Canada, the team's development of multiple low- and high-value contracts resulted in the ability to immediately receive, store and efficiently distribute tens of millions of items. Captain Mi's exceptional efforts were critical to ensuring a successful response to the COVID-19 pandemic.”

Captain Yu MI

Logistics Officer

Canadian Forces

Dates Employed:

May 2007 – Present

Employment Duration:

14 years 7 months

Location:

Winnipeg, Canada Area



Worked in both domestic and international capacities. Worked with a wide range of organizations, including the Army, Public Works Government of Canada, the Canadian Embassy, foreign military, local and international suppliers. Experiences in project management, procurement / contracting, ERP systems, finance, and Human Resources (HR) management.

Developed several local logistical policies and procedures, which provided clear guidelines and directions to non-administrative users.

I provided leadership and guidance at my unit during the Departmental implementation of SAP supply system.

I have abundant international work experience, I was deployed for 7 months in eastern Europe to support a NATO Baltic Air Policing mission, I created professional development opportunities with Lufthansa Technik in Germany, and I attended an International Study Trip to Hong Kong as part of my MBA program.

Ambitious and eager to learn, I'm currently pursuing an MBA in Supply Chain Management and a Certified Supply Chain Professional designation. I've recently completed a literature review on Reverse Supply Chain Management.

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

MONDELLI, Barbara Alena

MMM MSM CD

CanForGen:

Chief Petty Officer 1st Class - RCN

GH: 08 November 2021

Coxswain *HMCS Toronto* as part of Standing NATO Maritime Group 2

DOI: January to August 2019

"From January to August 2019, Chief Petty Officer 1st Class Mondelli was deployed to the Mediterranean as coxswain of *Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Toronto*. Her outstanding leadership and mentorship were critical in integrating and focusing the non-commissioned members of Standing NATO Maritime Group 2 towards diplomatic strategic objectives. Furthermore, her presentation on the joint Canadian Forces and NATO goal of gender equality across the ranks, which she delivered to the Ukrainian Military Academy, garnered significant attention and reflected favourably on the CAF."

Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 22 March 2014 in the rank of Chief Petty Officer 2nd Class while serving in HMCS Algonquin.



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

Chief Petty Officer 1st Class Barbara Alena Mondelli, MMM, MSM, CD
Base CPO – CFB Halifax

Mondelli has spent nearly 30 years in the Canadian Armed Forces. She was promoted to petty officer second class in 2002 and worked for many years as a naval communicator. She has worked at military bases in British Columbia, Ontario, Quebec and Halifax. She has also worked on several Canadian military ships throughout her career.

She served as the Coxswain of HMCS Toronto from July 2018 until August 2019. She then became the Personnel Coordination Center Atlantic Unit Chief Petty Officer. She was appointed as the first female Base Chief Petty Officer in the RCN on 21 July 2021 when she became the Base CPO at CFB Halifax.



Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

NELSON, Scott Edward

MVO CStJ MSM CD

CanForGen:

Commander - RCN

GH: 08 November 2021

Commanding Officer HMCS Halifax Flagship of Standing NATO Maritime Group 2

DOI: July 2019 to January 2020



"From July 2019 to January 2020, Commander Nelson displayed remarkable leadership while deployed to the Mediterranean as commanding officer of Her Majesty's Canadian Ship *Halifax*, during its term as flagship of Standing NATO Maritime Group 2. He successfully led the fleet in locating and monitoring Russian forces, participating in large-scale operations and exercises with other NATO and allied nations, and executing strategic engagements in foreign ports to advance Canada's global interests. Commander Nelson's professionalism contributed to Canada's high standing among its allies."

Awarded **Member of the Royal Victorian Order** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 09 October 2020 in the rank of Lieutenant-Commander while serving as Canadian Forces Equerry-in-Waiting to the Queen.

Awarded **Commander of the Order of St. John (CStJ)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 08 May 2021 in the rank of Commander.

Medals: MVO – CStJ – MSM – SSM – Peacekeeping – NATO – NATO – EIIR Golden

Jubilee – EIIR Diamond Jubilee – CD – St. John Ambulance Service Medal

OAKE, John Dwayne

MMM MSM CD

CanForGen:

Chief Petty Officer 1st Class - RCN

GH: 08 November 2021

Coxswain of HMCS *Toronto* on Deployed to the Baltic, Norwegian and North Seas

DOI: July to December 2020

"From July to December 2020, as coxswain of Her Majesty's Canadian Ship *Toronto*, Chief Petty Officer 1st Class Oake was deployed to the Baltic, Norwegian and North seas in support of NATO assurance measures. He displayed remarkable leadership, which ensured the morale and well-being of the crew and fostered unit cohesion. Chief Petty Officer 1st Class Oake's close coordination and collaboration across all departments within the ship was the bedrock for maintaining unity of effort on operations, and was vital to HMCS *Toronto*'s operational effectiveness."

Awarded **Member of the Order of Military Merit (MMM)** as per the **Canada Gazette** of 01 June 2019 in the rank of Chief Petty Officer 2nd Class.

ONYSHCHENKO, Sergiy

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Master Sailor - RCN

GH: 08 November 2021

Multi-disciplined Language Analyst at the Alaska Mission Operation Center

DOI: 2015 to 2018

"As a multi-disciplined language analyst at the Alaska Mission Operation Center from 2015 to 2018, Master Sailor Onyshchenko greatly contributed to the strengthening of collaborative efforts between the United States and Canada, and increased the security of Allied and NATO forces. In addition to identifying a new point of access on a priority target, he contributed to over 100 reports, in which he addressed critical intelligence gaps. His innovative approach to analysis has had a profound and far-reaching impact on the intelligence community."

Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

POUDRIER, Simon

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Colonel

GH: 08 November 2021

Lead an integrated Logistics Team at the Public Health Agency of Canada COVID-19 DOI: March to July 2020

"From March to July 2020, Colonel Poudrier demonstrated outstanding professionalism in support of the Government of Canada's emergency response to the COVID-19 pandemic. By leading an integrated logistics team at the Public Health Agency of Canada, he contributed to the successful execution of a sustainable and large-scale logistics operation that allowed Canada to respond appropriately to this global crisis. Colonel Poudrier excelled in this critical task of national importance, which brought great honour to the Canadian Armed Forces."

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POULIN, René

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Lieutenant-Colonel - RCAF

GH: 08 November 2021

Deputy Commandant of Royal Military College (RMC) Saint Jean

DOI: 2016 to 2020

"As deputy commandant of Royal Military College (RMC) Saint-Jean from 2016 to 2020, Lieutenant-Colonel Poulin excelled during a period of significant change. A builder and facilitator of internal and external relations, he was the driving force behind the College's return to university status. Thanks to his diplomacy and tireless energy, he was able to brilliantly reassure and guide all military and civilian personnel by setting common and achievable goals. Through his efforts and dedication, Lieutenant-Colonel Poulin contributed to the success of RMC Saint-Jean's mission."

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

Lieutenant-Colonel René POULIN, MSM CD, RCAF

LCol René Poulin enrolled in the Canadian Armed Forces in 1991 as an Officer Cadet at the Royal Military College of Saint-Jean. In 1996, he graduates from the Royal Military College of Canada and the following year he obtains his pilot wings in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan. Serving as a helicopter pilot within tactical aviation, he exercised the functions of Flight Commander, Operations officer and Chief Instructor Pilot and accumulated over 4000 flying hours.

His operational experience includes missions within the NATO Stabilization Force in Bosnia in 1999 and 2001 as well as missions within the International Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan in 2006 and 2009. He also participated in several domestic operations in Canada.

LCol Poulin now serves as the Director of Cadets of the Royal Military College of Saint-Jean. He holds an undergraduate degree in Mechanical engineering and a Master's degree in Defense Security with the Royal Military College of Canada and is currently completing a Master's degree in Education with the Université du Québec à Montréal.



Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

RAVEN Marc

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Major

GH: 08 November 2021

Revitalization of the Tactical Air Control Party capability of the Canadian Forces

DOI: 2016 to 2020

"Renowned as an air-land integration subject matter expert, Major Raven has been a key enabler to the revitalization of the Tactical Air Control Party capability within the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF). Between 2015 and 2020, his actions and initiative were instrumental in the development of training and the introduction of a command and control restructure. Major Raven's actions have strengthened the relationship between the Canadian Army and the Royal Canadian Air Force, while enhancing CAF credibility in joint and combined operations."

ROBICHAUD, Nicole Margaret

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Lieutenant-Commander - RCN

GH: 08 November 2021

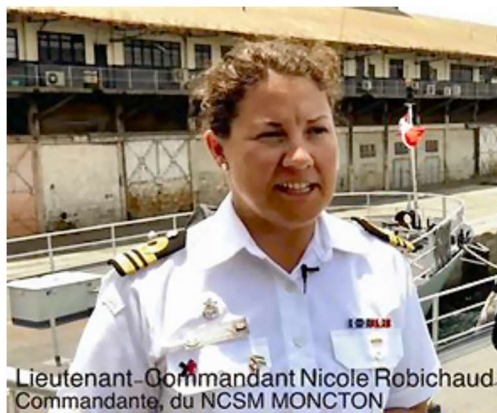
Executive Officer of *HMCS Fredericton* responsible for Repatriation of Helo Crash

DOI: January to July 2020

"From January to July 2020, Lieutenant-Commander Robichaud was deployed to the Mediterranean, Black and Baltic seas as executive officer of Her Majesty's Canadian Ship *Fredericton*. Following the crash of the ship's helicopter and the loss of its six crew members on April 29, she initiated preparations for the repatriation of the fallen, including a dignified onboard ceremony. Her remarkable and empathetic leadership contributed to the mental readiness of the crew members and their ability to return to the ship's important mission."

Medals: MSM – NATO - CD

Lieutenant-Commander Nicole Robichaud, MSM, CD



Lieutenant-Commander Robichaud is the Executive Officer of *HMCS Fredericton*. She joined the Regular Force in 2002 and completed her initial Naval Officer Training in 2004. She joined *HMCS Vancouver* and obtained her Bridge Watch Keeping certificate and completed the Fleet Navigating Officer's course in 2007, after which she joined *HMCS Winnipeg* and deployed to conduct counter-piracy operations in the Gulf of Aden. In 2009 she was posted to the Naval Officer Training Centre - VENTURE where she taught naval officers. In 2012 she was re-united with *Vancouver* as the Combat Officer. In 2013, LCdr Robichaud was sent to New Zealand for eight months where she sailed in HMNZS *Te Mana* and HMNZS *Canterbury*, earning a Chief of the New Zealand Navy Commendation. Upon returning to Canada, she was promoted to her current rank and posted to CANFLTPAC as a Fleet ORO. She left the West Coast in 2015 to work at Strategic Joint Staff (SJS) in Current Operations as the Rules of Engagement (ROE) Officer.

In 2016 she was posted to Halifax and assumed the role of Commanding Officer of *HMCS Moncton* which in one year sailed to the Canadian Arctic and across the Atlantic Ocean to West Africa, conducting community relations in Senegal, Sierra Leone, Liberia and Cote d'Ivoire. She attained her Masters in Defence Studies in 2018 and lives in Halifax, NS with her dog Zach.

Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

SCHNEIDER, Erik Joseph Wildes

MSM

CanForGen:

Master Corporal

GH: 08 November 2021

Regional Lead Analyst (Africa) with Canadian Joint Operations Command HQ

DOI: March 2017 to 2021

“Master Corporal Schneider has been employed as a regional lead analyst within Canadian Joint Operations Command headquarters since March 2017. With a primary focus on Africa, he has supported expeditionary operations reach-back, planning efforts and, most recently, full-spectrum targeting efforts pertaining to information operations. Master Corporal Schneider’s extraordinary professionalism has had a wide-ranging impact on how Canadian Armed Forces personnel contribute to international humanitarian efforts and to maintaining the reputation Canada has built within the international community.”

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SHEEHAN, Thomas David

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Commander – RCN and CFHS

GH: 08 November 2021

Development of an innovative Road to Mental Readiness program

DOI: 2018 to 2020

“As a strong advocate for mental health, Commander Sheehan applied his exceptional leadership, tenacity and vision in the development of an innovative Road to Mental Readiness program, an effective, customized training approach for the Defence team. His unwavering professionalism and dedication have made a profound and lasting impression, contributing greatly to Strong, Secure, and Engaged efforts, and have significantly improved the resiliency and capacity of personnel throughout the Canadian Armed Forces.”

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

TINSLEY, Brenda Jayne (B.J.)

MSM CD

CanForGen:

Major - RCAF

GH: 08 November 2021

Commanding Officer of 51 Aerospace Control and Warning Squadron

DOI: 2017 to 2019

"As commanding officer of 51 Aerospace Control and Warning Squadron from 2017 to 2019, Major Tinsley led the modernization of Canadian Air Defence Sector Tactical Command and Control training. She was instrumental in creating the Mission Training Centre, an innovative air battle management facility, which leveraged modern synthetic learning environments and platforms. Her commitment to strengthening operator training and advancing Royal Canadian Air Force initiatives brought great credit to the Canadian Armed Forces and enhanced North American Aerospace security."

Medals: MSM – General Service Medal ribbon Expedition – EIIR Diamond Jubilee - CD

Honorary Degree from Nipissing University – Doctor of Letters (DLitt.) – 07 June 2018

Citation



Major Brenda Tinsley joined the Canadian Armed Forces out of Hamilton, Ontario in 1996 as a member of a proud military family. She attended the Royal Military College of Canada in Kingston and graduated with an Honours Bachelor of Arts in Military and Strategic Studies in 2000.

After graduating from the Weapons Control Courses at the Canadian Forces School of Aerospace Control Operations (CFSACO) and 51 Aircraft Control and Warning (AC&W) Operational Training Unit she was posted to 21 AC&W Squadron North Bay in 2002. Between 2002 and 2004 Major Tinsley worked as a Weapons Controller; earning additional qualifications as both a Senior Director and a Tactical Fighter Controller. In 2004 she was posted to the Alaskan NORAD Sector where she worked as a WC and SD, and spent her final year as the Director of Current Operations for the 176 Air Control Squadron.

Major Tinsley began her long involvement in the training realm with a posting to CFSACO, first as an instructor and then the Standards Officer between 2004 and 2008. In 2012 she was posted to Winnipeg as the Executive Assistant to the Commander of 2 Canadian Air Division (2 CAD).

Promoted to her current rank in 2013, she remained at 2 CAD as the Qualification Manager for Aerospace Controllers. In 2014 Major Tinsley deployed as part of Roto 0 for OP IMPACT, working as both A5 Plans and A3 Operations.

Posted to the Canadian Air Defense Sector in 2016, she returned to North Bay where she qualified as a Mission Crew

Commander and was Alpha Flight Commander within 21 Aerospace Control and Warning Squadron before assuming command of 51 Aerospace Control and Warning (Operational Training) Squadron.



Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

TREMBLAY, Luc Joseph Pierre
 Captain(N) - RCN
 Defence Attaché to Baghdad, Iraq

MSM CD

CanForGen:
 GH: 08 November 2021
 DOI: July 2019 to July 2020

"Captain(N) Tremblay was assigned to Baghdad, Iraq, as defence attaché from July 2019 to July 2020. He initiated a cycle of engagement and assessment with Canadian task forces and coalition partners to enable the Canadian ambassador to keep abreast of the situation on the ground. In a chaotic environment involving ballistic missile, rocket and mortar strikes, as well as civil unrest, his professionalism earned him the trust of Iraqi officials and quickly removed obstacles to mission success. Captain(N) Tremblay's outstanding work brought great honour to Canada."

WHITE, Bradley James

MSM CD

CanForGen:
 GH: 08 November 2021
 DOI: 2018 to 2020

Commander - RCN
 Implementation of the Concept of Operations for the Future Naval Training System

"From 2018 to 2020, Commander White was the major architect, program lead and driving force behind the development and implementation of the Concept of Operations for the Future Naval Training System in Esquimalt, British Columbia. As delineated in Strong, Secure, Engaged, the modernized program will leverage cutting-edge technology, optimize Royal Canadian Navy world-class individual training, and ensure long-lasting and vital effects. Commander White's transformational leadership influenced and motivated team members to excel, and brought great credit to the Canadian Armed Forces."



Commander Bradley James WHITE, MSM, CD

May 2021 to present: Program Manager – Training for FLEETWAY Inc. Halifax

May 2021 Retires from the Royal Canadian Navy

August 2018 to May 2021 Program Manager, Naval Training System Transformation
 CFB Esquimalt

July 2016 to July 2018 NATO Training and Policy Lead, Norfolk, Virginia

July 2015 to July 2016 Commandant CF Forces Training Development Centre, CFB Borden

1996 to June 2015 Training Officer in the Canadian Armed Forces

1992 to 1996 Royal Military College – BA

FLEETWAY



Education

2009 to 2011 University of New Brunswick – Master of Education (Med) in Curriculum Design and Technology

2002 to 2004 Mount Saint Vincent University – Bachelor of Education (Bed)

1992 to 1996 Royal Military College (BA), Military and Strategic Studies

Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

CANN, John Derek

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Commander - RCN

GH:

Canadian Surface Combatant Detachment Commander

DOI: 2016 to 2019

"As the Canadian Surface Combatant Detachment Commander from 2016 to 2019, Commander Cann demonstrated professional competence and inspired leadership, which were instrumental in fostering trust among senior Canadian Armed Forces officers, public servants and industry executives. His capacity for finding innovative solutions was critical to the overall success of the design selection for the Royal Canadian Navy's (RCN) new ships, the corner-stone of the RCN's future capability, and key to meeting the Government of Canada's priorities as laid out in Strong, Secure, Engaged."

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DARGAVEL, Jeffrey William

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Commander - RCN

GH: 09 November 2023

Commanding Officer HMCS Toronto Operations in the Baltic, Norwegian & North Seas

DOI: July to December 2020

"From July to December 2020, Commander Dargavel displayed outstanding leadership, initiative and professionalism as the commanding officer of Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Toronto. During operations in the Baltic, Norwegian and North seas in support of NATO assurance measures, HMCS Toronto became the first Canadian frigate to successfully execute an expeditionary deployment during a global pandemic. Commander Dargavel's remarkable efforts and tactical acumen directly contributed to mission success and Canada's strong standing among its NATO allies."

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DEJONG, Darryl Edward

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Chief Petty Officer 1st Class - RCN

GH:

Coxswain of Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Fredericton in Mediterranean Black & Baltic Seas

DOI: January to July 2020

"From January to July 2020, Chief Petty Officer 1st Class Dejong was deployed to the Mediterranean, Black and Baltic seas as coxswain of Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Fredericton. While playing a key role during operations with Standing NATO Maritime Groups 1 and 2, he distinguished himself following the ship's helicopter crash on 29 April, and the tragic loss of its six crew members. His com-passion and leadership in the recovery efforts ensured the crew was able to effectively complete its assigned mission."

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

EMODE, Joan Ohiovbemi

MMM MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Petty Officer 2nd Class - RCN

GH: 09 November 2021

Coxswain of Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Fredericton in Mediterranean Black & Baltic Seas

DOI: 2019 and 2020

"Following two untimely deaths in 2019 and 2020 on Her Majesty's Canadian Ships Star and Unicorn, Petty Officer 2nd Class Emode demonstrated exceptional leadership and professionalism by volunteering for assignments to mitigate critical clerical shortages. Her impeccable expertise and organizational skills not only kept these units functional but surpassed previous administrative standards while she actively supported her shipmates' mental health in their time of need. Her selfless actions exemplified the Canadian Armed Forces military values: duty, loyalty, integrity and courage."

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

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GIROUX, Vincent Benoit Michel

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Colonel

GH: 09 November 2023

Deployed to Baghdad, Iraq, as Deputy Director of the Directorate of Inform and Influence

DOI: March 2019 to March 2020

"From March 2019 to March 2020, Colonel Giroux was deployed to Baghdad, Iraq, as deputy director of the Directorate of Inform and Influence. He brilliantly synchronized all of the unique functions of his position, including those related to strategic engagements, advice on gender equality, ministerial liaison in Baghdad and Erbil, and capacity building within Iraq's security forces. Thanks to Colonel Giroux's outstanding leadership and resilience, Canada's contribution to the Combined Joint Task Force Headquarters exceeded expectations, bringing honour to Canada."

From the 2021 Honours and Recognition for the Members of the Canadian Armed Forces book. Retired by 2023.

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GREEN, Jamie Donald David

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Major

GH: 09 November 2023

Leadership of a combined, joint and inter-agency intelligence architecture devoted to an operation DOI: 2020

"Major Green was the driving force behind the creation and leadership of a combined, joint and inter-agency intelligence architecture devoted to an operation. Despite initial resource and access limitations, he swiftly established inter-agency and allied networks, as well as developed innovative intelligence workflows and procedures, thus resulting in the creation of a sophisticated intelligence framework. Major Green's efforts delivered critical under-standing that will endure beyond the immediate need and will be of great benefit to the Canadian Armed Forces."

From the 2021 Honours and Recognition for the Members of the Canadian Armed Forces book. Promoted to LCol and retired by 2023.

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

IRWIN, Duncan James

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Major – Signals Officer

GH: 09 November 2023

Training of the Latvian National Armed Forces in Signals

DOI: September 2018 on

“Since September 2018, Major Irwin has demonstrated exceptional leadership and dedication as the Latvian Mechanized Infantry Brigade deputy signals officer. A champion for progress, he has vastly improved signals as well as command and control capabilities. He also facilitated the creation of structures and procedures that have made the Latvian National Armed Forces more capable, resilient and effective. Major Irwin’s remarkable professionalism and technical acumen have had a significant impact on mission success and have brought great credit to the Canadian Armed Forces.”

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LIAKAS, Raphael

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Lieutenant-Commander - RCN

GH:

Advancing the Canadian Surface Combatant project

DOI: May 2017 to November 2019

“Lieutenant-Commander Liakas demonstrated exceptional leadership and selfless devotion to duty in strengthening the National Shipbuilding Strategy and advancing the Canadian Surface Combatant project, while fostering relationships with other government departments and strategic industry partners from May 2017 to November 2019. His tireless leadership and actions directly advanced Canada’s interests, bringing great honour and respect to the Canadian Armed Forces in the achievement of Strong, Secure, Engaged objectives.”

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NG, Kevin Henry Ka-Leong

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Lieutenant-Colonel

GH:

Senior Cdn Liaison Officer US National Geospatial Intelligence Agency

DOI: 2016 to 2020

“As the senior Canadian liaison officer to the United States National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency from 2016 to 2020, Lieutenant-Colonel Ng led the development of a comprehensive five-year rolling capability plan, the first of its kind. The outcome of this initiative has been praised by the senior leaders of the Five Eyes geospatial intelligence community. It will showcase Canada’s space-based collection assets and strengthen Canadian Armed Forces capabilities as well as its relations with the United States and other Five Eyes partners.”

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

McKENZIE, Megan McLachlan

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Lieutenant-Commander – RCN

GH: 09 November 2023

Canadian Forces Intelligence Command's Medical Intelligence Team COVID-19 Response

DOI: January to June 2020

"From January to June 2020, Lieutenant-Commander McKenzie demonstrated exceptional leadership as team lead for the Canadian Forces Intelligence Command's Medical Intelligence Team, while supporting the National Defence, Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) and Government of Canada response to the COVID-19 pandemic. She directed the focus of the team towards ensuring CAF leaders had operationally relevant medical intelligence to support strategic decision making. Lieutenant-Commander McKenzie's steadfast commitment to operational effectiveness brought great honour to the Royal Canadian Medical Service Branch and to the CAF."

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McNEIL, Brian Leslie

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Captain - RCAF

GH:

Staff officer for Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) 1 Canadian Air Division

DOI: August 2015 to June 2019

"During his tenure as 1 Canadian Air Division staff officer for Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS), in Winnipeg, Manitoba, from August 2015 to June 2019, Captain McNeil was instrumental in overseeing the creation of all Records of Airworthiness Risk Management, flight permits and operational airworthiness clearances for all UAS flying in support of Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) operations and training. His tireless dedication to improving the airworthiness process for UAS greatly enhanced CAF intelligence, reconnaissance and surveillance capabilities."

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NG, Kevin Henry Ka-Leong

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Lieutenant-Colonel

GH: 09 November 2023

Senior Cdn Liaison Officer US National Geospatial Intelligence Agency

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

REICHERT, Keith Alan

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Lieutenant-Colonel

GH: 09 November 2023

Strategic Joint Staff Legal Advisor COVID-19 Response

DOI: January to July 2020

“From January to July 2020, Lieutenant-Colonel Reichert served brilliantly as the Strategic Joint Staff legal advisor during the Canadian government’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic. As the Canadian Armed Forces assisted with the repatriation of Canadians abroad and supported civil authorities helping the vulnerable at home, Lieutenant-Colonel Reichert worked tirelessly, anticipating and resolving myriad operational legal issues. His dedication, skill and outstanding collaboration with legal and operational colleagues in various departments contributed significantly to mission success.”

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STOCKER, Peter Rudolf

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Captain

GH: 09 November 2023

Deployed Iraq as future plans & operations officer at Combined Joint Operations Center–Erbil DOI: July 2016 to January 2017

“Captain Stocker was deployed to Iraq from July 2016 to January 2017 as future plans and operations officer at Combined Joint Operations Center–Erbil. He provided critical coordination functions within the headquarters and its subordinate units, preserving the integrity of the coalition. As a lead executor of the relief-in-place from 101st Airborne Division to 1st Infantry Division, he directly contributed to the success of four major security force operations that ultimately set the conditions for the liberation of Mosul.”

From the 2021 Honours and Recognition for the Members of the Canadian Armed Forces book

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STOCKER, James Jordan

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Lieutenant-Colonel

GH: 09 November 2023

Joint Task Force Commander Ontario’s Long Term Care Facilities COVID-19 Assistance

DOI: April to July 2020

“Between April and July 2020, as a Joint Task Force commander, Lieutenant-Colonel Stocker demonstrated outstanding leadership as part of the Canadian government’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic. When the Province of Ontario called upon the Canadian Armed Forces to assist with an ongoing long-term care facility crisis, Lieutenant-Colonel Stocker quickly organized diverse components into a cohesive team. In doing so, he integrated augmented civilian care teams from the Canadian Forces Health Services Group into seven different long-term care facilities. Lieutenant-Colonel Stocker’s leadership was instrumental in improving the Canadian government’s response to the emerging pandemic.”

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Citations to the MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL (Military) (MSM)

THOLBERG, Robert Douglas

MSM CD

Honours Book: 2021

Master Warrant Officer

GH:

Logistical and Administrative Requirements for Exercise PRECISE RESPONSE

DOI: 2016 to 2019

“From 2016 to 2019, Master Warrant Officer Tholberg showed exceptional leadership and demonstrated an inspirational work ethic, garnering praise from over a dozen NATO nations while ensuring that all logistical and administrative requirements for Exercise PRECISE RESPONSE were satisfied despite a very challenging environment. His tremendous leadership, hard work and professionalism guaranteed the repeated successes of this live-agent NATO Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear exercise, and brought credit to the Canadian Armed Forces and to Canada.”

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MSM

CanForGen: 21 February 2021

No Rank

GH:

Canadian Special Operations Force Command Member

DOI: Between 2018 and 2020

“Four Members of the Canadian Special Operations Forces Command has been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal. For security and operational reasons, the names and citations of the recipient are not released.”

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