

BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT JAMES W. HOTALING

Chief Master Sergeant James W. Hotaling is the eleventh Command Chief Master Sergeant, Air National Guard. He represents the highest level of enlisted leadership for the Air National Guard. Chief Hotaling is responsible for matters influencing the health, morale and welfare of assigned enlisted personnel and their families.

Chief Hotaling entered the Air Force in 1987 and served as a Special Tactics Combat Controller. His extensive background includes joint planning, application of air power in support of special operations and command and control of tactical operations. He has participated in Operations DESERT SHIELD, DESERT STORM, PROVIDE RELIEF, SUPPORT JUSTICE, UPHOLD DEMOCRACY, VIGILANT WARRIOR, SOUTHERN WATCH, ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM. During these operations, Chief Hotaling planned and executed combat and humanitarian operations in support of national interests in Iraq, Haiti, Somalia, and Afghanistan. Additionally, he has participated in various Foreign Internal Defense and Defense Support of Civilian Authorities humanitarian and rescue missions. He served 10 years on active duty performing various operational and staff duties. After a small break in service, he joined the US Coast Guard Reserve as a Port Security Specialist. In 2001, Chief Hotaling rejoined the Air Force as a reservist Combat Control IMA. In 2003, as project manager, Chief



Hotaling was instrumental in the establishment of the Oregon Air National Guard's 125th Special Tactics Squadron, and served as the Senior Enlisted Advisor to the Oregon Joint Force Headquarters-Combat Operations Group. Chief Hotaling was the Command Chief, 142d Fighter Wing, Oregon Air National Guard, Portland ANG Base, Oregon. In 2012, Chief Hotaling was selected to serve as Command Chief Master Sergeant at the Continental U.S North American Aerospace Defense Command Region and 1st Air Force, Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla. He assumed his present position in January 2013.

MILITARY EDUCATION

- 1988 Noncommissioned Officer Preparatory Military Course, Pope AFB, N.C. John Levitow Award recipient
- 1996 Middle East Orientation Course, USAFSOS, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
- 2003 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
- 2005 Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy (non-residence), Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2008 ANG Chief's Executive Course, Washington D.C.
- 2008 ANG Diversity Champions Course, Portland, Ore.
- 2008 Senior Leader AFSO21, Portland, Ore.
- 2009 Chief's Leadership Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2009 ANG Command Chief Orientation Course, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 2010 Associates Degree in Airway Science, Community College of the Air Force
- 2010 Senior Enlisted Joint PME, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.
- 2010 USAF Command Chief Candidate Orientation, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 2011 Reserve Component National Security Course, National Defense University, Ft. Myers, VA.
- 2011 Chief's Leadership Course (Mentor), Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2011 Defense Support of Civil Authorities (DSCA) Phase II Certification, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 2012 Joint Special Operations Forces Senior Enlisted Academy, USSOCOM, Tampa, Fla.

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2012 COMAFFOR Senior Staff Course, Ft. Dix, NJ.

2012 KEYSTONE, National Defense University, Ft. Myers, Va

ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. September 1987 September 1997, Combat Control Operator, 21st Special Tactics Squadron, Pope AFB, N.C.
- 2. April 1999 December 2000, Port Securityman, US Coast Guard Reserve 311th Port Security Unit, Tacoma Wash.
- 3. January 2001 December 2003, Combat Control Operator, 720th Special Tactics Group, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
- 4. December 2003 May 2004, Operations Superintendent, 270th Air Traffic Control Squadron, Kingsley Field, Ore.
- 5. May 2004 December 2008, Chief Enlisted Manager, 125th Special Tactics Squadron, Portland, Ore.
- 6. January 2009 April 2011, Senior Enlisted Advisor, JFHQ-AC-Combat Operations Group, Portland, Ore.
- 7. April 2011 December 2011, Command Chief, 142d Fighter Wing, PANGB, Portland, Ore.
- 8. January 2012 Present, Command Chief Master Sergeant, CONR-1 AF (AFNORTH), Tyndall AFB, Fla.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Bronze Star with Valor with two oak leaf clusters
Meritorious Service Medal with two devices
Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Achievement Medal with four oak leaf clusters
Army Achievement Medal
U.S. Navy Presidential Unit Citation
Joint Meritorious Unit Award
Meritorious Unit Award

STATE AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Oregon Meritorious Service Medal w/ Gold Star (Bravery)
Oregon Commendation Medal
Oregon Emergency Service Ribbon
Oregon Outstanding Unit
Oregon Faithfull Service Ribbon
Oregon Recruiting Ribbon
Louisiana Emergency Service Ribbon

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

ANG Enlisted Field Advisory Council (EFAC)
Enlisted Association of the National Guard, National Executive Council, Area Director-Air, 2009-2011
Enlisted Association National Guard of Oregon, State President, 2008-2010
Combat Control Association, Life Member
Enlisted Association of the National Guard, Life Member

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

1994 ACC Combat Controller of the Year 2002 USAF IMA of the Year 2002 USAF Museum Speaker Series 2002 USAA Veteran of the year 2002 AFA Gill Robb Wilson Award-nominee

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Chief Master Sergeant, 17 December 2007

(Current as of Feb 2013)