



## **U.S. ARMY SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND**

### ***BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH***

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# **COMMAND SGT. MAJ. ROBERT V. ABERNETHY**

## **USASOC Command Sergeant Major**

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Command Sgt. Maj. Robert V. Abernethy entered the U.S. Army, July 22, 1987, and graduated as an infantryman in November 1987.

During the course of his career, Abernethy held numerous duty positions, including: infantry rifleman, 3rd U.S. Infantry (The Old Guard); communication sergeant, signal detachment, 1st Battalion 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne); U.S. Army recruiter, Jackson Recruiting Battalion, Mississippi; communication sergeant and intelligence sergeant, 2nd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne).

Abernethy also served as team sergeant, 1st Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne), where he deployed on several rotations to the southern Philippines in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM (Philippines), and as team sergeant for, 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne), where he deployed supporting Operation ENDURING FREEDOM (Afghanistan).

His other positions include operations sergeant major and company sergeant major, 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne), and Army Special Operations Forces proponent sergeant major, U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School.

Abernethy also served as command sergeant major at 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Campbell, Kentucky, and 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Abernethy's military education and training includes: U.S. Army Pre-Command Course, the U.S. Army Sergeant's Major Academy, the Special Forces Qualification Course, Advanced Non-Commissioned Officer's Course, Basic Non-Commissioned Officer's Course, the Warrior Leader's Course, the Special Forces Advanced Reconnaissance Target Analysis and Exploitation Techniques Course, the Advanced Special Operations Techniques Course, the Combat Diving Supervisor Course, the Combat Diver Qualification Course, the Jumpmaster Course, the Survival-Evasion-Resistance and Escape Course, the Army Recruiter's Course, the Basic Airborne Course, the Air Assault Course and the Infantry Basic Course.

