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Major James E. Gerling is the commander of the Anchorage Military Entrance Processing Station.

Major Gerling earned his commission through the Reserve Officers' Training Corps Program at Florida Institute of Technology, Melbourne, Florida. He served as a tank platoon leader, tank company executive officer, and battalion personnel officer, all in 2nd Battalion, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas, and deployed to Iraq; company commander, C Company, and battalion operations officer, 30th Adjutant General Battalion (Reception), Fort Benning, Georgia; battalion personnel officer, 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Eglin Air Force Base, Florida; and personnel officer, Special Operations Task Forces – South, Kandahar, Afghanistan.

Major Gerling's professional military education includes the Armor Officer Basic Course, Airborne Course, Adjutant General Officer Advanced Course, Joint Planners Course, and Intermediate Level Education Resident Course. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Science, and a Master of Arts in Human Resources Management from Webster University, St. Louis, Missouri.



His military awards and decorations include two Bronze Star Medals, and the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Valorous Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Citation, and various unit and service medals and ribbons. He also earned the Combat Action Badge and Parachutist Badge.