



BIOGRAPHY

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Major Aaron M. Taylor is the commander of the Des Moines Military Entrance Processing Station.

He enlisted at the Cleveland MEPS in 2002 and earned his commission in the Marine Corps through the Marine Enlisted Commissioning Education Program in December 2009.

He served as legal chief, Marine Wing Support Squadron 171, Iwakuni, Japan, deployed supporting tsunami relief with the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit; administrative chief, Marine Air Group 39, Camp Pendleton, California; training chief, NATO Joint Training Unit, Camp Pendleton, California; communications officer, 3rd Low Altitude Air Defense Battalion, Camp Pendleton, California; officer in charge, Marine Command Detachment, Expeditionary Strike Group 7, Sasebo, Japan, deployed with the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit; communications officer, 1st Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company, Camp Pendleton, California; information and technology officer, 1st Marine Raider Battalion, Marine Forces Special Operations Command-West, Camp Pendleton, California; signals center director, Special Operations Task Force Syria, deployed to Iraq and Syria.

Major Taylor's military education includes Basic Training, Marine Combat Training, Administration School, Logistics Management Development Course, Officer Candidate School, The Basic School, Communications Officer School, Weapons and Tactics Instructor Course, Expeditionary Warfare School, Marine Advisor Course, and the Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape Course. He earned a Bachelor of Arts in East Asian Studies and Korean from Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.

His military awards and decorations include four Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals, two Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals, and various unit and service medals and ribbons.

