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Master Sergeant Smiling is the senior enlisted advisor of the Jackson Military Entrance Processing Station and supports the USMEPCOM mission of evaluating applicants by applying Department of Defense standards in processing and determining eligibility for military service.

She enlisted in the Marine Corps at the Fort Jackson MEPS in 2006.

Master Sergeant Smiling served as the manpower chief, U.S. Special Operations Command (SOCOM), MacDill AFB, Tampa FL; Marine recruiter, Recruiting Station Columbia, South Carolina; Officer recruiter, Officer Selection Team Columbia, SC; administrative chief, 2d Tank Battalion, Camp Lejeune, NC; administrative chief, 2d Marine Division G-1, Camp Lejeune, NC; noncommissioned officer-in-charge, Department of Aviation, Headquarters U.S. Marine Corps, Pentagon; administrative specialist, Marine Wing Headquarters Squadron 2, Cherry Point, NC and deployed to Iraq and Djibouti, Africa.

Master Sergeant Smiling's professional military education includes: Marine Combat Training, Sergeants Course, Career Course, Advanced Course, and Basic Recruiters Course. She earned a Bachelor of Science Degree from Morris College in Sumter, SC.

Master Sergeant Smiling's personal awards and decorations include one Defense Meritorious Service Medal, four Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals, the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, two Joint Service Achievement Medals, five Marine Corps Good Conduct Medals, one Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, and various service, unit and personal ribbons. She was the recipient of the Sergeant Major Bertha L. Peters Award, the American Hero Award, and the Molly Marine Award.