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1st Sgt. Derek Dean is the Senior Enlisted Advisor of the 8th Battalion, Knoxville Military Entrance Processing Station and supports the USMEPCOM mission of evaluating applicants by applying Department of War standards in processing and determining eligibility for military service.

He enlisted in the United States Army at the Lansing MEPS in 2007.

He attended Basic Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. His duty assignments include human resources specialist, 2nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia and two deployments to Iraq; executive administrative NCO, 18th Medical Command, Fort Shafter, Hawaii; executive administrative NCO, Office of the Secretary of the Army, Pentagon, Washington D.C.; battalion S-1 NCOIC, 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia; recruiter, Plymouth Recruiting Stations, New England Recruiting Battalion, 1st Recruiting Brigade; G-1 enlisted personnel services NCOIC, 94th Army Air and Missile Defense Command, Joint Base Pearl-Harbor Hickam; G-1 manpower NCOIC, United States Army Pacific Command.

His military education includes Basic and Advanced Individual Training, Basic Leader Course, Advanced Leader Course, Senior Leader Course, Master Leader Course, Army Recruiter Course, Basic Combatives Course and Tactical Combatives Course. He holds an associate's degree in business administration from Grantham University, Little Rock, Arkansas and a bachelor's degree in human resources management from the University of Maryland Global Campus, Adelphi, Maryland.

His military awards and decorations include four Meritorious Service Medals, ten Army Commendation Medals, six Army Achievement Medal, two Meritorious Unit Commendations. He has also been awarded the Army Staff Badge, the Army Recruiter Badge, the Colonel Robert L. Manning Achievement Medal (Adjutant General), the Honorable Order of Saint Barbara (Field Artillery) and various service, unit and personal medals and ribbons.