



BIOGRAPHY

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Lieutenant Colonel Michael S. Hester is the commander of the 8th Battalion and the Montgomery Military Entrance Processing Station.

He earned his commission through the Marine Corps Officer Candidate School, Quantico, Virginia, in 2001.

Lieutenant Colonel Hester served as battalion adjutant, 1st Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina; deployed as battalion adjutant and commander, Reconnaissance Platoon, 2nd Reconnaissance Battalion, Iraq; adjutant and company commander, Marine Corps Logistics Base, Albany, Georgia; group adjutant, Marine Aircraft Group 29, 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing, New River, North Carolina; deputy human resources officer, 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing, Cherry Point, North Carolina; staff secretary and adjutant, Marine Corps Combat Development Command, Quantico; deputy human resources officer, Marine Corps Forces Cyberspace Command, Fort Meade, Maryland; and assistant chief of staff human resources officer, 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing, Cherry Point.



His professional military education includes Basic Officer Course, Administrative Officer Course, Basic Airborne Course, Amphibious Reconnaissance School, and Marine Corps Command. He earned an Associate of Science in Criminal Justice from Shelton State Community College, Tuscaloosa, Alabama; a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from the University of West Alabama, and a Master of Business Administration in Human Resources Management, Webster University, St. Louis, Missouri.

His military awards and decorations include four Meritorious Service Medals, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, two Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals, two Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals with "V" Device, the Combat Action Ribbon, and various unit and service medals and ribbons.