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Lt. Col. Jason Goodson is the commander of the Portland, Maine, 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.

He enlisted in the United States Army at the Oklahoma City MEPS in 2004 and received his commission in 2009 through Army ROTC at Cameron University in Lawton, Oklahoma.

Lt. Col. Goodson served as a Joint Network Node Platoon Leader (A Co, 101st STB), Battalion S6 (129th CSSB), 101st Sustainment Brigade, Fort Campbell, Kentucky; Signal Detachment Commander, 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Campbell, Kentucky; Battalion S1 (1st AD STB), Brigade S1, 1st Armored Division Sustainment Brigade; Company Commander, 178th Human Resources Company, Fort Bliss, Texas; Operations Officer, Sacramento California Military Entrance Processing Station; and Brigade S1 for the 11th Corps Signal Brigade, Fort Cavazos, Texas. He deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Iraq (2005-2006); Operation Enduring Freedom, Afghanistan (2010-2011); Operation Freedom's Sentinel, Afghanistan (2015-2016); and Operation Spartan Shield, Kuwait / Operation Inherent Resolve, Iraq (2016-2017).

His professional military education includes the Basic Officer Leader Course, Signal Basic Officer Leader Course, Adjutant General Captains Career Course, Command and General Staff College, Combatives Level 1, Airborne, Air Assault, Pathfinder, and the Army Operational Electronic Warfare Course. He earned a Bachelor of Science in criminal justice from Cameron University, Lawton, Oklahoma, a Master of Arts degree in human resources from the University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma and a Master of Arts in military operational studies from the Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Lt. Col. Goodson's military awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, four Meritorious Service Medals, Joint Service Commendation Medal, three Army Commendation Medals, two Army Achievement Medals, the parachutist Badge, Netherlands Jump Wings, Air Assault Badge, Pathfinder Badge, German Armed Forces Badge for Military Proficiency (Gold), the Combat Action Badge and various service, unit and personal medals and ribbons.