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Major William J. Hernandez is the commander of the Salt Lake City 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 Army at the Miami MEPS and attended Basic Training at Fort Benning, Georgia, in February 2011. He received his commission through the Officer Candidate School in the Adjutant General Corps at Fort Benning in July 2011.

Major Hernandez served as protocol officer and assistant brigade adjutant, Joint Readiness Training Center, Fort Polk, Louisiana; battalion human resources officer, 2nd Battalion, 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and deployed to Afghanistan; battalion human resources officer, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, and deployed to Afghanistan; company commander, Aguadilla Recruiting Company, Puerto Rico, part of Miami Recruiting Battalion; and senior human resources officer, 316th Cavalry Brigade, Fort Benning.

His military education includes the Adjutant General Officer Basic Course, Airborne School, Adjutant General Captains Career Course, Commander and First Sergeant Course for the U.S. Army Recruiting Command, Human Resources Plans and Operations Course, and the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Organizational Management from Palm Beach Atlantic University, and a Masters of Operational Studies from the Command and General Staff College.

Major Hernandez's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, three Meritorious Service Medals, three Army Commendation Medals, two Army Achievement Medals, the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, the U.S. Army Basic Parachutist Badge, the Army Recruiter Badge, and various service, unit and personal medals and ribbons.