



NEW JERSEY ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

State Command Sergeant Major Earnest Williams

Command Sergeant Major Earnest Williams is a native of Paterson, New Jersey. He entered military service with The United States Army on September 30, 1985 and attended Basic Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where he obtained the Military Occupational Skill 13B (Artillery). CSM Williams, upon his discharge from active duty, enlisted directly into the New Jersey Army National Guard where he has held several positions.



CSM Williams served as a Ammunition Team Chief, Gunner, Section Chief, Gunnery Sergeant, Platoon Sergeant, Operation Sergeant, First Sergeant and Operations Sergeant Major. While serving as a Platoon Sergeant he led his platoon into several combat operations. His most recent assignments were the 50th IBCT Operations Sergeant Major, 3-112th Command Sergeant Major, NJNG G-3 Sergeant Major and the 57th Troop Command Sergeant Major; he currently holds the position of New Jersey's State Command Sergeant Major.

Military Assignments:

Overseas assignments for CSM Williams consists of two combat tours of duty in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, a tour in Korea and a tour in Germany. His stateside assignments include: 18th Airborne Core Fort Bragg NC; 1/7 FA BN Fort Drum NY; A-Battery 3-112th Field Artillery, Morristown NJ; Service Battery 3-112th Field Artillery, Morristown NJ; Golf Company 250th Brigade Support Battalion, Morristown NJ; Bravo Battery 3-112th Field Artillery, Toms River NJ; 50th IBCT HQ, Lawrenceville NJ and 57th Troop Command, Atlantic City, NJ.

Education:

CSM Williams' military and civilian education includes Primary Leadership Development Course; Basic Noncommissioned Officer's Course; Advanced Noncommissioned Officer's Course; First Sergeants Course; Graduate of the Sergeants Major Academy and Keystone Leadership Course. CSM Williams holds a Bachelor's Degree in Leadership and a Master's Degree in Organizational Leadership Management from Wilmington University.

Decorations and Badges:

He has been awarded the Bronze Star w/1 Oak Leaf Cluster, Meritorious Service Medal w/2 Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal with w/2 Silver Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign

Medal w/3 Campaign Stars, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Ribbon, Armed Forces Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal w/M Device (3) and Silver Hourglass, NCO Professional Development Ribbon (3rd Award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (4th Award) and Meritorious Unit Commendation.