



## **COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR JACOBY J. GADSON**

2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade, U.S. Army Cadet Command, Joint Base McGuire, New Jersey

Command Sergeant Major Jacoby J. Gadson was born in Charleston, South Carolina in March 1977, where he graduated from Walterboro High School in June 1996.

He entered the Army in February 1997, completing One Station Unit Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, graduating as a Cannon Fire Direction Specialist. During his 23 years of service, Command Sergeant Major Gadson has held leadership positions as a Chief Computer Operator, Infantry Squad Leader, Section Chief, HQ Platoon Sergeant, Drill Sergeant, Senior Drill Sergeant, Brigade Fire Direction NCO, Division Fire Support NCOIC, First Sergeant, Senior Military Science Instructor for Santa Clara University and Command Sergeant Major.

His assignments include: 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery Battalion, Fort Benning Georgia, serving as a Cannon Fire Direction Specialist to Chief Computer Operator, Alpha Battery 3rd Battalion, 321st Field Artillery Regiment, Fort Bragg North Carolina, 1st of 46th Infantry Battalion, 8th Training Brigade, Armor Training Center, Fort Knox, Kentucky, serving as a Senior Drill Sergeant; Fort Bragg, North Carolina, serving as a Platoon Sergeant, Division Fires Effects and Coordination Cell Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge and First Sergeant, Forward Iraq; 3rd Battalion, 27th Field Artillery, serving as the First Sergeant, and as a First Sergeant 3rd Battalion, 321st Field Artillery Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Senior Military Science Instructor for Santa Clara University, California, and Command Sergeant Major of 1-37 Field Artillery, Joint Base Lewis-McChord. And 2-307th FA Camp Atterbury.



Command Sergeant Major Gadson's education includes Primary Leadership Development Course, Basic Noncommissioned Officers Course, Advanced Noncommissioned Officers Course, Drill Sergeant School, Air Assault School, Army Combatives Level 1 & 2, Army Rules of Engagement course, Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training, Basic Instructor Training, Manager Development Course, Army Field Artillery Tactical Data System, Supervisor Development Program, Combat Life Savers, Battle Staff, First Sergeant Course, Master Resilience Trainer Course, The United States Army Sergeant Major Course and Senior Joint Enlisted Professional Development Course II. , Social Work Leadership in Healthcare Development Course ,Defense Support of Civil Authorities, Professional Psychotherapy Diploma Course ,Counselling Children & Adolescents ,Lean Six Sigma Green and Black Belt , Professional PTSD Counselling Diploma, and a Bachelor's Degree

in Sociology and is currently pursuing his Master of Social Work - MSW at the University of Louisville.

His awards and decorations include Bronze Star Service Medal (2 OLC), Meritorious Service Medal (3 OLC), Army Commendation Medal (5th Award), Army Achievement Medal (4th Award), Army Good Conduct Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal (3 Combat Stars), Afghanistan Campaign Medal (4 Combat Stars), National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Kosovo Campaign Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Nato Medal (2), Overseas Service Ribbon, Valorous Unit Award; Drill Sergeant Badge, Air Assault Badge, Driver's Badge (Track), and Army Certificate of Achievement (5th).

CSM Gadson is married to Mrs. Dominique Gadson, with three children.