

## **COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR KYLE E. KEENAN**

3<sup>rd</sup> Brigade, U.S. Army Cadet Command, Great Lakes, Illinois

Command Sgt. Maj. Kyle E. Keenan is a native of Newark, Ohio. He entered the United States Army on August 21st, 2001, as 19D Cavalry Scout, and attended One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Keenan has served as a in every leadership position from Team Leader to Squadron Command Sergeant Major within his Military Occupation Specialty (MOS). CSM Keenan has also held special duty positions as a Drill & Senior Drill Sergeant, United States Military Academy (USMA) Company TAC NCO, USMA Brigade TAC NCO & Senior Enlisted Leader, Security Forces Assistance and Advisory Team (SFAAT) NCOIC, and Security Forces Assistance Brigade (SFAB) Assistant Team Leader & Operations Sergeant Major.



Keenan's assignments and positions include: Scout through
Team Leader, Headquarters and Headquarters Company (HHC), 1-18 IN 2nd BDE 1st ID,
Schweinfurt, Germany; Reconnaissance Section Sergeant, Charlie Troop, 1-89 CAV 2nd
BDE 10 th MTN DIV (LI), Fort Drum, New York; Drill Sergeant and Senior Drill Sergeant,
Charlie Company, 2-54 IN, Fort Moore, Georgia; Platoon Sergeant, Bravo Troop, 3-71 CAV
3 rd BDE 10 th MTN DIV (LI), Fort Drum, New York; S-3 Operations NCO and SFAAT
NCOIC, Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 3-71 CAV 3rd BDE 10 th MTN DIV (LI),
Fort Drum, New York; TAC NCO and Brigade Senior Enlisted Leader, Brigade Tactical
Department, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York; Troop First Sergeant,
Apache Troop, 3-61 CAV 2nd BDE 4th ID, Fort Carson, Colorado; Brigade First Sergeant,
as Troop First Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd BDE 4th ID, Fort
Carson, Colorado; Assistant Team Leader / Squadron Operations Sergeant Major, 3rd
SQDN 2nd SFAB, Fort Liberty, North Carolina; Squadron Command Sergeant Major, 1-89
CAV 2nd BDE 10th MTN DIV, Fort Drum, NY: and Brigade Command Sergeant Major, 3rd
BDE United States Army Cadet Command, Great Lakes, IL.

Keenan 8 deployments which include both peacekeeping and combat operations. Keenan's six combat operations deployments include: Twice to Iraq both in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM (OIF) ((2004-2005), and V-VII (2006-2007)); Three times to Afghanistan: Twice in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM (OEF) (XI-XII (2011-2012), XIII-XIV (2013-2014)) and Once in support of Operation RESOLUTE SUPPORT (ORS) / FREEDOM'S SENTINEL (OFS) (XVIII (2018); and Syria in support of Operation INHERENT RESOLVE (OIR) (2023). His peacekeeping deployments include: Kosovo in support of

Operation JOINT GUARDIAN (KFOR4A (2002-2003)); and Bosnia in support of Operation DYNAMIC RESPONSE 03 (2003).

Keenan has completed all required levels of Noncommissioned Officer (NCO) Professional Military Education (PME) for his current rank. He is also a graduate of Drill Sergeant School, Basic Instructor Course, Small Arms Maintenance and Repair Course, Combatives Level I & II, Airborne School, Close Quarters Battle Course, Pathfinder, Air Assault, Equal Opportunity Leaders Course, Master Resiliency Training Course, Military Advisor Training Academy (MATA), US Army Strategic Studies Program at UC Berkley, and the Sergeants Major Academy (Class 70).

Keenan holds two undergraduates' degrees and is currently working on a master's degree in Defense and Strategic Studies with the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP). His completed degrees include: an Associate's of Science degree in Criminal Justice from Lincoln University, a Bachelor of Arts in Leadership and Workforce Development from the Command and General Staff College.

Keenan's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal with V-Device, Bronze Star Medal (3rd OLC), Meritorious Service Medal (4th OLC), Army Commendation Medal (4th OLC & "C" device), Army Achievement Medal (4th OLC), Navy Achievement Medal, Valorous Unit Award (2nd OLC), Meritorious Unit Award (2nd OLC), Army Superior Unit Award, Army Good Conduct Medal (7th Award), National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal (3 Campaign Star), Iraq Campaign Medal (2 Campaign Stars), Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal (IRCM),Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Non-Commissioned Officer Profession Development Ribbon (With Number 5), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (With Number 5), NATO Medal (2 Bronze Stars), Kosovo Campaign Medal (1 Campaign Star), Combat Action Badge, Drill Sergeant Identification Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Parachute Badge, and Air Assault Badge. He is also a recipient of the Order of Saint George (Bronze Medallion).