



**COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR
DERRICK L. TAYLOR**

**Command Sergeant Major
106th Signal Brigade**



Command Sergeant Major Derrick L. Taylor was assigned to the 106th Signal Brigade on June 14, 2010. As Command Sergeant Major of the 106th Signal Brigade, he serves as the commander's expert adviser on all enlisted-related matters, particularly in areas affecting Soldier training and quality of life. He is responsible for the welfare and professional development of the 106th Signal Brigade's combat ready Soldiers and Civilian employees.

Command Sergeant Major Taylor enlisted in the Army on January 2, 1986. He attended Basic Training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina and graduated as the Outstanding Soldier of The Cycle. He completed Advanced Individual Training at Fort Gordon, Georgia where he was awarded the Military Occupational Specialty of Multichannel Communications Equipment Operator (31M).

Throughout his 24-year career, Command Sergeant Major Taylor has held a variety of leadership positions ranging from Team Chief to Command Sergeant Major. His previous assignments include Team Chief, Alpha Company, 50th Signal Battalion, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Section Sergeant, Alpha Company, 50th Signal Battalion, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Single Channel Tactical Satellite Operator/Maintainer, Honduras; Communications Watch Noncommissioned Officer, Joint Task Force-4, Key West, Florida; Single Channel Tactical Satellite Operator/Maintainer, Panama (Operation Just Cause); Drill Sergeant, Bravo Battery, 1/19th Field Artillery, Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Master Fitness Trainer, 95th Adjutant General Reception Battalion, Fitness Training Battery, Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Recruiter, Atlanta Recruiting Battalion with duty at Macon, Georgia; Platoon Sergeant, Charlie Company, 307th Signal Battalion, Camp Carroll, Korea; Installation Equal Opportunity Advisor, Bravo Company, 551st Signal Battalion, Fort Gordon, Georgia; First Sergeant, Charlie Company, 44th Signal Battalion and Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 44th Signal Battalion, Mannheim, Germany, S3 Sergeant Major, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 72nd Signal Battalion, Mannheim, Germany; United States Army Sergeants Major Academy, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Fort Bliss, Texas, Signal Regimental Symposium Noncommissioned Officer in Charge, Bravo Company, 551st Signal Battalion, Fort Gordon, Georgia, Command Sergeant Major, 30th Signal Battalion/Directorate of Information Management, Wheeler Army Airfield, Hawaii, and Command Sergeant Major, 3rd Brigade Special Troop Battalion, 3rd Heavy Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas.

His military education includes Single Channel Communications Operator Course (31C) (Honor Graduate), Drill Sergeant School (Honor Graduate), Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute Course, United States Army Recruiter School, Airborne School, Air Assault School, Instructor Trainer Course, Warrior Leaders Course, Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course (Honor Graduate); Advanced Noncommissioned Officer Course (Honor Graduate, Profession of Arms Award Recipient, and the Iron Sergeant Award for scoring 357 points on the APFT), First Sergeants Course (Top 10%), Sergeants Major Academy, Class # 54; and the Command Sergeants Major Course. Command Sergeant Major Taylor holds an Associates of Applied Science Degree from Georgia Military College, Milledgeville, Georgia.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Commendation Medal with 7 Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Achievement Medal with 7 Oak Leaf Clusters, Good Conduct Medal (8th award), National Defense Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon with Numeral 4, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Drill Sergeant Identification Badge, Gold Recruiter Badge with three sapphires, Coveted Recruiter Ring, Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Sergeant Audie Murphy Medallion, Honorable Order of Saint Barbara Award and Medallion, Drill Sergeant Of The Cycle Award, Top New Recruiter Award, Top Senior Producer Award, Battalion Commanders Special Recognition Award, Excellence in Recruiting Award, Honduras Parachutist Badge, and the Drivers Badge.