



Command Sergeant Major Matthew Marks

Senior Enlisted Advisor, Georgia National Guard

CSM Marks was born and raised in Miami, Florida and entered the Army in July of 1987. He attended One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, Georgia and graduated as an 11B Infantryman.

He served on active duty with the 1st Ranger Battalion, participated in the airborne assault during Operation Just Cause, and deployed in support of Operation Desert Storm. CSM Marks joined the 53rd IBCT where he served as a Recon Platoon Sergeant, and later a Rifle Company First Sergeant. In 2002, CSM Marks joined Co H 121st IN (ABN) (LRS) where he served as the Operations Sergeant, and later the First Sergeant.



In 2007, CSM Marks assumed responsibilities as the Command Sergeant Major for the newly formed 3-108th R&S Squadron, and deployed in support of KFOR 15. In 2013, CSM Marks assumed responsibilities as the Command Sergeant Major for the 221st MI Battalion.

In 2015, CSM Marks assumed responsibilities as the Brigade Command Sergeant Major for the 48th IBCT, and deployed in support of ongoing combat operations in Afghanistan. In January 2021, CSM Marks assumed responsibilities as the Georgia National Guard's Senior Enlisted Leader.

CSM Marks is a graduate of the Florida International University (BA Criminal Justice), Infantry School, US Army Airborne School, Ranger Indoctrination Program, Pre-Ranger Program, US Army Ranger School, US Army Jumpmaster Course, Jungle Warfare School, the US Army Pathfinder Course, as well as numerous other schools. CSM Marks has attended all levels of the Noncommissioned Officers PME culminating with the US Army Sergeant's Major Academy, NR Class 36 and NLC. He is a veteran of Operation Just Cause, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Joint Guardian (Kosovo), and Operation Resolute Support (Afghanistan).

CSM Marks' awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal (1 OLC), Meritorious Service Medal (3rd OLC), Army Commendation Medal (1st OLC), Army Achievement Medal, Georgia Commendation Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal (2nd Award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Medal (1 OLC), Noncommissioned Officer Professional Service Ribbon (Numeral 5), Expeditionary Medal with Arrowhead Device, Iraq Campaign Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal (with two Bronze Service Stars), NATO Kosovo Medal, NATO Afghanistan Medal, Saudi Arabia Liberation of Kuwait Medal, Kosovo Campaign Medal, Reserve Component Achievement Medal (6th Award), Armed Forces Reserve Medal with 20 Year Silver Hourglass Device, the Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Humanitarian Service Medal, Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon, Ranger Tab, Pathfinder Badge, Master Parachutist Badge (with Combat Bronze Service Star), the Expert Infantry Badge, the Combat Infantry Badge (2nd Award),

the Jordanian Parachutist Badge, Canadian Parachutist Badge, the Royal Australian Army Parachutist Badge, the French National Defense Medal (Silver), Polish Army Medal (Bronze), German Sports Badge (Gold), and the German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge (Gold), and the Order of Saint Maurice (Primicerius).

CSM Marks currently resides in West Palm Beach, Florida with his wife Amy, and his two daughters Mae and Emma. CSM Marks is a Sergeant with the Broward County Sheriff's Office where he served as a Robbery Detective, a Violent Crimes Detective, VIPER Team Sergeant, a member of the SWAT Team and the Burglary Apprehension Team Sergeant.