



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT RALPH E. OLIVER

Chief Master Sergeant Ralph Oliver is the Senior Paralegal Manager to The Judge Advocate General. In this position, he serves as the senior advisor to The Judge Advocate General and to senior staff on enlisted matters for paralegals within The Judge Advocate Corps worldwide. He exercises management responsibility over and serves more than 1300 Air Force active duty and Air Reserve Component paralegals. He advises The Judge Advocate General on all issues regarding quality of life, morale, health and welfare as a member of the Corp's Strategic Planning Committee and the Judge Advocate General's School Advisory Board. He was selected to be the eighteenth Senior Paralegal Manager to TJAG in 2020.



Chief Oliver enlisted in the Air Force in September 1996. His background includes various duties in the paralegal career field. He served as a First Sergeant and has held senior enlisted positions at the squadron, wing and MAJCOM levels. He has deployed in support of Operations JOINT GUARD, ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM and completed overseas tours in the United Kingdom, Guam and Germany. Before assuming his current position he served as the Air Force Paralegal (5J) Career Field Manager, Headquarters United States Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, DC. He assumed his current position March 17, 2020.

EDUCATION

- 2001 Airman Leadership School, RAF Lakenheath, UK
- 2010 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Kadena AB, Japan
- 2011 CCAF, Associate of Applied Science - Construction Technology
- 2012 CCAF, Associate of Applied Science - Paralegal Studies
- 2012 Senior Enlisted Joint PME Course (correspondence)
- 2012 First Sergeant Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, AL
- 2013 Professional Manager Certification
- 2014 CCAF, Associate of Applied Science - Human Resource Management
- 2014 Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer Academy, Petaluma, CA
- 2015 Naval War College, Primary Enlisted PME Course
- 2016 Bachelor of Arts Degree in Organizational Management, with Honors, Ashford University, San Diego, CA
- 2018 Chief Leadership Course, Maxwell AFB, AL

ASSIGNMENTS

1. April 1997 - April 1999, Heavy Equipment Operator, 48th CES, RAF Lakenheath, UK
2. October 1997 - January 1998 (Deployed to Tuzla, Bosnia)
3. April 1999 - July 2000, Heavy Equipment Operator, 36th CES, Andersen AFB, Guam
4. July 2000 - August 2006, Heavy Equipment Operator, 48th CES, RAF Lakenheath, UK
5. January 2005 – May 2005, (Deployed to Al Udeid, Qatar)
6. September 2006 - June 2007, NCOIC, Tort and Operational Law, 97th Air Mobility Wing, Altus AFB, OK
7. July 2007 - September 2008, Assistant NCOIC, Military Justice, 97th Air Mobility Wing, Altus AFB, OK
8. October 2008 - September 2009, NCOIC, Military Justice, 97th Air Mobility Wing, Altus AFB, OK
9. February 2009 - August 2009, (Deployed NCOIC of Logistics, United States Central Command, Joint Task Force FOIA, Camp Victory, Iraq and Camp Arifjan, Kuwait)
10. October 2009 - December 2009, NCOIC, Law Office, 97th Air Mobility Wing, Altus AFB, OK
11. December 2009 - December 2010, NCOIC, Military Justice, 36th Wing, Andersen AFB, Guam

12. December 2010 - October 2011, NCOIC, Law Office, 36th Wing, Andersen AFB, Guam
13. October 2011 - May 2012, Superintendent 36th Wing Protocol, Andersen AFB, Guam
14. May 2012 - December 2012, Law Office Superintendent 36th Wing, Andersen AFB, Guam
15. January 2013 - April 2014, First Sergeant 45th Intelligence Squadron Joint Base Langley Eustis, Virginia
16. April 2014 - July 2014, First Sergeant 10th Intelligence Squadron, Joint Base Langley Eustis, Virginia
17. July 2014 - August 2015, First Sergeant 633d Civil Engineer Squadron, Joint Base Langley Eustis, Virginia
18. August 2015 - July 2016, Law Office Superintendent, 633 Air Base Wing, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Virginia
19. July 2016 - June 2017, Law Office Superintendent, United States Air Force Warfare Center, Nellis AFB, Nevada
20. June 2017 - February 2019, Command Paralegal Manager, HQ USAFE, Ramstein AB, Germany
21. February 2019 - March 2020, Paralegal Career Field Manager, Pentagon, Washington DC
22. March 2020 - Present, Senior Paralegal Manager to The Judge Advocate General, Pentagon, Washington, DC

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal with a silver oak leaf cluster
Joint Commendation Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Achievement Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Joint Meritorious Unit Award
Meritorious Unit Award
Air Force Recognition Ribbon
Air Force Special Duty Ribbon

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2004 NCO of the Year, 48th Civil Engineering Squadron
2004 Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award, 48th Civil Engineering Squadron
2005 Commander and Chief Excellence Award
2008 Paralegal Craftsman Course, Distinguished Graduate
2010 Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Distinguished Graduate
2010 Outstanding SNCO Paralegal of the Year, Karen Yates-Popwell Award, 13th Air Force
2011 Outstanding SNCO Paralegal of the Year, Karen Yates-Popwell Award, 13th Air Force
2012 Commandant Award, First Sergeant Academy
2014 CMSgt Fred Archer Military Award (Tuskegee) SNCO of the Year, 480th ISR Wing
2014 First Sergeant of the Year, 633d Air Base Wing
2016 CMSgt Fred Archer Military Award (Tuskegee) SNCO of the Year, 633d Wing Staff Agencies
2016 Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award, 633d Wing Staff Agencies

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROMOTION

Chief Master Sergeant November 2017

(Current as of March 2020)