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Sgt. Joseph D. Hardin, a native of San Diego, Calif., attended Huntsville High School in Huntsville, Texas, graduating in June 2010. He later joined the Army in July 2010 and attended Basic Combat Training and Advanced Individual Training (AIT) at Fort Jackson, S.C. as a Human Resources Specialist.

After successfully completing AIT, Hardin was assigned to Headquarters and Support Company, 5th Military Information Support Battalion (Airborne), at Fort Bragg, N.C.

Hardin deployed to Afghanistan with the Military Information Support Task Force (MISTF-A) from February to November 2012 in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. During this deployment, Hardin served as the senior human resources sergeant for the MISTF-A. During this time, he completed his bachelor's degree in business administration from American Military University, Charles Town, WV. Hardin has also earned his Master's of Business Administration from American Military University, Charles Town, W. Va.

Hardin's military education includes Basic Airborne Course, Warrior Leaders Course, Managers Development Course, Action Officers Development Course, Combat Lifesavers Course, Combatives Level One, Info Assurance Certification Program and the Unit Postal Clerk Course.

He has earned two Army Commendation Medals, two Army Achievement Medals, one Army Good Conduct Medal, the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal with one Campaign Star, seven Certificate of Achievements, the National Defense Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Non Commissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, the NATO Medal, the Combat Action Badge, the Parachutist Badge and the Drivers Badge.

