

DISTINGUISHED MEMBER OF THE CIVIL AFFAIRS REGIMENT



**COMMAND SGT. MAJ.
TIMOTHY J. STRONG**

Inducted October 2011



Command Sergeant Major (Ret) Timothy J. Strong enlisted as a Special Forces Communications Sergeant in the United States Army in 1981 at Concord, NH. He completed basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, MO followed by the Communications School Advance Individual Training, Airborne School and then the graduated the "Q" course 03 Feb 83.

In the spring of 1983, CSM Strong was assigned as a special Forces Communications Sergeant to 5th Special Forces Group (A) located at Fort Bragg North Carolina. After 19 months, CSM Strong re-enlisted for 1/10 SFG (A) in Bad Toelz W. Germany. From 1984 thru 1987 he served with C/1/10 SFG (A) on Operational Detachment Alpha (ODA) 036. CSM Strong returned to A/2/10 SFG (A), located at Fort Devens, MA, where he was assigned to ODA 044, from Aug 1987 thru Dec 1990. In October 1990, CSM Strong attended and was selected for assignment with a Special Mission Unit, in which he remained through April 2000. Duties there included SF Team Sergeant, BN S-3 SGM and Troop SGM.

In May 2000, CSM Strong volunteered for ROTC duty at Norwich University. While assigned to Norwich University CSM Strong was instrumental in pioneer BN meeting mission for the first time in its 87-year history where 68 Cadets were contracted and commissioned as Class 2004.

CSM Strong was selected and attended USASMA where upon graduation from USASMA, CSM Strong was assigned as the Company Sergeant Major of A/2/10 SFG (A) at Fort Carson, CO deploying the company for two tours in Kosovo and then ISO OIF I.

In July 2004, CSM Strong was assigned as the 96th Civil Affairs Battalion (Airborne) Command Sergeant Major, and was instrumental in the establishment of CMF 38 within the Active Component. In December 2005, CSM Strong assumed responsibility as the Joint Special Operations Task Philippines (JSOTF-P) Command Sergeant Major. Upon completion of this tour CSM Strong was selected and nominated as the CSM of the Army's Active Component newly established 95th Civil Affairs BDE (A) where he served from 15 June 2007 through 24 October 2008. CSM Strong retired on 01 September 2008. He is currently a Special Forces Doctrine Writer at the JFKSWCS, Fort Bragg, NC.

CSM Strong has deployed in support of the following operations: Operation RESTORE HOPE, Operation PROVIDE PROMISE, Operation UPHOLD DEMOCRACY, Operation JOINT ENDEAVOR, DENIED FLIGHT/ DELIBERATE FORCE, Operation JOINT GUARDIAN IV/VI, Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, Operation EDURING FREEDOM and Operation ENDURING FREEDOM- Philippines.

His medals and awards include the Legion of Merit with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster, Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with 6 Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Commendation Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters, Joint Achievement Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Achievement Medal with 9 Oak Leaf Clusters, Joint Meritorious Unit Award (7th Award), Meritorious Unit Award, Army Superior Unit Award, Army Good Conduct Medal (8th Award), National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal w/ arrowhead, Kosovo Campaign Medal with Bronze Service Star, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal w/arrowhead, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, Non Commissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (4th Award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Ribbon, NATO Medal (3rd Award) Combat Infantryman's Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, and HALO Jump Master Parachutist Badge.

CSM Strong is married to the former Ms. Susan Hoskins from Orono, Maine. They have one son Jonathan who is a senior at Appalachian State University. CSM Strong and his wife currently reside in Fayetteville North Carolina.