



## **CSM Michael R. Lawrence**

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Command Sergeant Major Lawrence is the Senior Enlisted Leader to The Adjutant General of Colorado. As the principal advisor to The Adjutant General, he is responsible for enlisted leader development and the well-being, mentoring and monitoring of the more than 5,500 Soldiers and Airmen and their families. He supports and advises The Adjutant General on issues impacting the Colorado National Guard's primary missions of national defense and state emergency response.

CSM Lawrence began his military career in September 1982, enlisting into the U.S. Army to serve as an Infantryman. CSM Lawrence's initial assignment was with A Company, 1/15th INF, 3rd ID, Kitzingen Germany where he served as Infantryman, RTO, Bradley Fighting Vehicle Driver and Gunner, and Infantry Fire Team Leader. Upon completion of his initial active duty tour, CSM Lawrence joined the Colorado Army National Guard where he gained additional training and qualification as a Military Policeman. CSM Lawrence has served in numerous positions including Military Policeman, Squad Leader, Physical Security NCO, Platoon Sergeant, First Sergeant, BN OPNS Sergeant, G3 SGM, CFLCC-C3 SGM, BN CSM, NCOA Commandant and Regimental (RTI) CSM, NCOIC-CERFP, Faculty Advisor-USASMA and Senior Enlisted Advisor and was selected as the State's Senior Enlisted Leader in October 2008. Some of CSM Lawrence's OCONUS deployments include Panama, 1989 and 1993; Japan 1992 and 1995; Slovenia, 1999 and 2003; Saudi Arabia and Kuwait – Operation's Desert Shield / Desert Storm; Kuwait and Iraq, OIF-II; and Baghdad Iraq, 2008.

CSM Lawrence is a graduate of the U.S. Army Infantry School, Primary Leadership Development Course, Bradley Fighting Vehicle Transition Course, Basic Noncommissioned Officer's Course, Advanced Noncommissioned Officer's Course, U.S. Army Military Police Schools' Conventional Physical Security and Crime Prevention Course, First Sergeants Course, Battalion Intelligence / Operations Course, Small Group Instructor Trainers Course, Basic Army Instructor Trainers Course, U.S. Army Command Sergeants Major Designee Course, U.S. Army Sergeants Major Course – NRC 28, DEOMI'S Leadership Team Awareness Course and the National Defense University's KEYSTONE course.

CSM Lawrence holds a Master of Business Administration degree with a major in Military Operations and a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management.

CSM Lawrence's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, The Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Army Meritorious Service Medal (2nd Award), Army Commendation Medal (6th Award), Army Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal (4th Award), Air Force Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (5th Award), National Defense Service Medal (2<sup>nd</sup> Award), Southwest Asia Service Medal with two Service Stars, Armed Forces Reserve Medal (2nd Award), Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon w/numeral 4, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon w/numeral 2, Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia), Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kuwait), the Expert Infantryman Badge and numerous State awards.

CSM Lawrence and his wife Claudia have three children, Carissa, Cort and Dalton and live in Littleton Colorado.