

# BRIGADIER GENERAL DONALD L. MCCORMACK



### Assistant Adjutant General - Air, Maine National Guard

Brigadier General Donald L. McCormack is Assistant Adjutant General - Air, Maine National Guard, Maine Joint Force Headquarters. General McCormack serves as a principal advisor to the Governor and The Adjutant General on a broad range of matters concerning the United States Air Force and the Air National Guard. He is responsible for the operations of plans and programs affecting more than 1,100 Maine Air National Guard personnel located in Augusta, Bangor and South Portland, Maine. His broad range of responsibilities includes ensuring combat readiness and mission capability of a tanker wing and two geographically separated mission support units. He also coordinates with the Army National Guard senior leadership on joint programs and activities within the state. He assumed this position April 25, 2011.

General McCormack graduated and was commissioned from the United States Air Force Academy in 1980. He flew search and rescue helicopters credited with saving 18 lives before being assigned to fly presidential support helicopters from Andrews Air Force Base. He served as the Manufacturing Manager responsible for production decisions on the AC-130U gunship and the CV-22A Osprey before joining the Maine Air National Guard. General McCormack served as a Combat Communications Squadron Commander, Director of Staff and Chief of Staff for the Maine National Guard Joint Staff prior to his current position.

#### **EDUCATION:**

1980 United States Air Force Academy, Bachelor of Science, Engineering Mechanics, Colorado Springs, Colorado 1983 Gonzaga University, Master of Business Administration, Spokane, Washington 1998 Air War College, by correspondence

# **ASSIGNMENTS:**

- 1. July 1980 July 1981, Student, Undergraduate Helicopter Pilot Training, Fort Rucker, Alabama
- 2. August 1981 March 1984, Aircraft Commander, UH-1N, Detachment 24, 40th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron, Fairchild Air Force Base, Washington
- 3. March 1984 August 1984, Instructor Pilot, UH-1N, Detachment 24, 40th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron, Fairchild Air Force Base. Washington
- 4. September 1984 October 1984, Student, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama
- 5. October 1984 October 1985, Pilot, UH-1N, 1st Helicopter Squadron, Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland
- 6. October 1985 December 1985, Aircraft Commander, UH-1N, 1st Helicopter Squadron, Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland
- 7. December 1985 July 1986, Instructor Pilot, UH-1N, 1st Helicopter Squadron, Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland
- 8. July 1986 June 1987, Flight Examiner, UH-1N, 1st Helicopter Squadron, Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland
- 9. June 1987 August 1987, Flight Examiner Aircraft Commander, UH-1N, 1st Helicopter Squadron, Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland 10. September 1987 July 1988, Student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Education with Industry Program, Manufacturing Management at IBM Corporation, Owego, New York
- 11. July 1988 September 1990, Manufacturing Manager, Aeronautical Systems Division, Special Operations Program Office, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio
- 12. September 1990 October 1991, Inactive Ready Reserves, Headquarters Air Reserve Personnel Center, Denver, Colorado
- 13. October 1991 November 1994, Chief of Operations, 265th Combat Communications Squadron, South Portland, Maine
- 14. November 1994 November 1998, Commander, 265th Combat Communications Squadron, South Portland, Maine
- 15. November 1998 June 2002, Chief of Staff, Headquarters Maine Air National Guard, Augusta, Maine
- 16. June 2002 April 2005, Chief of Staff, Joint Force Headquarters, Maine Air National Guard, Augusta, Maine
- 17. April 2005 April 2011, Director of Support, Joint Force Headquarters, Maine Air National Guard, Augusta, Maine
- 18. April 2011 Present, Assistant Adjutant General Air, Maine National Guard, Maine Joint Force Headquarters, Augusta, Maine

## **FLIGHT INFORMATION:**

Rating: Senior Pilot

Flight Hours: More than 2,500

Aircraft flown: CH-3E, T-41, UH-1H, UH-1N Pilot wings from: Fort Rucker, Alabama

### **AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:**

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Army Commendation medal

Air Force Achievement Medal (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (with 4 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Air Force Organizational Excellence Award

Combat Readiness Medal

National Defense Service Medal (with 1 Bronze Service Star)

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Humanitarian Service Medal

Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal

Air Force Longevity Service (with 1 Silver and 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)

Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon

Air Force Training Ribbon

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS:**

Air Force Association
National Guard Association of the United States
National Guard Association of Maine, Past President
Air Force Academy Association of Graduates
Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States
American Legion Post 148, Past Commander
Windham, Maine Veterans Association, Past President
Military Order of the World Wars

Maine Military Historical Society

### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:**

Second Lieutenant 28 May 1980 First Lieutenant 28 May 1982 Captain 28 May 1984 Major 19 November 1992 Lieutenant Colonel 3 April 1997 Colonel 30 March 2001 Brigadier General 29 April 2011

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