



## Biography

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## **BRIGADIER GENERAL DONALD H. MARDEN** Deputy Adjutant General, Army

Brigadier General Donald H. Marden is assigned as Commander of the Maine Army National Guard.

General Marden was born November 19, 1936 in Waterville, Maine. He received a Bachelor of Science Degree from Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, in 1958, and earned his Judge Doctorate from Boston University of Law, Boston, Massachusetts in 1964. His military education includes Quartermaster Basic Officer Course, 1959, Armor Advanced Officer Course 1965, Nuclear Weapons Employment Course, 1965, Defense Strategy Seminar, 1974, Procurement Attorney Course, 1975, Federal Labor Relations Course, 1977, Judge Advocate Officer Advanced Course, 1978, Judge Advocate Reserve Component General Staff Course, 1979, GO/SES Force Integration Training Course, 1991, and Senior Reserve Component Officer Course, 1991.

General Marden was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant, Quartermaster, USAR on 1 August 1958, upon completion of ROTC at Cornell University. He entered active duty in 1959 as a Platoon Leader for the 526th QM Company, USAREUR. He served that unit as Operations Officer and Executive Officer. Temporary duties included serving as Escort Officer for the 7th Army USAREUR and Class III Officer for the 4th Armor Group. He was promoted to First Lieutenant 16 November 1960. Upon release from active duty in August 1961, he returned to Boston, Massachusetts where he served in the USAR as Adjutant, 5425th QMUTC; Platoon Leader, 678th QM Company; and Company Commander, 751st QM Company. He transferred to the USAR Control Group (Standby) in October 1963 where he remained until joining the Maine Army National Guard in August 1964 as Armor Officer. He was assigned as Platoon Leader, Company A 3d Battalion 20th Armor. He transferred to Headquarters and Headquarters Company 3d Battalion 20th Armor in April 1965 with assignment as Executive Officer. He was reassigned in June 1966 as Communications Officer and promoted to Captain on 7 July 1966. On 14 April 1967, he became the Company Commander. He was transferred to Headquarters and Headquarters 240th Engineer Group 31 December 1967 where again he served as the Company Commander until transferred to Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Maine Army National Guard, 17 April 1969. He served as Informations Officer until his branch transfer to Judge Advocate General Corps, 19 June 1969 at which time he became Staff Judge Advocate. He was reassigned to Selective Service Officer on 1 September 1971. He was promoted to Major on 7 April 1972 and then reassigned back to the Staff Judge Advocate position on 10 April 1972. In June

1972, he returned to the Selective Service Officer slot and remained assigned to that position until April 1979. He reassumed the duties of Staff Judge Advocate for Headquarters Maine Army National Guard. He was promoted to the grade of Lieutenant Colonel on 18 January 1980 and promoted to Colonel on 26 January 1983. On 20 May 1986, he was assigned to the Deputy Adjutant General position. On 11 March 1987 he was federally recognized as Brigadier General.

Brigadier General Marden's civic affiliations include the following: Waterville, Kennebec and Maine Bar Associations; Commercial Law League of America; Maine Trial Lawyers Association; American Trial Lawyers Association; Maine-Quebec Advisory Committee; National Guard Association of Maine; National Guard Association of the United States; President, Maine Military Historical Society, Inc.; Waterville Historical Society; Bourque Lanigan Post 5, American Legion; AUSA; Chairman, Board of Directors, Good Will-Hinckley; National Rifle Association; Capitol City Rifle & Pistol Club; and Fleet Bank Central Regional Advisory Board.

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