



US SOUTHERN COMMAND BIOGRAPHY

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Major McFerron serves as U.S. Southern Command's Officer in Charge (OIC), Joint Cyber Center (JCC). As the OIC JCC, Maj McFerron supervises and implements cyberspace operations in support of USSOUTHCOM's mission. His immediate previous assignment was Operations Officer, G-6, 1st Marine Division (FWD), Afghanistan.

Maj McFerron is a 1998 graduate of Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice with a Certificate in Business Law. He also earned a Master of Science in Information Technology Management from the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California. Maj McFerron also earned his certification as a Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) through the International Information Systems Security Certification Consortium (ISC)2.

Maj McFerron's Fleet Marine Force assignments include service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom with 1st Marine Division (FWD) as well as assignments with 11th Marine Artillery Regiment, Camp Pendleton, CA, and 7th Communication Battalion, Okinawa, Japan.

Billet assignments have included Platoon Commander, Data Communications Platoon; Operations Officer, Support Company; Headquarters Company Commander, 7th Communication Battalion; Assistant Operations Officer, 7th Communication Battalion; Information Systems Officer, MAGTF Staff Training Program; Communication Officer, 11th Marine Regiment; Operations Officer, G-6, 1st Marine Division (FWD); Branch Chief, Cyber Security Division, J-6, USSOUTHCOM.

Maj McFerron's military decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (two awards), Joint Service Achievement Medal (two awards), and various service and unit awards.