

BRIGADIER GENERAL ALLEN E. BREWER

Director, Joint Staff, Joint Force Headquarters, Mississippi

Brigadier General Allen E. Brewer is currently assigned as the Director, Joint Staff, Joint Force Headquarters, Mississippi National Guard. As the Director, Joint Staff, he provides oversight to the Adjutant General for the overall readiness of the Mississippi National Guard with a focus on personnel readiness and functions of the fulltime workforce. He coordinates with the Adjutant General, Major Subordinate Command Commanders, National Guard Staff, United States Property and Fiscal Officer, and overhead commanders in establishing and implementing long range plans to assure personnel, facilities, equipment, supplies, funds, and supporting services are available to ensure the highest readiness levels possible.

General Brewer was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, on July 16, 1979, through the Officer Candidate School, Mississippi Military Academy. He has served in command and staff positions at every level, including: Company A, 2d Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group; Battalion Commander, 2d Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group; Commander, 154th Regional Training Institute; Deputy Commander, 155th Armored Brigade Combat Team in Kalsu, Iraq from April 2005 – March 2006; and Commander, Special Operations Detachment – South, in Afghanistan from November 2011 – March 2012.

EDUCATION:

1986 University of Southern Mississippi, Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, Hattiesburg, Mississippi

1993 Jackson State University, Master of Business Administration, Jackson, Mississippi

2000 United States Army War, Master of Strategic Studies, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. July 1979 – February 1980, Aerial Observer, Headquarters Battery, 631st Field Artillery Brigade, Grenada, Mississippi
2. February 1980 – August 1980, Forward Observer, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 144th Field Artillery Regiment, Drew, Mississippi
3. August 1980 – September 1982, Fire Direction Officer, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 144th Field Artillery Regiment, Drew, Mississippi
4. September 1982 – August 1983, Executive Officer, Battery A, 1st Battalion, 144th Field Artillery Regiment, Drew, Mississippi
5. August 1983 – April 1984, Executive Officer, Special Forces Operational Detachment – A, Headquarters Detachment, 2d Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Jackson, Mississippi
6. April 1984 – October 1988, Commander, Special Forces Operational Detachment – A, Company A, 2d Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Camp Shelby, Mississippi
7. October 1988 – February 1991, Area Support Officer/Assistant Operations Officer, Headquarters, 2d Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Jackson, Mississippi

8. February 1991 – May 1991, Executive Officer, 2d Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, North Carolina
9. May 1991 – September 1993, Commander, Company A, 2d Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Camp Shelby, Mississippi
10. September 1993 – August 1994, Operation Officer, 2d Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Jackson, Mississippi
11. August 1994 – September 1995, Executive Officer, 2d Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Jackson, Mississippi
12. September 1995 – October 1996, State Training Administrator, Headquarters, State Area Command, Mississippi Army National Guard, Jackson, Mississippi
13. October 1996 – November 1998, Commander, 2d Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group, Jackson, Mississippi
14. November 1998 – April 1999, State Training Administrator, Headquarters, State Area Command, Mississippi Army National Guard, Jackson, Mississippi
15. April 1999 – February 2001, Plans, Operations, and Military Support Officer, Headquarters, State Area Command, Mississippi Army National Guard, Jackson, Mississippi
16. February 2001– May 2004, Commander, 154th Regiment (RTI), Camp Shelby, Mississippi
17. May 2004 – April 2005 , Director of Military Support/J5, Joint Force Headquarters, Mississippi National Guard, Jackson, Mississippi
18. April 2005 – March 2006, Deputy Commander, 155th Brigade Combat Team, Kalsu, Iraq
19. March 2006 – March 2007, Operations Officer/Deputy J5/7, Joint Force Headquarters, Mississippi National Guard, Jackson, Mississippi
20. March 2007 – March 2008, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations, Joint Force Headquarters, Mississippi National Guard, Jackson, Mississippi
21. March 2008 – December 2008, Human Resources Officer, Joint Force Headquarters, Mississippi National Guard, Jackson, Mississippi
22. January 2009 – March 2012, Commander, Special Operations Detachment - South, Jackson, Mississippi
23. March 2012 – Present, Director, Joint Staff, Joint Force Headquarters, Mississippi National Guard, Jackson, Mississippi

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Bronze Star Medal

Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Army Commendation Medal

Army Achievement Medal (with Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)

Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (with 1 Silver and 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

National Defense Service Medal (with Bronze Service Star)

Afghanistan Campaign Medal (with Campaign Star)

Iraq Campaign Medal (with 2 Campaign Stars)

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Silver Hourglass, "M" Device, and Numeral 2)

Army Service Ribbon
Overseas Service Ribbon (with Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)
Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon (with Numeral 3)
NATO Medal
Mississippi Magnolia Cross (with Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)
Mississippi Magnolia Medal
Mississippi War Medal (with Bronze Service Star)
Mississippi Emergency Service Medal
Mississippi Service School Medal (with 2 Silver Oak Leaf Clusters)
Mississippi Longevity Medal (with 1 Silver and 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)
Master Parachutist Badge
Master Freefall Parachutist Badge
Aircraft Crewmember Badge
Special Forces Tab
Bolivian Parachutist Badge

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS:

The American Legion
Veterans of Foreign Wars
National Guard Association of Mississippi
University of Southern Mississippi Alumni Association
National Guard Association of the United States, Life Member
Non-Commissioned Officers Association of the United States of America, Life Member

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant 16 July 1979
First Lieutenant 15 July 1982
Captain 9 August 1984
Major 10 October 1991
Lieutenant Colonel 9 August 1995
Colonel 24 April 2001
Brigadier General (Line) 20 November 2012

(Current as of August 2013)