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| |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | National Guard | | Major General KENNETH S. HARA | | |  | | | **The Adjutant General, Hawaii Honolulu, HI Since: December 2019** | | |  |

SOURCE OF COMMISSIONED SERVICE  OCS  
  
EDUCATIONAL DEGREES  
Hawaii Pacific University - BA - Human Services  
United States Army War College - MSS - Strategic Studies  
  
MILITARY SCHOOLS ATTENDED  
Infantry Officer Basic Course  
Initial Entry Rotary Wing Aviator  
Combined Arms and Services Staff School  
Combined Logistics Officer Advanced Course  
United States Army Command and General Staff College  
United States Army War College  
Dual Status Commanders Course (NORTHCOM)  
Joint Task Force Commanders Course (NORTHCOM)  
Army Strategic Education Program - Basic (ASEP-B)  
General and Flag Officer Homeland Security Executive Seminar (GFOS)  
Army Strategic Education Program - Advanced (ASEP-A)  
  
FOREIGN LANGUAGE(S)  None Recorded

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| PROMOTIONS | DATE OF APPOINTMENT |
| 2LT | 26 Jul 87 |
| 1LT | 25 Jul 90 |
| CPT | 8 Mar 93 |
| MAJ | 20 Apr 00 |
| LTC | 3 Jun 04 |
| COL | 8 Dec 08 |
| BG | 15 Oct 15 |
| MG | 6 Dec 19 |

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| FROM | TO | ASSIGNMENT |
| Dec 19 | Present | The Adjutant General, Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii |
| Oct 15 | Dec 19 | Assistant Adjutant General, Honolulu, HawaiiI; dual-hatted, February 2018 - December 2019, Deputy Chief of Staff, Army National Guard, Operations/G3, Wartime, Eighth United States Army, AP |
| Jan 14 | Oct 15 | Chief of the Joint Staff, Joint Force Headquarters - Hawaii, Hawaii National Guard, Honolulu, Hawaii |
| Jan 12 | Jan 14 | Commander, 29th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Kapolei, Hawaii and Kandahar, Afghanistan |
| Jun 08 | Jan 12 | Deputy Commander, 29th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Kapolei, Hawaii and Kuwait |
| Jul 07 | Jun 08 | Student, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania |
| Dec 06 | Jul 07 | Branch Chief, Joint Force Headquarters-Hawaii, Kapolei, Hawaii |
| Sep 06 | Dec 06 | Commander, 1st Squadron, 299th Cavalry, Hilo, Hawaii |
| Oct 04 | Aug 06 | Commander, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, Hilo, Hawaii and Baghdad, Iraq |
| Aug 03 | Oct 04 | Executive Officer, 103rd Troop Command, Pearl City, Hawaii |
| Jan 02 | Aug 03 | Commander, Regional Training Site Maintenance, Ordnance Training Company, Pearl City, Hawaii |
| Dec 99 | Jan 02 | Assistant S3, 29th Separate Infantry Brigade, Kapolei, Hawaii |
| May 99 | Dec 99 | Detachment Commander, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 103rd Troop Command, Pearl City, Hawaii |
| Jul 97 | May 99 | Training Security Officer, 103rd Troop Command, Pearl City, Hawaii |
| Jan 95 | Jul 97 | Base Defense Liaison Officer, 25th Infantry Division (Light) Detachment, Pearl City, Hawaii |
| Oct 91 | Jan 95 | S3 Air, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, Hilo, Hawaii |
| Sep 91 | Oct 91 | Aviation Section Leader, 452nd Aviation Detachment, Hilo, Hawaii |
| Jul 91 | Sep 91 | Aviation Section Leader, 451st Aviation Detachment, Hilo, Hawaii |
| Jan 91 | Jul 91 | Chemical Officer, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, Hilo, Hawaii |
| Jul 90 | Jan 91 | Executive Officer, Company A, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, Keaau, Hawaii |
| Sep 88 | Jul 90 | Platoon Leader, Detachment 1, Company A, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, Pahala, Hawaii |
| Jul 87 | Sep 88 | Platoon Leader, Company A, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, Keaau, Hawaii |
| Jun 86 | Jul 87 | Officer Candidate School, Hawaii Military Academy, Waimanalo, Hawaii |

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| SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS |  | DATE | GRADE |
| Assistant Adjutant General, Honolulu, Hawaii  Chief of the Joint Staff, Joint Force Headquarters - Hawaii, Hawaii National Guard, Honolulu, Hawaii  Commander, 29th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Kapolei, Hawaii and Kandahar, Afghanistan |  | Oct 15 – Dec 19  Jan 14 - Oct 15  Jan 15 – Dec 19 | Brigadier General  Colonel  Colonel |

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| SUMMARY OF OPERATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS |  | DATE | GRADE |
| Commander, 29th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Kandahar, Afghanistan |  | Nov 12 - Jul 13 | Colonel |
| Deputy Commander, 29th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Kuwait |  | Oct 08 - Jul 09 | Colonel |
| Commander, 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, Baghdad, Iraq |  | Jan 05 - Jan 06 | Lieutenant Colonel |

US DECORATIONS AND BADGES  
Distinguished Service Medal

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit  
Bronze Star (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)  
Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
Army Commendation Medal (with 1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster)  
Army Achievement Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
Meritorious Unit Commendation (with Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)  
Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (with 1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster)  
National Defense Service Medal (with Bronze Service Star)  
Afghanistan Campaign Medal (with Campaign Star)  
Iraqi Campaign Medal (with 2 Campaign Stars)  
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal  
Humanitarian Service Medal  
Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Silver Hourglass Device and "M" Device)  
Army Service Ribbon  
Overseas Service Ribbon (with Numeral 3)  
Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon (with Numeral 5)  
North Atlantic Treaty Organization Medal  
Combat Infantryman Badge  
Army Aviator Badge

FLIGHT INFORMATION  
Rating: Army Aviator  
Flight hours: 196.6  
Aircraft flown: UH-1H  
Pilot wings: 04 Jun 1991  
  
CIVILIAN OCCUPATION  
The Adjutant General for the State of Hawaii, Department of Defense located in Honolulu, Hawaii. As a cabinet member, serves as executive head of the state Department of Defense, commanding general of the militia of the state. The department includes the Hawaii Army National Guard, Hawaii Air National Guard, Hawaii Emergency Management Agency, Office of Homeland Security, Office of Veterans Services, and the Youth Challenge Academy. Appointed as the state’s overall COVID-19 incident commander from March 2020 to March 2022. Appointed as the state’s overall incident commander for the Maui Wildfire Response from August 2023 to present.  
  
PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ACHIEVEMENTS  
National Guard Association of the United States

Adjutants General Association of the United States  
Hawaii National Guard Association  
Hawaii Pacific University Alumni Association  
Association of the United States Army  
National Infantry Association  
United States Army and Cavalry Association  
  
OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS  
2017, Joint Qualified Level III  
2011, Hawaii National Guard Field Grade Commander of the Year - Hawaii National Guard Association  
2001, Hawaii Army National Guard Outstanding Officer of the Year - Hawaii National Guard Association

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