



SGM DANA W. WINGAD
Joint Staff Sergeant Major
Hawaii National Guard

Sergeant Major Dana W. Wingad was born in Arcadia, California on May 10, 1972. He enlisted in the United States Army on October 16, 1992 as an Airborne Anti-Armor Infantryman. He completed Basic Training and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning, Georgia and was awarded the MOS 11 Hotel (Heavy Anti-Armor Weapons Infantryman). On December 21, 1995, he joined the Hawaii Army National Guard (HIARNG) and was working as a civilian for the Maui Police Department. In 2003, he began working full time as an Active Guard Reserve Soldier for the HIARNG.

During his career, he has held many leadership and responsibility positions to include: Airborne Anti-Armor Infantryman, Infantry Team Leader, Infantry Squad Leader, Infantry Weapons Squad Leader, Combat Arms Instructor, Instructor/Writer Warrior Leader Course (WLC), Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course (BNCOC), Advanced Noncommissioned Officer Course (ANCOC), Senior Instructor/Writer BNCOC, ANCOC, Branch Chief WLC, BNCOC, Infantry Platoon Sergeant, Brigade Operations Sergeant, HHC Brigade First Sergeant, Brigade Operations Sergeant Major, Battalion Command Sergeant Major and NCOA Commandant, State Command Sergeant Major for the Hawaii Army National Guard. Currently, he holds the position of Joint Staff Sergeant Major for the Hawaii National Guard.

His military education consists of: Heavy Anti-Armor Weapon Crewmen, Airborne School, Jungle Warfare Course, Primary Leadership Development Course, Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course, Advance Noncommissioned Officer Course, Pathfinder School, United States Army First Sergeant Course, United States Army Sergeants Major Academy (Class-61). He is also a graduate of the National Defense University Keystone Command Senior Enlisted Leader Course, Army Force Management Course, Command Sergeant Major Legal Course and the Joint Task Force Commander Training Course. He possesses a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Criminal Justice and a Masters Degree in Education.

His military awards decorations include Legion of Merit (2nd Award), Meritorious Service Medal (4th Award), Army Commendation Medal (3rd Award), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal (3rd Award), Army Good Conduct Medal (5th Award), Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (2nd Award), National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal (2nd Award) with M device and Bronze Hourglass, NCO Professional Development Ribbon (6th Award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (2nd Award), Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon (10th Award), Hawaii Army National Guard Service Medal (3rd Award), Hawaii National Guard State Active Duty Ribbon (2nd Award), Global War on Terror Federal Service Ribbon, Humanitarian Service Medal, Hawaii National Guard Excellence-in-Training Recognition Ribbon, State Partnership Service Ribbon, Expert Infantryman Badge, Parachutist Badge and Pathfinder Badge. He is also the recipient of The Order of Saint Maurice (Primicerius) and The Order of Saint Barbara.

Sergeant Major Wingad is a life member of several professional organizations including Infantry Association, AUSA and EANGUS. He has deployed twice in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He resides in Hawaii with his wife Erica and his four children: Noah, Emmalee, Evan and Brody.