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Major General Terry M. “Max” Haston



The Adjutant General Tennessee National Guard

Major General Terry M. “Max” Haston was appointed Tennessee’s 75th Adjutant General on 1 January 2010, and reappointed by Governor Bill Haslam on 15 January 2011. He is responsible for the supervision of the Military Department of Tennessee that includes the Army National Guard, the Air National Guard, the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, and the Tennessee State Guard.

Before his appointment, Maj. Gen. Haston served as the Assistant Adjutant General, Army and the Deputy Chief of Staff for Training and Operations /J-3 for the Joint Forces Headquarters, Tennessee.

Maj. Gen. Haston is a native of McMinnville, Tennessee and currently resides in Knoxville, Tennessee. He was commissioned as an Armor Officer in the U.S. Army in 1979 from Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Upon completion from the Armor Officer Basic Course at Fort Knox, Kentucky he was assigned to the XM-1 project and subsequently to 2/5 Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, Texas as a Tank Platoon Leader.

Maj. Gen. Haston was then assigned to 3-67 Armor, 2nd Armored Division where he served as a Tank Platoon Leader, Company Executive Officer, Support Platoon Leader and Battalion S-4.

Upon leaving active duty in 1983, Maj. Gen. Haston joined the Tennessee Army National Guard where he commanded Company M, 3/278th Armored Cavalry Regiment in Rockwood, Tennessee. In 1987, Maj. Gen. Haston joined the Active Guard/Reserve (AGR) program and served as the 3/278th ACR Training Officer and S-3 until joining the 278th Regimental staff in 1989. In 1992, he assumed the duties as the Regimental S-3 until 1997 when he became the Commander of Third Squadron, 278th ACR (Phantom Raider Squadron). Simultaneously, Maj. Gen. Haston served as the Training Officer for the Tennessee Army National Guard.

Following the completion of the resident course, U.S. Army War College in Carlisle Barracks, PA, Maj. Gen. Haston became the 7th Commander of Tennessee’s largest unit, the 278th Armored Cavalry Regiment, headquartered in Knoxville, TN.

After leaving command, Maj. Gen. Haston was assigned as the Deputy Chief of Staff, for Operations and J-3, Joint Forces Headquarters, Tennessee. In May 2005, Maj. Gen. Haston mobilized and deployed

as the Chief of Reserve Components, Multi-National Corps Iraq (XVIII Airborne Corps). Upon completion of his tour in the Middle East, he returned as the J-3, JFHQ TN.

EDUCATION:

Maj. Gen. Haston is a graduate of the Armor Officer Basic and Advance Courses at Fort Knox, Kentucky, Tactical Commander's Development Course and Command and General Staff Course at FT Leavenworth, KS. He is also a resident graduate of the United States War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania where he received his Masters Degree in Strategic Studies.

AWARDS:

Legion of Merit
Bronze Star Medal
Meritorious Service Medal (3 OLC)
Army Commendation Medal (3 OLC)
Army Achievement Medal (1 OLC)
National Defense Service Medal
Overseas Service Ribbon
Iraq Campaign Ribbon
Global War on Terrorism Medal
Army Service Ribbon
Armed Forces Reserve Medal
Tennessee National Guard Distinguished Service Medal
Tennessee National Guard Commendation Ribbon
Tennessee Army National Guard Service Ribbon (2 OLC)
Tennessee Army National Guard Volunteer Ribbon
Combat Action Badge
Army Parachute Badge
Indonesian Parachute Badge (Honorary)
Order of Saint George, Bronze.

(Current as of 1 February 2014)