



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT CHRISTOPHER P. CASTLE

Chief Master Sergeant Christopher Castle is the Senior Enlisted Leader of the Texas Air National Guard, Camp Mabry, Austin, Texas. He is the principal enlisted advisor to the Air National Guard Commander for more than 2800 assigned enlisted personnel. His responsibilities include advising the commander on all matters affecting the readiness, training, professional development and effective utilization of assigned enlisted personnel and coordinating with the headquarters staff, commanders, and senior personnel on administration and implementation of command policy.

CMSgt Castle began his military career with the Louisiana Air National Guard in November 1985. He attended technical training as a Jet Engine Mechanic at Chanute Air Force Base (AFB), graduating in October of 1986. In May 1987, he transferred to Active Duty service and was assigned to Moody AFB, Georgia and later Kadena Air Base, Japan. In 1992, he retrained as a C-130 Flight Engineer and was assigned to the 772nd Tactical Airlift Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas. In Feb 1997, he transferred to the 181st Airlift Squadron, Texas Air National Guard. In 2002, he retrained into the Cyberspace career field, joining the 136th Communications Flight, Carswell Field, Texas, serving as Chief of Cyber Operations from 2008 to 2011. From December, 2011 to March of 2017, Chief Castle was assigned as the Command Chief Master Sergeant for the 136th Airlift Wing. While serving in that position, Chief Castle served as Group Superintendent of the 370th Air Expeditionary Advisory Group at Baghdad Diplomatic Support Center, Iraq in support of OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE. Chief Castle has served in a variety of positions with increasing responsibilities throughout his career. He has participated in Operations DESERT SHIELD, DESERT STORM, SOUTHERN WATCH, UPHOLD DEMOCRACY, JOINT ENDEAVOR, and JOINT GUARD. In September 2005, he deployed to New Orleans, Louisiana, participating in relief efforts in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. Prior to assuming his current position, Chief Castle served as the Chief Enlisted Manager for the National Guard Bureau All Hazards Coordination Center in Tyler, Texas.



EDUCATION

- 1990 Noncommissioned Officer (NCO) Preparatory School, Kadena Air Base, Japan
- 2000 NCO Academy, Maxwell Air Force Base (AFB), Ala.
- 2001 Senior NCO Academy, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2002 Associates of Applied Science Degree, Aviation Operations, Community College of the Air Force
- 2008 Associates of Applied Science Degree, Electronic Systems Technology, Community College of the Air Force
- 2008 Associates of Applied Science Degree, Information Systems Management, Community College of the Air Force
- 2009 Air National Guard (ANG) Chief's Executive's Course, Joint Base Andrews, Md.
- 2012 ANG Command Chief Orientation Course, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 2012 Air Force Smart Operations for the 21st Century Executive Leadership Course, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- 2014 USAF Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
- 2016 Leadership Development Program, Center for Creative Leadership, San Diego, Calif.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. November 1985 - May 1987, Jet Engine Mechanic, 159th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Naval Air Station (NAS) New Orleans, La.
2. May 1987 - May 1989, Jet Engine Mechanic, 347th Component Repair Squadron, Moody Air Force Base (AFB), Ga.
3. May 1989 - May 1992, Jet Engine Mechanic, 376th Field Maintenance Squadron, Kadena Air Base (AB), Japan
4. May 1992 – October 1993, Flight Engineer, 772nd Tactical Airlift Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas
5. October 1993 - February 1997, Instructor Flight Engineer, 39th Airlift Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas
6. February 1997 - August 2002, Instructor Flight Engineer, 181st Airlift Squadron, Carswell Field, Texas
7. August 2002 - August 2006, Information Systems Security Manager, 136th Communications Flight, Carswell Field, Texas
8. August 2006 – November 2008, Computer Systems Superintendent, 136th Communications Flight, Carswell Field, Texas
9. November 2008 - December 2011, Chief of Cyber Operations, 136th Communications Flight, Carswell Field, Texas
10. December 2011 – March 2017, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 136th Airlift Wing, Carswell Field, Texas
11. February 2016 – July 2016, Group Superintendent, 370th Air Expeditionary Advisory Group, Baghdad, Iraq
12. March 2017 – July 2018, Chief Enlisted Manager, NGB All Hazards Coordination Center, Tyler, Texas
13. July 2018 – Present, Command Chief Master Sergeant, Texas Air National Guard, Camp Mabry, Austin, Texas

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Chief Aircrew Member

Flight Hours: More than 3400

Aircraft flown: C-130E, C-130H1, and C-130H2

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal with 1 oak leaf cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with 3 oak leaf clusters

Army Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal with 5 oak leaf clusters

STATE AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Texas Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal

Louisiana Emergency Service Ribbon

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

Air Force Sergeant's Association

Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States, Life Member

National Guard Association of Texas, Life Member

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman First Class Aug. 19, 1988

Senior Airman Nov. 16, 1989

Staff Sergeant Nov. 1, 1995

Technical Sergeant Sept. 8, 1998

Master Sergeant Sept. 23, 2000

Senior Master Sergeant Sept. 1, 2006

Chief Master Sergeant Nov. 12, 2008

(Current as of August 2018)