



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT STEVEN O. KOEHLER JR.

Chief Master Sergeant Steven O. Koehler Jr., is the is the Command Chief Master Sergeant of the 15th Wing, Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam, Hawaii. He serves as the principal adviser to the wing commander on enlisted issues. His responsibilities include advising the commander on all matters affecting the health, morale, and welfare of 7,500 personnel assigned to the host wing and 37 tenant units, including the 515th Air Mobility Operations Wing, 624th Regional Support Group, 692nd Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance Group and Headquarters Pacific Air Forces. The wing supports C-17A, C-37A, C-40B, F22A and KC-135 operations, while also providing command functions to operate the airfield at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam. The wing, in partnership with the Hawaii Air National Guard and US Navy, employs Total Force combat and peacetime joint base support to operations across Hawaii and throughout the Pacific Theater.

CMSgt Koehler enlisted in the Air Force in June of 1992 and his background includes various duties in the Security Forces career field. He served as Flight Chief, Operations & Training Superintendent, Logistics and Resources Superintendent, NCOIC, Installation Security Section, Superintendent, Security & Policing for International Affairs and Security Forces Manager. He has deployed in support of Operations IRAQI and ENDURING FREEDOM and completed overseas tours in the Republic of Korea, Portugal, United Kingdom, Germany, Africa, Iraq and Afghanistan. Before assuming his current position, he served as the Interim Superintendent, of the 90th Security Forces Group, Francis E. Warren Air Force Base, Wyoming.



EDUCATION

1997 NCO Prep School, North Carolina Air National Guard, N.C.
1999 Airmen Leadership School, Peterson Air Force Base, Colo.
2006 Kisling NCO Academy, Kapaun Air Base, Germany
2008 Senior NCO Joint PME Correspondence Course
2008 Associate in Criminal Justice, Community College of the Air Force
2012 Senior NCO Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Ala.
2013 Certificate in Professional Management, Community College of the Air Force
2013 Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice, American Military University
2017 Nuclear Weapons Orientation Course, Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico
2017 AF Command Chief Training Course, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland
2017 AF Senior Enlisted Legal Orientation Course, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
2018 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education II Correspondence Course
2018 AF Leading Strategically Course, Center for Creative Leadership, Colorado Springs, Colo.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1992 - June 1996, Security Response Team Member/Elite Gate Guard, 49th Security Forces Squadron, Holloman AFB, N.M.

2. June 1996 – June 1998, Installation Patrolman, 145th Security Forces Squadron, North Carolina Air National Guard, N.C.
3. June 1998 – July 2000, Desk Sergeant & NCOIC, Alarms & Sensors, 21st Security Forces Squadron, Peterson AFB, Colo.
4. July 2000 – July 2001, Desk Sergeant, 8th Security Forces Squadron, Kunsan AB, Republic of Korea
5. July 2001 – July 2003, Desk Sergeant; NCOIC, Pass & Registration & Crime Prevention, 65th Security Forces Squadron, Lajes Field, Azores
6. July 2003 – July 2007, Flight Chief; NCOIC, Operations; NCOIC, Police Services; NCOIC, Plans and Programs; NCOIC, Training, 422nd Security Forces Squadron, RAF Croughton, United Kingdom
7. July 07 – July 2011, Flight Chief; NCOIC, Installation Security Section; NCOIC, Operations, 52d Security Forces Squadron, Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany
(November 2007 - March 2008, NCOIC, Quick Response Force, 886th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron, Camp Bucca, Iraq)
(October 2010 - May 2011, Ground Combat Advisor, NATO Training Mission & Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan, Camp Phoenix, Kabul, Afghanistan)
8. August 2011 – August 2015, Superintendent, Logistics & Resources, Superintendent, Operations & Training, & Chief, Security and Policing for International Relations, 48th Security Forces Squadron, RAF Lakenheath, United Kingdom
(July 2014 - January 2015, Senior Enlisted Leader, 870th Air Expeditionary Squadron, Chabelley Airfield, Republic of Djibouti)
9. August 2015 – June 2016, Security Forces Manager, 100th Security Forces Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, England
10. June 2016 – Security Forces Manager, 90th Missile Security Forces Squadron, Francis E. Warren Air Force Base, Wyo.
11. August 2018 – Interim Superintendent, 90th Security Forces Group, Francis E. Warren Air Force Base, Wyo.
12. January 2018 – Present, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 15th Wing, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal with one silver oak leaf
 Joint Service Commendation Medal
 Air Force Commendation Medal with two bronze oak leaf clusters
 Air Force Achievement Medal
 Joint Meritorious Unit Award
 Meritorious Unit Award
 Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with four bronze oak leaf clusters
 Afghanistan Campaign Medal
 Iraqi Campaign Medal
 Global War On Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
 Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
 Korean Defense Service Medal
 Nuclear Deterrence Ops Service Medal
 Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border with two bronze oak leaf clusters
 NATO Medal
 2011 & 2012 Air Force Best Large Security Forces Squadron
 2015 United States Air Forces in Europe Best Large Security Forces Squadron
 2018 Meritorious Service Medal with one silver oak leaf cluster

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2008 386 AEW SNCO of Month, Ali Al Salem, Kuwait
 2011 455 AEG SNCO of Month, Camp Phoenix, Afghanistan
 2013 48 FW General Larry Welch Award, RAF Lakenheath, United Kingdom
 2014 48 FW Lance P. Sijan USAF Leadership Award, RAF Lakenheath, United Kingdom
 2014 USAFE Security Forces Staff SNCO of the Year, RAF Lakenheath, United Kingdom
 2014 48 FW SNCO of the Year, RAF Lakenheath, United Kingdom

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROMOTION

Chief Master Sergeant June 1, 2015

(Current as of January 2019)