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EDUCATION

Harvard Divinity School, Harvard X Religion, Conflict, and Peace	2021
Grace Evangelical Seminary Enrolled and attending theological training	2021
Henley-Putnam School of Strategic Security at National American University Doctor of Strategic Security, DSS Dissertation "Universal Tactics Techniques and Procedures for Protection and Safety Within New England Churches" dissertation published March 2018 Honors: GPA 4.0	2019
Fairleigh Dickinson University Master of Science Homeland Security with Graduate Certificate in Terror Studies, MSHS Thesis "Public Service Access Point Integration in Androscoggin County Maine"	2012
New Hampshire College Bachelor of Arts Hotel Resort Tourism, BA Areas of Concentration: Culinary Arts and Hotel Operations Honors: Small Business Administration Student Consulting Program	1979
American College Chartered Life Insurance Underwriter (CLU)	1994
The Institutes, Risk, and Insurance Knowledge Group Accredited Advisor of Insurance (AAI)	1989

AWARDS

Bronze Star	2008
Air Medal	2003
Master Aviator	2009

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

United States Concealed Carry Association Certified Instructor, hand guns, and personal protection	2022-present
East Auburn Baptist Church Christian Studies Instructor and Curriculum writer Classes include Sharing Jesus in Maine, Thriving in Babylon, Mere Christianity, The Pursuit of God	2017 – Present
New England Faith Based Security Alliance, LLC Instructor/Owner Train and consult on protecting Houses of Worship in New England.	2018-Present
University of Maine Augusta Adjunct Professor – Homeland Security in Aviation Developed syllabus and overall course structure, and administered all grades.	2014-2021
Instructor – Tactical Aviation Planning and Military Decision-Making Process for Royal Saudi Land Forces Provided technical and tactical guidance to Royal Saudi Land Forces Aviation Brigade in Tabuk Saudi Arabia to improve combat operations in a border conflict with Houthis in Yemen.	2011

- Military Platform Instructor – Tactical Operations, Personnel Recovery, High Risk of Isolation** 2008 -2012
Assisted in the production of the training materials for preparing soldiers for deployment for Central Command combat while serving 1st Army at Fort Sill and Fort Hood. Instructed and briefed 10,000 soldiers.
- Curriculum Development – Survival, Escape, Resistance, Evasion** 2007
Collaborated on the development of SERE training materials for High Risk of Isolation soldiers scheduled for deployment by the Army National Guard and Army Reserve Components.

RELATED EXPERIENCE

- 160th Aviation Brigade
Brigade Tactical Operations Officer 2009 – 2012
Provided Subject Matter Expertise in tactical mission planning, threat intelligence, personnel recovery, aviation electronic countermeasures to deploying units. The mission was a mobile operation supporting activities in multiple locations including all CENTCOM theaters. During activities in Saudi Arabia, I uncovered acoustic anti-helicopter mines being used by Houthis, which led to the unraveling of a relationship between the Iranian Revolutionary Guard smuggling advanced weaponry across the Red Sea. The intelligence gathered was confirmed by two separate intelligence agencies, causing a change in tactics.
- Army National Guard Bureau
National Aviation Tactical Operations Officer 2007 – 2008
Provided Subject Matter Expertise to 52 states and territories with Army Guard aviation in both CONUS and OCONUS operations. Daily interaction with Battalion through Corps level commands on issues relating to army aviation tactical operations. Authored the first updated tactics since Vietnam for fixed wing theater aircraft for OSACOM. Travel and public speaking included military and civilian audiences of up to 600. During this period, As a countermeasure to the expanding aircraft losses in the CENTCOM, I originated and executed the first national classified conference on aviation tactics at Camp Robinson in Arkansas, which led to officers sharing battlefield tactics and countermeasures that were producing positive results. This conference led battlefield changes contributing to lower losses and increased effectiveness across CENTCOM and AFRICOM. The tactics conference continued with sponsorship by the active army.
- Maine Army National Guard, C/126 AV Medical Evacuation
UH60 Aviator, Unit Tactical Operations Officer 1998 - 2007
Deployed in support of operations in Bosnia, Iraq, Canada, and disaster relief. While serving in an augmented company, I supported the Brigade Combat Team as their TACOPS Officer for mission planning and threat mitigation within their Tactical Operations Center. During this time, I was also the primary aviation threat briefer for aircrews in southern Iraq. During operations in Bosnia, this was my first introduction to Mujahideen tactics and motivations.
- United States Army
UH60/UH1 Aviator, Chief Warrant Officer 4 1979 - 1998
Served in eleven combat commands spanning multiple conflicts and missions including Air Cavalry, Attack, Air Assault. I served the Joint Forces Commander Korea as his pilot, including protective service detail.
- Civilian Employment
Insurance/Securities/Banking Executive 1985 -2002
Owned and operated three insurance agencies, one securities branch, and served as Vice President of Insurance and Securities sales for a publicly traded bank. During this time I held five insurance licenses, four securities licenses, and three advanced certifications in financial and securities underwriting. The civilian business activity was interrupted multiple times for military deployments leading to returning to full time military support.

LANGUAGES

English– native language

MEMBERSHIPS

East Auburn Baptist Church, Security Team, Global Outreach, Theology Instructor
Order of Sword and Shield Honor Society
Crisis Consulting International, Christian missionary security support and hostage negotiations
Technical Exchange for Christian Healthcare, TECH
Faith Based Security Network, Region 1 (New England) Leader
Faith Based Information Sharing and Analysis Organization, New England

TRAINING

Federal Emergency Management Agency, Incident Command System (ICS) 100, 200, 300, 400, 700, 800, Medical Bomb preparedness
National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians, Advanced Emergency Medical Technician, AEMT, WEMT