

Mark S. Garner

Mr. Mark Garner was raised in New Boston, MI where he enlisted in the Marine Corps in January 1979. Upon completion of recruit training he was assigned to the 1st Marine Division where he served as a Rifleman, Scout Sniper, and Scout Sniper Platoon Sergeant. In 1984, Staff Sergeant Garner was assigned as a Recruiter in Davenport, IA where he received his Warrant Officer commission in October 1988.

Warrant Officer Garner rejoined the 1st Marine Division in March 1989 after completing the Warrant Officer Basic Course and the Nuclear, Biological, and Chemical Defense Officers course. He deployed with Battalion Landing Team 1/4, 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable), 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade, aboard the USS Okinawa from June 1990 to April 1991. During this deployment, Chief Warrant Officer-2 Garner participated in operations: Desert Shield, Desert Shield/Desert Storm, Desert Sting on Maradim Island, Kuwait, Desert Saber Amphibious Feint off Ash Shuaybah, Kuwait, and the EPW Evacuation of Faylaka Island, Kuwait.

Chief Warrant Officer-2 Garner returned to the Persian Gulf and North Arabian Sea with BLT 1/4, 11th MEU (SOC) aboard the USS Tarawa from May-November 1992. During this deployment he participated in operations: Desert Stay, Eager Mace Kuwait, Nautical Mantis, Saudi Arabia, and the U.N. transport of Pakistani Forces to Somalia.

Upon his return to Camp Pendleton, CA Chief Warrant Officer-3 Garner was selected to participate in the Degree Completion Program and graduated Summa Cum Laude from National University, San Diego, CA with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Finance.

Reassigned to 1st Marine Division, Chief Warrant Officer-3 Garner's career as a Marine culminated with tours in the 5th Marine Regiment and the Division's Headquarters Battalion. During this time he also received a Masters of Business Administration.

He retired from the Marine Corps in June 1999 and joined Battelle Memorial Institute. Mr. Garner currently leads Battelle's Joint/InterAgency Business Unit in Arlington, VA. The Joint/Interagency Business Unit provides technical, programmatic, and analytic support to the Department of Defense and other Federal agencies engaged in the Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and high-yield Explosives (CBRNE) community. Specific services include a range of CBRNE support services across multiple disciplines related to combating weapons of mass destruction (CWMD) and the development of materiel, leadership and education, personnel and facilities solutions. Mr. Garner's responsibilities include customer interface with senior military and government leaders, business development, financial management, providing technical direction on projects, and supervision and direction for 95 staff members in six geographic locations.