



CSM Stephen E. Bowens **Command Sergeant Major** **Mission and Installation Contracting Command**



Command Sergeant Major Stephen E. Bowens assumed responsibility as the Command Sergeant Major of the Mission and Installation Contracting Command on Jan. 16, 2014. He serves as the MICC commanding general's adviser on all enlisted-related matters as well as areas affecting Soldier and Army civilian quality of life issues. The MICC provides contracting support for the warfighter through three brigades, one field directorate office and 33 field-level contracting offices located throughout the nation and Puerto Rico.

Command Sergeant Major Bowens is a native of Saint Stephens, S.C. After graduating from Saint Stephens High School in 1989, he enlisted in the U.S. Army in June 1989 and attended One Station Unit Training at Fort Knox, Ky. His initial military occupational specialty was as an Armor Crewman.

Command Sergeant Major Bowens' early assignments include the 1/64th Armor Battalion, Fort Stewart, Ga.; 3/11th Armor Cavalry Regiment, Badhersfeld, Germany; 2/68th Armor Battalion Baumholder, Germany; and 1/33rd Armor Battalion Fort Lewis, Wash. He entered the Recruiting Command in May 1997 as a detailed Recruiter in the Raleigh Recruiting Battalion, N.C. His follow-on recruiting assignments include Station Commander, Greenville, S.C., and Fayetteville, N.C., Recruiting Company; Senior Instructor and Division Chief, Recruiting and Retention School, Fort Jackson, S.C.; First Sergeant, Shreveport Recruiting Company, New Orleans Recruiting Battalion; First Sergeant, Florence Recruiting Company, Columbia Recruiting Battalion, S.C.; Recruiting School Sergeant Major, Soldier Support Institute, Fort Jackson, S.C.; Command Sergeant Major, Baltimore Recruiting Battalion, Fort George G. Meade, Md.; and Command Sergeant Major, Columbia Recruiting Battalion, Fort Jackson, S.C. Prior to arriving at the MICC, he served as Command Sergeant Major of the 1st Recruiting Brigade at Fort Meade, Md.

Command Sergeant Major Bowens is a graduate of all of the Army NCO Education System courses, including the Sergeants Major Academy, Class 57. He is a graduate of the Army's Basic Recruiter Course, Station Commander Course, Guidance Counselor Operations Course, Master Trainer Course, Master Fitness Course, Air Assault Course, Department of the Army and U.S. Recruiting Command First Sergeant Courses, and Battle Staff Course. His advanced education includes a Master of Business Administration in Project Management from Columbia Southern University and a Master of Business Administration in Human Resource Management from Trident University.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal with five oak leaf clusters, the Army Commendation Medal with seven oak leaf clusters, the Army Achievement Medal with 11 oak leaf clusters, the coveted Glen E. Morrell Ring and Medallion and the Air Assault Badge. He is a member of the Sergeant Audie Murphy and Sergeant Morales Clubs.

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