



United States Northern Command

Biography

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Major General Joseph M. Lestorti UNITED STATES ARMY RESERVE



Major General Joseph M. Lestorti is Director of Operations for headquarters, U.S. Northern Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado. The Director of Operations serves as the principal advisor to the USNORTHCOM Commander on all matters of homeland defense, to include providing strategic guidance to plan and execute NORTHCOM missions within the area of responsibility; including land, maritime and air operations, defense support to civil authorities, and theater security cooperation, to include the Arctic.

Previously, Major General Lestorti was Deputy Director for Global Integration and Current Operations, Joint Staff/J3.

SOURCE OF COMMISSIONED SERVICE ROTC

EDUCATIONAL DEGREES

State University of New York – BS – Criminal Justice
United States Army War College – MSS – Strategic Studies

MILITARY SCHOOLS ATTENDED

Infantry Officer Basic and Advanced Courses
Combined Arms and Services Staff School
United States Army Command and General Staff College
United States Army War College

FOREIGN LANGUAGE(S) None recorded

PROMOTIONS

2LT

1LT

CPT

MAJ

LTC

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DATE OF APPOINTMENT

1 May 92

30 May 94

1 Jun 96

1 Jul 04

30 Dec 09

27 Jun 14

FROM
Jun 20

TO
Present

ASSIGNMENT

Director of Operations, United States Northern Command, Peterson AFB, CO

Oct 19	Jun 20	Deputy Director for Global Integration and Current Operations, J-3, Joint Staff, Washington, DC
Jul 18	Oct 19	Commanding General, 78th Training Division (Operations), Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ
May 16	Jul 18	Commander, 3d Brigade, Atlantic Division, 75th Training Command, Fort Dix, NJ
Sep 14	May 16	Integration Branch Chief, United States Army Element Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington, DC
May 13	Sep 14	J3 Operations Officer, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, NC
Jul 11	May 13	Commander, 3d Battalion, 318th Regiment, 3d Brigade, 98th Training Division, Fort Meade, MD
Sep 09	Jun 11	J5 Strategic Planner Operations Officer, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, ND and Carolina and OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan (Aug 10-Jun 11, non-rated)
Jul 06	Aug 09	Operation Officer, Army Reserve Counter Terrorism Unit, United States Department of State, Washington, DC (Aug 09, non-rated)
Dec 05	Jul 06	Arabian Peninsula Plans Officer, Headquarters, Special Operations Command Central, MacDill Air Force Base, FL and OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq
Jan 04	Dec 05	S3 Air, Headquarters 1-115th Infantry, Silver Spring, MD (Aug 04-Dec 05, non-rated)
Sep 02	Jan 04	Training, Rhode Island Army National Guard, Middletown, RI (non-rated)
May 01	Aug 02	Observer/Controller, Joint Readiness Training Center Operations Group, Fort Polk, LA (Jun-Aug 02, non-rated)
May 00	May 01	Commander, 10th Mountain Division, (Long Range Surveillance Detachment), Fort Drum, NY
Oct 98	May 00	Commander, B Company, 2d Battalion, 87th Infantry, 10th Mountain Division, Fort Drum, NY
Oct 97	Oct 98	S3 Air, 2d Battalion, 87th Infantry, 10th Mountain Division, Fort Drum, NY
Oct 96	Sep 97	S3 Air/Project Officer, 2d Brigade, 10th Mountain Division, Fort Drum, NY
May 96	Oct 96	Student, Infantry Officer Advanced Course, Fort Benning, Georgia
Dec 94	Apr 96	Executive Officer, F Company, 51st Infantry (Long Range Surveillance Company), Fort Bragg, NC
Jul 93	Dec 94	Platoon Leader, C Company, 1st Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Fort Bragg, NC
Jul 92	Jun 93	Student, Infantry Officer Basic Course, Fort Benning, Georgia

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Deputy Director for Global Integration and Current Operations, J-3, Joint Staff, Washington, DC	Oct 19 – Jun 22	General
Integration Branch Chief, United States Army Element Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington, DC	Sep 14 - May 16	Colonel
J3 Operations Officer, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, NC	May 13 - Sep 14	LTC/Colonel
J5 Strategic Planner Operations Officer, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina and OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan (Aug 10-Jun 11, non-rated)	Sep 09 – Jun 11	Major/LTC
Operation Officer, Army Reserve Counter Terrorism Unit, US Department of State, Washington, DC (Aug 09, non-rated)	Jul 06 – Aug 09	Major
Arabian Peninsula Plans Officer, HQ, Special Operations Command Central, MacDill Air Force Base, FL and OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq	Dec 05 – Jul 06	Major

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

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J5 Strategic Planner Operations Officer, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, NC and OPERATION ENDURING	Sep 09 - Jun 11	Major/LTC

FREEDOM, Afghanistan (Aug 10-Jun 11, non-rated)
Arabian Peninsula Plans Officer, HQ, Special Operations
Command Central, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida and
OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq

Dec 05 – Jul 06 Major

US DECORATIONS AND BADGES

Legion of Merit

Bronze Star Medal

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Joint Service Commendation Medal (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)

Army Commendation Medal (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)

Army Achievement Medal (with 4 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Expert Infantryman Badge

Senior Parachutist Badge

Ranger Tab

Pathfinder Badge

Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge

(Current as of January 2023)