

Command Sergeant Major

Stephen J. LaRocque

Command Sergeant Major, 7th Infantry Division

Joint Base Lewis-McChord



CSM LaRocque enlisted in the Indiana Army National Guard as an Infantryman in February of 1993. He attended basic training in the summer of 1993 and advanced individual training in the summer of 1994, both at Fort Benning, GA. He entered active service in November 1995.

His duty positions have included rifleman, squad automatic rifleman, grenadier, machine gunner, armorer, Radio Telephone Operator, team leader, ammunition section leader, recruiter, squad leader, platoon sergeant, first sergeant, senior military science instructor, operations sergeant major, battalion command sergeant major, brigade command sergeant major, and garrison command sergeant major.

CSM LaRocque's previous duty assignments include Fort Drum New York, Fort Bragg North Carolina, Louisville Kentucky Recruiting Company, Camp Casey Korea, Fort Carson Colorado, Brigham Young University, Fort Bliss Texas, Fort Riley Kansas, and Rheinland-Pfalz Germany. He has deployed to both Iraq and Afghanistan for combat operations.

CSM LaRocque's military education includes the Warrior Leaders Course, Advanced Leaders Course, Senior Leaders Course, Sergeants Major Academy, Battle Staff, Pathfinder School, Combatives Level I and II, NBC Officer School, Airborne, Air Assault, Army Recruiter School, and the Master Resilience Trainer Course. His civilian education includes an associate's degree from Central Texas College, a Bachelor of Science degree from Excelsior College, and an Master's degree in Leadership Studies from the University of Texas at El Paso.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit (2nd award), Bronze Star medal (4rd award), Purple Heart, Meritorious Service medal (2nd award), the Army Commendation medal (5th award, 1 Valor Device), the Army Achievement medal (5th award), the Valorous Unit award, the Meritorious Unit citation, the Army Good Conduct medal (8th award), the National Defense ribbon (2nd award), the Korean Defense Service medal, the Humanitarian Service medal, Global War on Terrorism Service medal, the Afghanistan Campaign medal (2 campaign stars), the Iraq Campaign medal (2 campaign stars), NCOES Ribbon (with numeral 4), Overseas Service ribbon (with numeral 3), the NATO medal, the Army Service ribbon, the Combat Infantry badge, the Expert Infantry badge, Airborne Wings, Air Assault Wings, the Pathfinder badge, and the Recruiter badge.

He is married to Nicole, his high school sweetheart, in 1996. They have three children: Devan, Tristan, and Landan. They also have one grandson.