



COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR
NECATI AKPINAR
JOINT BASE MYER-HENDERSON HALL



Command Sergeant Major Necati Akpinar was born in Hanak, Turkey, on September 1, 1962. He enlisted in the U.S. Army on October 1, 1990, as an Airborne Infantryman (MOS 11B) and later re-classed to Aviation Operations Specialist (MOS 15P).

During his career, he has held many positions of responsibility to include Fire Team Leader, Squad Leader, Platoon Sergeant, Operations NCOIC, Recruiter, First Sergeant F Company, Air Traffic Control, 3rd Battalion, 25th General Support Aviation; First Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 25th Combat Aviation Brigade; Sergeant Major of 1st Battalion, 212th Aviation Regiment; and Command Sergeant Major, 2nd Battalion, 25th Aviation Regiment, 25th Infantry Division.



His military education consists of Warrior Leaders Course, Senior Leaders Course, Battle Staff, Aviation Life Support Specialist, Air Assault, Combat Life Savers Course, Airborne School, Recruiting School, Advanced Leaders Course, Equal Opportunity Course, Anti-terrorism Force Protection Course, Joint Air Operations Staff, Sergeants Major Academy, the Command Sergeants Major Course, and the Garrison Command Sergeants Major Course.

His civilian education consists of a Bachelor's Degree in Physical Education from Gazi University, Turkey, and dual master's degrees in Aviation Safety and Aviation Management from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Florida.

His military decorations include Bronze Star Medal – 2nd award, Meritorious Service Medal – 4th award, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal – 3rd award, Army Achievement Medal – 6th award, Army Good Conduct Medal – 6th award, National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star, NATO Medal, Kosovo Campaign Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal with 3 Stars, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon – 4th Award, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon – 5th Award, Army Superior Unit Award, Recruiting Gold Badge, Belgium Jump Wings, Expert Infantry Badge, and Driver Badge. He is also the recipient of the Order of Saint Michael Medal.

He married in 2000 to his wife, Regina Akpinar. They have a son, Nikolas Hakan, who was born in 2006. Command Sergeant Major Akpinar is a member of a number of professional organizations including the Association of the United States Army and the Non Commissioned Officers Association.