



MAJOR GENERAL JOHN C. HARRIS, JR

Assistant Adjutant General Ohio Army National Guard

Major General John C. Harris, Jr. is the Assistant Adjutant General – Army, Ohio National Guard, and also serves as the Commander, Ohio Army National Guard. General Harris assumed these duties on January 11, 2011 and is responsible for establishing policies, priorities, and oversight for the readiness of approximately 11,400 Soldiers.

General Harris began his military career in 1981 when he enlisted in the Ohio Army National Guard. He received a commission in 1984

through Officer Candidate School. He has commanded at the platoon, detachment, company, and squadron levels while serving in staff assignments at the battalion, squadron, state area command, and joint force headquarters level. Recent assignments include Chief of Staff (Joint Force Headquarters), Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel (Joint Force Headquarters), and Commander of Task Force Lancer in Kosovo.

EDUCATION:

1985 Aviation Officer Basic Course, Fort Rucker, Alabama

1986 Initial Entry Rotary Wing Course, Fort Rucker, Alabama

1992 Aviation Officer Advanced Course, Fort Rucker, Alabama

1993 The University of the State of New York, Bachelor of Science, Sociology, by correspondence

1995 Inspector General Course, Fort Belvoir, Virginia

1996 United States Army Command and General Staff College, CAS3 Resident Course, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

1999 United States Army Command and General Staff College, CSGOC, by correspondence

2006 United States Army War College, Masters, Strategic Studies, by correspondence

2012 United States Army War College, Adjutant General's National Security Seminar, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania

2012 United States Army War College, Senior Reserve Component Officer's Course, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania

2012 USNORTHCOM, Joint Task Force Commander's Training Course, Colorado Springs, Colorado 2013 National Institute of Science and Technology, Baldrige Executive Fellow, Washington, District of Columbia

2013 National Defense University, Capstone General and Flag Officer Course, Washington, District of Columbia

2014 National Defense University, Army Strategic Leadership Development Program – Intermediate, Chapel Hill, North Carolina

2014 Harvard Kennedy School, Senior Executives in National and International Security Course, Boston, Massachusetts

ASSIGNMENTS:

- 1. May 81 June 84, Helicopter Repairer, Attack Helicopter Troop, 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Ohio Army National Guard, Worthington, Ohio
- 2. June 84 February 85, Section Leader, Attack Helicopter Troop, 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Ohio Army National Guard, Worthington, Ohio
- 3. February 85 February 86, UH1M Helicopter Pilot, Attack Helicopter Troop, 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Ohio Army National Guard, Worthington, Ohio
- 4. February 86 September 86, Section Leader, Attack Helicopter Troop, 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Ohio Army National Guard, Worthington, Ohio
- 5. October 86 February 88, Platoon Leader, Attack Helicopter Troop, 107th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Ohio Army National Guard, Worthington, Ohio
- 6. February 88 October 89, Aide-de-Camp to the Adjutant General, Headquarters State Area Command, Ohio Army National Guard, Columbus, Ohio
- 7. November 89 August 90, Platoon Leader, Company N, 4/107th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Ohio Army National Guard, Greensburg, Ohio
- 8. September 90 December 91, Commander, Company C, 2-137th Aviation, Ohio Army National Guard, Columbus, Ohio
- 9. December 91 February 94, Personnel Officer, 2-137th Aviation, Ohio Army National Guard, Columbus, Ohio
- 10. March 94 August 95, Commander, Company B, 2-137th Aviation, Ohio Army National Guard, Columbus, Ohio
- 11. September 95 December 97, Detailed Inspector General, Headquarters State Area Command, Ohio Army National Guard, Columbus, Ohio
- 12. January 98 April 99, Executive Officer, 2-107th Cavalry, Ohio Army National Guard, Kettering, Ohio
- 13. April 99 February 00, Assistant Chief of Staff, Headquarters State Area Command, Ohio Army National Guard, Columbus, Ohio
- 14. February 00 August 01, Personnel Officer, 37th Brigade, 38th Infantry Division, Ohio Army National Guard, North Canton, Ohio
- 15. August 01 June 04, Commander, 2-107th Cavalry, Ohio Army National Guard, Kettering, Ohio
- 16. June 04 March 05, Commander, Task Force Lancer, Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo
- 17. March 05 September 10, Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, OHARNG Element, Joint Force Headquarters, Ohio Army National Guard, Columbus, Ohio
- 18. October 10 January 11, Chief of Staff, Ohio Army National Guard, Columbus, Ohio
- 19. January 11 Present, Assistant Adjutant General for Army, Ohio Army National Guard, Columbus, Ohio

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Senior Army Aviator

Flight Hours: 1,228

Aircraft Flown: AH-1, UH-1, OH-58 Pilot Wings From: Fort Rucker, Alabama

VALOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)

Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Army Commendation Medal (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)

Army Achievement Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (with Silver Oak Leaf Cluster and 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

National Defense Service Medal (with 1 Bronze Service Star)

Kosovo Campaign Medal (with Bronze Star)

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Armed Forces Service Medal

Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Gold Hourglass Device and M Device)

Army Service Ribbon

NATO Medal (Kosovo)

Ohio Distinguished Service Medal

Ohio Commendation Medal

Ohio Faithful Service Ribbon (with Silver Oak Leave Cluster)

Ohio Special Service Ribbon (with numeral 2)

Ohio Award of Merit Ribbon

Ohio Basic Training Ribbon

Ohio Recruiter Achievement Ribbon

Army Superior Unit Award

Army Senior Aviator Badge

Aircraft Crewman Badge

Army Physical Fitness Badge

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS:

Board of Directors, Resurrecting Lives Foundation National Guard Association of the United States

Army Aviation Association of America

United States Army War College Association

Ohio National Guard Association

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

Former Chairman, National Military Personnel Advisory Committee Order of St. George, United States Armor Association Meritorious Service Award, National Guard Association of the United States Past President, Ohio National Guard Association

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTIONS:

Second Lieutenant 24 June 1984 First Lieutenant 23 June 1987 Captain, 28 May 1991 Major 12 July 1996 Lieutenant Colonel 9 November 2001 Colonel 30 September 2005 Brigadier General 17 February 2012 Major General 12 December 2014