

CSM Bryan Barker
Commanding Sergeant Major
XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Liberty, North Carolina



CSM Bryan Barker has served as the Corps CSM since August 2023. CSM Barker entered the United States Army in June 1996 from Crooks, SD and completed One Station Unit Training for MOS 11B, Infantryman, at Fort Moore, Georgia. CSM Barker has served in various positions as an Infantryman throughout his career, including all positions from rifleman to Operations Sergeant Major with 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment; Command Sergeant Major of 1st Squadron, 91st Cavalry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade; 21st Regimental Command Sergeant Major of 3d Cavalry Regiment, Brigade CSM for 5th Armor BDE in Ft. Bliss, TX, Command Sergeant Major, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) and Fort Campbell Command Sergeant Major. CSM Barker also served most recently as the Command Sergeant Major of

Combat Capabilities Development Command. CSM Barker's overseas assignments include a tour in Germany with deployments to Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Poland, and Ukraine. He has six combat deployments to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, eight combat deployments to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, and one deployment to Afghanistan in support of Operation Resolute Support.

CSM Barker is a graduate of Air Assault School, Airborne School, U.S. Army Ranger School, Jumpmaster School, Pathfinder School, U.S. Marine Corps Winter Mountain Leader Course, Pre-Command Course, and all levels of the Noncommissioned Officer Education System, including Class 63 of the U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy, Nominative Leaders Course, and the Keystone Course. He has earned an associate degree from Excelsior College.

CSM Barker's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit (3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Bronze Star Medal (5 Oak Leaf Clusters), Meritorious Service Medal (3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Service Commendation Medal ("V" device and 2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (4 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Achievement Medal (4 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Good Conduct Medal (9th award), National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with five campaign stars, Iraq Campaign Medal with five campaign stars, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon with numeral 5, Overseas Service Ribbon with numeral 6, and NATO Medal. CSM Barker has earned the Ranger Tab, Master Parachutist Badge, Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge and Pathfinder and Air Assault Badge, as well as Canadian, Korean, Moldovan and Czech Parachutist Badges. CSM Barker is also a recipient of the Order of Saint Maurice, the Order of Saint George, and the Order of Saint Barbara.