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Why did you choose a career as a DA Civilian?

I grew up in Dixon, Missouri, and **my mother worked here** on Fort Leonard Wood, so I have always been near this installation. Her career helped support our family, so **I knew it would be a good career move.** I started my career as a summer hire at 3rd Training Brigade during my college break, and loved it.

What do you like most about your job/career as a DA Civilian?

I have met some great attorneys, paralegals and co-workers, who have

passed on valuable lessons to me. I have been in this position a long time, and when I get calls from former staff members, or other civilians in the same type of job needing help, that is my reward – **knowing I have worked hard and my integrity has stood the test of time.**

What is your most memorable experience as a DA Civilian?

I would have to say it was the **EF3 tornado that struck Fort Leonard Wood on December 31, 2010.** It was on the ground for 7.5 miles, and destroyed 41 homes and government property. I was amazed by how this

incident brought all the Fort Leonard Wood agencies and community together to assist Soldiers and their families.

What advice would you give to others considering becoming a DA Civilian?

You have to be willing to like change, because the Army is always changing. **Be a team player** when it comes to your work.

