



William K. Bentley last served as the Reserve Integration Officer, USMC Forces, Central Command, having retired in October 2014 after 28 years of honorable service. Born and raised in Oregon, he enlisted in the Marine Corps as a Combat Engineer (1371) in 1986. After boot camp at MCRD San Diego, he served with MWSS-371 in Yuma, AZ.

Commissioned through the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps in 1991, after graduation from The Basic School and Adjutant's Course he reported to 1st Light Armored Infantry Battalion and participated in the JTF-Los Angeles riot control. Subsequent assignments included Regimental Adjutant, 1st Marines, and the Station Adjutant, MCAS Iwakuni, Japan. Departing active duty in 1997, as a full-time sworn police officer with the Oceanside Police Department, Oceanside, CA, he joined 3d Civil Affairs Group, Camp Pendleton, as the Group Adjutant, planning and preparing dozens of Reserve Marine individual augments and detachments for exercises and operational deployments.

Recruited to the Active Reserve program, he returned to active duty in June 1999 as Assistant Battalion Inspector-Instructor, 4th Supply BN, Newport News, VA, coordinating pre-deployment initiatives for 1200 Marines throughout 10 subordinate units across the U.S. He prepared and executed the BN Mobilization Plan for OEF/OIF in Jan/Feb 2003, during the BN's first mobilization event in over 50 years, and served as the senior remaining I&I during the BN's deployment. After 5 years of I&I duty, in 2004 he transferred to Mobilization Command, Kansas City, MO, as the Director, Reserve Personnel Administration Center (RPAC), where he consolidated multiple functions and staff sections into one PAC servicing over 60,000 Marines while integrating the IRR and Standby Reserve Marine functions and manpower planning into the Total Force mission.

In 2006, he completed Joint Staff College AJPME-II, winning the Reserve Issues Writing Award with topic, "Total Force Integration." Graduating the Army Command and General Staff College in 2008, he was selected for the inaugural Homeland Security Writing Award with topic, "Maritime Homeland Security in a Fourth Generation Warfare Environment."

Reporting to Reserve Affairs Manpower, HQMC, in July 2008, as the Distribution and Total Force Integration Officer, he participated in Service and Joint working groups to define and refine Total Force issues. Deployed to NATO Training Mission-Afghanistan/Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan in April 2009, he was selected to fill the Deputy Chief of Staff billet while dual-hatted as XO for the Deputy Commander, Police Development. He coordinated all movements and activities of the Canadian Major General Deputy Commander-Police throughout the country to develop Afghan National Police sustainable capacity. Between June 2010 and June 2013, he served as Assistant Chief of Staff G-1, for 4th Marine Division, and then 4th Marine Logistics Group, Marine Forces Reserve, New Orleans, coordinating the full range of manpower, personnel, and administrative functions for up to 20,000 Marines located in 47 states, while planning for significant Force Structure Review Group reorganizations.

Will graduated Oregon State University with a BS in Eastern European Studies, and holds a MS in Management from Troy State University. He was designated a Level III, fully Joint Qualified Officer (JQO), with MOS 9702, in December 2010.

His decorations include: Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 gold stars), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and

Afghanistan Campaign Medal (with 2 campaign stars). He and Simona, his wife of 29 years, have six children and reside in Southern California. He can be reached at: wbentley68@yahoo.com.