



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

MAJOR JONATHAN K. SAWMILLER

Maj Sawmiller is the Deputy Staff Judge Advocate at the 366th Fighter Wing at Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho. The 366th Fighter Wing is comprised of over 4,200 personnel operating the F-15E Strike Eagle, Republic of Singapore F-15SG, and U.S. Navy EA-18G Growler aircraft, as well as the Mountain Home Range Complex, a 122,000 acre air-to-ground and electronic combat range.

Maj Sawmiller enlisted in the Idaho Air National Guard in 2005, where he specialized in Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear (CBRN) defense. While enlisted, he deployed twice, operating CBRN detection networks and searching for WMDs in Iraq. During law school, Maj Sawmiller was a Law Review editor, interned with the U.S. Army JAG Corps, and worked as a limited license prosecutor in Ada County, Idaho. He also worked as a DOD contractor administering the Navy-Marine Corps Intranet, and clerked for the Honorable Daniel Eismann, Chief Justice of the Idaho Supreme Court.



Maj Sawmiller transferred to the Regular Air Force and received a direct commission as a Judge Advocate in December 2011. He is admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of Idaho and the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces. Prior to his current assignment, Maj Sawmiller served in a variety of judge advocate roles, including Special Assistant U.S. Attorney, Chief of Military Justice, Area Defense Counsel, Rule of Law Advisor to Afghan counter-terrorism investigators and courts, and Cyberspace Operations Legal Advisor at the Air Force Component of U.S. Cyber Command.

EDUCATION

- 2004 A.S. in Computer Science, Black Hawk College, Moline, IL
- 2005 Basic Military Training (*Honor Graduate*)
- 2005 Readiness Apprentice Course (*Distinguished Graduate*)
- 2007 B.A. in English, Boise State University, Boise, ID
- 2008 Airman Leadership School (correspondence)
- 2008 A.A.S. in Emergency Management, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2010 Emergency Management Craftsman Course
- 2011 J.D., University of Idaho, Moscow, ID
- 2012 Commissioned Officer Training (*Distinguished Graduate*)
- 2013 Squadron Officer School (correspondence)
- 2015 Squadron Officer School (residence, *Top Third Graduate*)
- 2018 LL.M. in Cyber, Space, and Telecommunications Law, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE
- 2020 Air Command and Staff College (correspondence)

ASSIGNMENTS

1. January 2005 - December 2011: Readiness (CBRN) Technician, 124th Civil Engineer Squadron, Gowen Field, Idaho
(Deployed May 2006 - September 2006, Readiness (CBRN) Technician, 407th Expeditionary)

- Civil Engineer Squadron, Ali Base, Iraq)
 (Deployed December 2007 - July 2008, Readiness (CBRN) Technician, 379th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron, Al Udeid AB, Qatar)
2. January 2012 – June 2014: Assistant Staff Judge Advocate (Chief of Separations, Adverse Actions, and General Law), Ogden Air Logistics Center and 75th Air Base Wing, Hill AFB, Utah
 3. July 2014 – July 2016: Assistant Staff Judge Advocate (Chief of Nonjudicial Punishment, Administrative Law, and Military Justice), 673rd Air Base Wing, JB Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska (Deployed January 2016 – July 2016, Rule of Law Advisor, U.S. Forces Afghanistan National Security Justice Development Directorate, Bagram Air Field, Afghanistan)
 4. July 2016 – July 2017: Area Defense Counsel, Air Force Legal Operations Agency, JB Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska
 5. August 2017 – May 2018: Master of Laws (LL.M) Student, Air Force Institute of Technology, University of Nebraska College of Law, Lincoln, Nebraska
 6. May 2018 – July 2020: Chief of Cyber Operations Law and Cyber Special Programs Law, 16th (formerly 24th) Air Force, Air Forces Cyber, and Joint Force Headquarters - Cyber (Air Force), JB San Antonio - Lackland, Texas
 7. July 2020 – Present: Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, 366th Fighter Wing, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal
 Joint Service Commendation Medal
 Air Force Commendation Medal (3 OLC)
 Air Force Achievement Medal (1 OLC)
 Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal (1 OLC)
 Outstanding Airman of the Year Ribbon
 Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon (1 OLC)
 Basic Military Training Honor Graduate Ribbon

2019 ACCelerate Award for Jan-Jun 2019, Air Combat Command JA
 2017 AFLOA/JAJD McChord Region Company Grade Officer of the Quarter
 2015 673 ABW Wing Staff Company Grade Officer of the Year
 2009 U.S. Air National Guard Outstanding Airman of the Year
 2008 124 FW Guardsman of the Year
 2006 407 ECES Airman of the Rotation

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman First Class	5 January 2005
Senior Airman	3 October 2006
Staff Sergeant	6 January 2009
Technical Sergeant	11 January 2011
First Lieutenant	5 December 2011
Captain	8 July 2012
Major	1 May 2018

(Current as of August 2020)