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**Subject:** South Carolina Military Base Commanders Meeting  
**Location:** My Carolina Alumni Center, 900 Senate St, Columbia, S.C.  
**When:** 12/9/2015 11:00:00 AM - 12:30:00 PM  
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**EVENT:** Military Base Task Force, Military Commanders Meeting

**DATE:** December 9, 2015

**TIME:** 11:00 AM. The group is aware the Governor will arrive ten minutes late due to an important call. They have requested she stay ten additional minutes on the back end of the event.

**LOCATION:** USC Alumni Center, 900 Senate Street, Columbia, SC

**PARKING:** The Governor may be dropped off at the portico in front of the Center at 900 Senate Street.

**PURPOSE:** To hear updates from base commanders around the state.

**LINE-BY-LINE:**

11:10 AM Chairman Bethea gives welcome, introduces Governor Haley

11:13 AM Governor Haley makes welcoming remarks

11:18 AM Military Installation Briefs

- USARCENT, LTG Michael X. Garrett
- Fort Jackson, MG Roger L. Cloutier
- Ninth Air Force, Maj Gen Mark D. Kelly
- SC National Guard, MG Robert E. Livingston, Jr.
- Marine Corps Recruit Depot, BGen Terry V. Williams
- Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort, Col Peter D. Buck
- Shaw Air Force Base, Col Stephen F. Jost
- Naval Hospital Beaufort, CAPT Anne Lear

- Joint Base Charleston, Col Robert K. Lyman
- US Coast Guard Sector Charleston, CAPT Gary Tomasulo

12:20 PM Briefs Conclude, Governor to Present the Order of the Palmetto to Bill Bethea (see additional brief)

12:30 PM Governor Haley departs

**SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS:**

- How important the military is to SC;
- How proud we are of them;
- What a great job they did during the flood, especially the National Guard.

**BIOS:**

**LTG Michael X. Garrett, USARCENT**

Lt. Gen. Michael X. Garret is the Commanding General of U.S. Army Central located at Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina. A native of Cleveland, Ohio, he received his commission in 1984 as a Second Lieutenant in the Infantry upon graduating from Xavier University.

Garrett’s military education includes completion of the Infantry Officer Basic and Advance courses, the US Army Command and General Staff College and a prestigious Senior Service College Fellowship. He also holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Criminal Justice from Xavier University.

His awards and badges include the Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters, Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf cluster, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, The Combat Infantryman Badge, The Expert Infantryman Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Air Assault Badge, and the Ranger Tab.

**MG Roger L. Cloutier, Fort Jackson**

Major General Roger L. Cloutier Jr. is the 48th Commanding General of the United States Army Training Center and Fort Jackson. Prior to taking Command of the U.S. Army Training Center, Major General Cloutier served as the Director, Force Management, Headquarters Department of the Army, Deputy Chief of Staff, G3/5/7.

Major General Cloutier was commissioned as an Infantry officer in the U.S. Army upon graduation from the University of San Diego in 1988. He holds a Bachelor’s degree in Political Science and a Master’s degree in International Relations. Throughout his career, Major General Cloutier has served in leadership positions and commanded from Company through Brigade.

His awards include: Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Bronze Star Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Commendation Medal with “V” Device, the Army Commendation Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Achievement Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters.

Major General Cloutier has been married to his wife Diane for 28 years and they have three children, Haille, Roger III, and Cameron.

**Maj Gen Mark D. Kelly, Ninth Air Force**

Maj. Gen. Mark D. Kelly is Commander, Ninth Air Force, Air Combat Command, Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina. Ninth Air Force is comprised of eight active-duty wings and three direct reporting units in the Southeastern United States with more than 400 aircraft and 29,000 active-duty and civilian personnel. Ninth Air Force is also responsible for the operational readiness of 16 Air Reserve Component wings.

General Kelly entered the Air Force in 1986, receiving his commission from the Air Force ROTC program at Southwest Texas State University. He earned his pilot wings at Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas. General Kelly has commanded a fighter squadron, two fighter wings and most recently, the 455th Air Expeditionary Wing at Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan. General Kelly is a command pilot with more than 5,500 flying hours, including over 800 combat hours in fighter aircraft.

### **MG Robert E. Livingston, Jr., SC National Guard**

Major General Robert E. Livingston, Jr. serves as The Adjutant General (TAG) of South Carolina, the head of the Military Department of the state of South Carolina. He administers the affairs of the South Carolina Army and Air National Guard, the Emergency Management Division, the State Guard, and the Youth Challenge Academy. The Governor, by law, is the Commander-in-Chief. The Adjutant General is a Constitutional Officer and has the rank of Major General.

Livingston's military service began when he enlisted in the South Carolina Army National Guard in March 1978. He was commissioned through the Palmetto Military Academy, Officer Candidate School in 1980 as the Top Honor Graduate. His military education began with his completion of the U.S. Army Infantry School in 1978 and Airborne School in 1979. General Livingston commanded the Task Force 218th in support of Operation Noble Eagle from June 2004 to January 2005. From May 07 to April 08, he commanded Combined Joint Task Force Phoenix (VI) in Afghanistan where he was responsible for the training and mentoring (advising) of the Afghan National Security Forces. His next assignment was Director for Strategic Plans and Policy (J5), National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia. His last assignment was as Director, J5 Coalition Coordination Center, United States Central Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida where he was responsible for facilitating the exchange between the Command Staff for the United States Central Command and Military Senior National Representatives from over 60 countries. He was also charged with providing deployment support for Coalition Countries within the United States Central Command Area of Responsibility. Since January 2011, MG Livingston has served as The Adjutant General of South Carolina.

Livingston is President, Chief Executive Officer and Owner of Gregory Electric Company, Incorporated, which is headquartered in Columbia, South Carolina. Gregory Electric Company is a provider of complete commercial and industrial electrical, utility and telecommunications services with operations in nine states.

### **BGen Terry V. Williams, Marine Corps Recruit Depo**

Brig. Gen. Terry V. Williams was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps in 1986 after graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics from the University of California in Los Angeles.

Williams has served throughout the Marine Air-Ground Task Force, with command and staff assignments at every level.

On June 20, 2014, Williams assumed command as the commanding general, Marine Corps Recruit Depot/Eastern Recruiting Region, Parris Island.

Williams' professional military education consists of The Basic School, Amphibious Warfare School (non-resident), Marine Corps Weapons and Tactics Instructors Course, Army Engineer Officer Advanced Course, Army Joint Course on Logistics, Naval Command and General Staff College, Joint Professional Military Education Phase II, and the National War College.

## **Col Peter D. Buck, Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort**

Colonel Buck was born in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, and grew up in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He graduated from Concordia University, Chicago, Illinois, in 1987, was commissioned through the Platoon Leaders Course (PLC) in May of 1987, and designated a Naval Aviator in July 1989.

He completed CH-46E training at Marine Corps Air Station, Tustin, California, in 1989 and reported to the "Ridgerunners" of Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron-163 where he served as the Ground Safety Officer and Flight Line Officer. During this period, he completed two WestPac deployments with 11th and 15th Marine Expeditionary Units (MEU) including operations in the Arabian Gulf, Philippines, and Somalia.

His personal awards include the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (Three Gold Stars), Air Medal (Numeral "1"), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

## **Col Stephen F. Jost, Shaw Air Force Base**

Colonel Stephen F. Jost is the Commander of the 20th Fighter Wing, Shaw Air Force Base, S.C. The wing's mission is to provide, project and sustain combat-ready air forces. As commander, he serves as the senior officer responsible for organizing, training and equipping an 18-squadron wing with three Lockheed-Martin F-16CM Fighting Falcon squadrons. Additionally, Colonel Jost is responsible for the mission readiness of the wing's aircraft, 17 wing staff agencies, stewardship of Shaw, and the health and welfare of 7,886 active duty Airmen and civilians and more than 8,000 family members. Further, he supervises the support of the 25,000 local military retirees and 24 geographically separated units across nine states.

## **CAPT Anne Lear, Naval Hospital Beaufort**

CAPT Anne Lear is a 1988 graduate of the University of San Diego with her Masters in Nursing. She was certified through the American Nurses Credentialing Center as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner and maintained a small community practice for two years. As alumni of the University of San Diego, she mentored both civilian and navy graduate nursing students. It was through this mentoring program that she was introduced to the idea of joining the navy.

CAPT Lear joined the United States Navy in 1990. Her 23 year career has included direct patient care as pediatric nurse practitioner and leadership roles as pediatric division officer and department head, at NMC San Diego, Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton, NMC, Portsmouth and Naval Hospital Yokosuka, Japan. She served as Director for Medical Services at Naval Health Clinic Patuxent River and Naval Hospital 29 Palms and Director of Nursing Services, Naval Medical Center, Portsmouth, where she supervised 1270 personnel and 13 Inpatient care units. In the course of a diverse career she has been afforded the opportunity to serve as specialty leader for the pediatric and nurse practitioner communities from 2004-2008, deployed on humanitarian missions to Operation GITMO, Cuba, and Operation Pacific Haven, Guam, two MEDCAP tours with 1st Medical Battalion to Ecuador and Guatemala and most recently served as the Senior Nurse at the NATO Role III, Kandahar, Afghanistan July 2009- Sep 2010.

CAPT Lear most recently detached as the Executive Officer of Naval Health Clinic, Cherry Point, North Carolina and has reported to duty on 26 July 2013 as the Commanding Officer of Naval Hospital Beaufort and the Naval Support Facility. She is well versed in the role of clinic management and the business of health care operations and continues to strive for efficiency, quality patient care and the opportunity to help others succeed. She has developed a successful career from practitioner to administrator and has worked to create a positive work environment with a reliable reputation as a hard worker. She has developed her own professional philosophy that she tries to emulate in her work ethic; to think outside the box, to be seen as a person with integrity and to be remembered for having a positive impact on the lives of others.

CAPT Lear maintains an active RN license and Pediatric Nurse Practitioner certification. She has been awarded, five-Meritorious Service Medals, three- Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medals, one- Navy Achievement Medal and numerous other personal and unit awards.

## **Col Robert K. Lyman, Joint Base Charleston**

Colonel Rob Lyman is the Commander of both Joint Base Charleston and the 628th Air Base Wing, South Carolina. As host to over 60 DoD and Federal agencies, the Wing provides installation support to a total force of over 90,000 Airmen, Sailors, Soldiers, Marines, Coast Guardsmen, civilians, dependents, and retirees across four installations including Charleston AFB and Naval Weapons Station Charleston. In addition, the Wing provides mission-ready expeditionary Airmen to Combatant Commanders in support of Joint and Combined operations worldwide. As the commander, he is responsible for \$7.5 billion in base property and capital assets and controls an annual budget exceeding \$172 million. He most recently served as the Director of Communications and Chief Information Officer of Headquarters Air Mobility Command at Scott Air Force Base. Formerly, he was the Chief of Strategy Integration in the Air Force Office of Business Transformation, has served as a White House Fellow in the Office of the Secretary of Transportation, and has multiple combat zone deployments.

Col Lyman entered the active duty Air Force in September 1993 as a distinguished graduate from the ROTC program at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York. He has served unit level tours in logistics, combat communications, space operations, joint special operations and on headquarters staffs at major command, Headquarters Air Force, sub-unified joint command, and joint task force level. He has extensive joint experience and is a fully qualified joint specialty officer as well as having commanded at squadron and group levels.

## **CAPT Gary Tomasulo, US Coast Guard Sector Charleston**

Captain Gary Tomasulo currently serves as the Commander at Coast Guard Sector Charleston and leads over 700 active duty, reserve and civilian men and women in conducting all Coast Guard missions in the states of South Carolina and Georgia.

Prior to this assignment, he served as Staff Judge Advocate to Coast Guard Atlantic Area in Portsmouth, Virginia and was responsible for providing legal advice to the Area Commander and all Atlantic Area units; which include more than 23,000 active duty, reserve, and civilian personnel. Commander, Atlantic Area, serves as the operational commander for all U.S. Coast Guard missions from the Rocky Mountains to the Arabian Gulf, spanning across five Coast Guard Districts and 40 states.

Captain Tomasulo's staff assignments have been diverse. He served at the White House as Director for North America and Director for Brazil and Southern Cone on the National Security Council staff from 2007 to 2009. As a Director he was responsible for developing and coordinating U.S. policy toward Mexico, Canada, Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Paraguay, and Uruguay. Additional assignments ashore include: Legal Advisor to the Office of Law Enforcement, Washington, DC; Deputy, Operations Law Group in the Office of Maritime and International Law; Congressional Fellow for U.S. Senator Mike DeWine; and Aide and Speech Writer for Admiral James M. Loy, Commander, Atlantic Area, and after the Admiral's transfer to Coast Guard Headquarters, as Aide to the Chief of Staff, U.S. Coast Guard.

A native of Shirley, New York, Captain Tomasulo is a 1991 graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. His academic degrees include a Bachelor of Science degree from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, a Juris Doctor degree from Hofstra University School of Law, and a Master of Business Administration degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Sloan School of Management. He is a member of the New York State Bar.

His awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, two Coast Guard Meritorious Service Medals, four Coast Guard Commendation Medals, two Coast Guard Achievement Medals, Army Achievement Medal, and numerous service awards. In 1998, Captain Tomasulo was awarded the U.S. Navy League's Captain David H. Jarvis Award for inspirational leadership and operational excellence.