

United States Marine Corps (Ret.)

Lieutenant General

Fred McCorkle

Former Deputy Commandant for Aviation, Headquarters



Fred McCorkle retired from the United States Marine Corps on one October 2001. He is currently serving on the board of directors and as a senior advisor for GKN Aerospace Services. He additionally serves on the Rolls-Royce North America board of directors, and is a member of the board of directors of Lord Corporation and of Atlas Air World Wide Holdings, Inc. Fred also serves on several tax-exempt charity foundations Boards to include : The Jewish Institute for National Security Affairs (JINSA), The Navy and Marine Association and the Marine Corps Law Enforcement Foundation.

In addition to the above boards, Fred also serves as a senior advisor for Optical Air Data Systems (OADS).

Lieutenant General Frederick McCorkle, USMC (retired) last served as the Deputy Commandant for Aviation, Headquarters, Marine Corps, Washington, D.C.

He was born on nine, November 1944, and was raised in Harriman, Tennessee. In 1966, he received his Bachelor of Science degree in education from East Tennessee State University and (in 1979) received a master's degree in administration from Pepperdine University. After completion of Officer Candidates School, and The Basic School in Quantico, Virginia (1967), he attended Naval Flight School, Pensacola, Florida, and was designated a naval aviator in January, 1969. He Served in Vietnam with HMM-262 during 1969-1970 and flew over 1,500 combat missions. Throughout his career, he accumulated over 6,500 flight hours in over 60 different series of aircraft.

Operational assignments included billets as commanding officer, Marine Aviation Weapons and Tactics Squadron One (MAWTS-1), (1986-1988); head of operations, First Marine Aircraft Wing, Okinawa, Japan (1988-1989); head of operations, Second Marine Aircraft Wing, Cherry Point, North Carolina (1989-1990); and as commanding officer, Marine Aircraft Group Twenty Nine (MAG -29), Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) New River, North Carolina (1990-1992). As a general officer, he served as Commander, Marine Corps Air Bases eastern area and commanding general, MCAS Cherry Point, North Carolina (1993-1996). He additionally served as the commanding general, Third Marine Aircraft Wing, MCAS, El Toro, California (1996-1998). Fred assumed the duties as Deputy Commandant for Aviation on 28 June 1998 and was advanced to the grade of lieutenant general on 21 august 1998.

Military schools included: The Basic School, Quantico, Virginia (1967); Naval Flight School,

Pensacola, Florida (1967-1969); Marine Corps Test Pilot School, Tustin, California (1971); Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Quantico, Virginia (1979-1980); and the National War College, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C. (1984-1985).

Personal decorations include: The Distinguished Service Medal; The Legion of Merit with three Gold Stars in lieu of second through fourth awards; The Distinguished Flying Cross with Gold Star in lieu of second award; The Purple Heart; The Air Medal with Single Mission Award and 76 Strike/Flight Awards; Navy Commendation Medal with Combat "V"; and The Navy Achievement Medal.

Fred is married (since June, 1966) to the former Kathy Schwartz of Johnson City, Tennessee.

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