

DISTINGUISHED MEMBER OF THE SPECIAL FORCES REGIMENT



**CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER FIVE
JAMES J. KORENOSKI**
U.S. Army, Retired

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Chief Warrant Officer Five James Korenoski enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1987 as an infantryman. He completed the Special Forces Qualification Course in 1994 and was assigned to the 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne).

Korenoski held various roles, including weapons sergeant, intelligence sergeant, detachment commander, company, battalion, and group operations warrant, and Warrant Officer Institute instructor. He was the first command chief warrant officer of the 1st Special Warfare Training Group. He concluded his career as the 5th Special Forces Group command chief warrant officer after more than 31 years of service.

Korenoski spent most of his career in the United States Central Command area of responsibility. His operational experience includes numerous combat deployments, including Somalia, Operations Desert Shield/Storm, Iraqi Freedom, Enduring Freedom, and Inherent Resolve.

Korenoski's significant awards and decorations include Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal (with five oak leaf clusters), Special Forces Tab, Combat Infantryman Badge, Senior Parachutist Badge, Combat Dive Supervisor Badge, and numerous foreign badges. Korenoski is a recipient of the General Douglas MacArthur Leadership Award, the Silver St. Philip Neri Medal, and Office of Strategic Services Peter Ortiz Award.

Korenoski's service to the Regiment continued after his retirement. In 2018, he started his own consulting company to provide mentorship to service members in Special Operations Forces and other DoD entities during Joint Readiness Training Center rotations and other venues.

He serves as the senior vice president of Tomahawk Strategic Solutions, providing training to law enforcement, first responders, and corporations on a global level.

Korenoski is a life member of the Special Forces Association and is currently vice president of Chapter 38 in Kentucky. He is a quarterly guest speaker at 5th Special Forces Group's PIVOT program, which assists Soldiers in their transition from military to civilian life.

He holds a bachelor's in Intelligence Studies from American Military University and a master's degree in National Security Studies from National Defense University.

Korenoski has been married to his wife, Angie, for more than 30 years. They have two sons, Jeremy and Jesse, both of whom proudly serve this great nation.