

Colonel Kevin M. Hudson, USMC (Ret.)

Colonel Kevin Hudson a native of Virginia Beach, Virginia, he graduated from Radford University in 1990 with a BS in Chemistry. Colonel Hudson reported to Quantico, Virginia for Officer Candidate School in February 1991. After graduation from OCS he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant and reported for training at The Basic School. After TBS, he was assigned to the Infantry Officers Course where he was designated a 0302. Colonel Hudson reported to 3rd Landing Support, Bravo Company, Okinawa Japan, where he served as a Platoon Commander and as the Executive Officer. During that period Colonel Hudson attended and graduated from the Korean Infantry Mountain Warfare Ranger Course, and conducted operations and exercises throughout the Far East. In May of 1993 Colonel Hudson applied and was accepted for Naval Aviation Flight Training. He was designated a Naval Aviator in January of 1995 in Pensacola, FL. He subsequently reported to Camp Pendleton, California for initial training as an Attack Pilot in the AH-1W.

In May 1995, he reported to Marine Aircraft Group 26, Marine Corps Air Station New River, where he was assigned to HML/A-167. On 01 August 1995 he was promoted to the rank of Captain. During this tour he attended the Aviation Safety Officer Course and MAWTS-1 being certified as a Weapons and Tactics Instructor. He held every designation and qualification in the AH-1W and held numerous billets within the squadron. During this tour he participated in multiple exercises and MEU deployments throughout the world.

In the June 1999 Colonel Hudson reported to Marine Aviation Weapons and Tactics Squadron One (MAWTS-1), Yuma, Arizona to serve as an Weapons and Tactics Instructor Pilot. He was promoted to the rank of Major in Aug 2000.

In Jun 2002 he reported MCCDC Quantico, VA for Command and Staff College, where he earned his first Masters Degree in Military Science.

In July of 2003 Colonel Hudson reported to Marine Corps Air Station New River, Marine Air Group 29, HML/A-269. During this tour he held numerous billets including Operations Officer, Tactics OIC and Detachment Commander, conducting multiple operations in Iraq.

Colonel Hudson reported to HQMC, Aviation in May of 2006 where he was assigned as the Aviation Weapons Requirements Officer. In Sept of 2006 he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel.

In May 2007 Colonel Hudson assumed Command of HMLA-267 where he served until May of 2009. As the Commanding Officer of HMLA-267 the squadron participated in support of both OIF and OEF. For their outstanding efforts the squadron was MAG-39's and 3rd MAW's nominee as HMLA Squadron of the year.

In Jun of 2009, Colonel Hudson attended the National War College earning a second Master's Degree in National Security Strategy and Information Operations. After graduation Colonel Hudson was assigned to HQMC MMOA as the Aviation Monitor until July 2012 when he was promoted to the rank of Colonel.

In August 2012 Colonel Hudson was assigned to the Office of the Secretary of Defense where he served as the Director of Global Force Management (GFM) for Policy, reporting directly to the Secretary of Defense on all Global Force Matters. In Jun of 2014 Colonel Hudson reported to HQMC, Aviation as the ASM-1 Branch Head where he oversaw a multitude of USMC manpower and aviation programs.

In May of 2016 Colonel Hudson retired from the USMC to begin a new career as a Director for YAM Management in Scottsdale, AZ.