

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL OF PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS ANNVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA 17003-5002

August 16, 2018

Honorable Tom Wolf Governor Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Governor Wolf:

Under the provisions of 51 Pa. C.S.A. Section 901 and 1103, I am pleased to forward the nomination for a Certificate of Eligibility to Major General in the Army National Guard for Brigadier General Mark J. Schindler. The projected assignment is Assistant Adjutant General, Army Element Joint Force Headquarters, Pennsylvania Army National Guard, vice MG Hilty, reassignment.

Brigadier General Schindler as Assistant Adjutant General provides oversight of Army National Guard training, activities and units, and manages various special focus projects. He plays an active role in any emergency in which the Pennsylvania National Guard is involved and ensures that the Pennsylvania Army National Guard is ready and able to respond to state and federal missions to include deployment for war and other operational missions. General Schindler represents The Adjutant General at official functions as required.

Brigadier General Schindler was commissioned in 1987 through the Reserve Officer Training Corps at Edinboro University, Edinboro, Pennsylvania. He held both company and field grade commands and staff level positions in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard to include the following; Platoon Leader, Telephone & Teletypewriter Officer, Company Commander, C-E System Control Officer, Assistant S3, ADSO, and Assistant Division C-E Officer. He served as Executive Officer, Battalion Commander, G-6, Division Chief of Staff, Plans & Operations Branch Chief, Brigade Commander and G6. General Schindler served as Chief of Staff, Joint Force Headquarters, prior to his current assignment as Assistant Adjutant General, Department of Military & Veterans Affairs, Annville.

Brigadier General Schindler was born in Buffalo, New York in February 1965. He graduated from Edinboro University, Edinboro, Pennsylvania, with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Communications. He also graduated from Clarion University, Clarion, Pennsylvania, with a Master of Science Degree in Communications and United States Army War College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, with a Master of Strategic Studies. His military education includes United States Army War College, Harvard University, Leadership in Homeland Security, and The Senior Leaders Course, Baltic Defense College.

Brigadier General Schindler's awards and decorations include: Legion Of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Achievement Medal (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster), Air Force Achievement Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters), National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Gold Hourglass and M Device), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon (with Numeral 5), Pennsylvania Meritorious Service Medal, Pennsylvania Twenty Year Service Medal (with 2 Silver Stars), Major General Thomas R. White Jr. Medal, General Thomas J. Stewart Medal (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster), The Governor's Unit Citation, and The Adjutant General's Staff Identification Badge.

Brigadier General Schindler is a proven leader and an exceptional officer who possesses unlimited potential to serve and excel in positions of greater authority. I strongly recommend Brigadier General Schindler for a Certificate of Eligibility to Major General.

Sincerely.

Anthony L Carrelli

Major General, Pennsylvania Air National Guard

The Adjutant General



Brigadier General Mark J. Schindler

Assistant Adjutant General Department of Military & Veterans Affairs Annville, PA Since: September 2017



SOURCE OF COMMISSIONED SERVICE ROTC

EDUCATIONAL DEGREES

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania - BA - Communications Clarion University of Pennsylvania - MS - Communications United States Army War College - MSS - Strategic Studies

MILITARY SCHOOLS ATTENDED

Signal Corps Officer Basic Course Signal Corps Officer Advanced Course United States Army War College Harvard University, Leadership in Homeland Security The Senior Leader's Course, Baltic Defense College Army Strategic Education Program - Basic (ASEP-B) Joint Task Force Commanders Course (NORTHCOM)

FOREIGN LANGUAGE(S) None Recorded

PROMOTIONS		DATE OF APPOINTMENT
2LT		10 May 87
1LT		26 May 90
CPT		14 Oct 92
MAJ		14 Apr 00
LTC		31 Jan 06
COL		30 Jan 11
BG		23 Sep 17
FROM	<u>TO</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>
Sep 17	Present	Assistant Adjutant General, Department of Military & Veterans Affairs, Annville, Pennsylvania
Jan 15	Sep 17	Chief of Staff, Joint Force Headquarters, Annville, Pennsylvania
Aug 13	Jan 15	G6, Joint Force Headquarters, Annville, Pennsylvania
Dec 12	Aug 13	Commander, Headquarters, 55th Brigade (Forward), Kuwait/Jordan
Oct 12	Dec 12	Commander, Headquarters, 55th Brigade, Scranton, Pennsylvania
Jan 10	Oct 12	Plans & Operations Branch Chief, Joint Force Headquarters, Annville, Pennsylvania
Jun 09	Jan 10	Chief of Staff, Headquarters, 28th Infantry Division, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Feb 06	Jun 09	G-6, 28th Division Tactical Command Post, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
Mar 05	Feb 06	Battalion Commander, Headquarters, 28th Signal Battalion, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania
Mar 03	Mar 05	Executive Officer, Headquarters, 28th Signal Battalion, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania
Jul 02	Mar 03	Battalion Commander, Headquarters, 28th Signal Battalion, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania
Mar 01	Jul 02	Executive Officer, Headquarters, 28th Signal Battalion, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania
Sep 00	Mar 01	Assistant Division C-E Officer, Headquarters, 28th Signal Battalion, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania
Sep 99	Sep 00	ADSO, Headquarters, 28th Signal Battalion, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania
Jan 99	Sep 99	Headquarters, 28th Signal Battalion, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania
Jun 94	Jan 99	Assistant S3, Headquarters, 28th Signal Battalion, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania
Jun 93	Jun 94	C-E System Control Officer, Headquarters, 28th Signal Battalion, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania
Jan 93	Jun 93	Company Commander, Headquarters, 28th Signal Battalion, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania
Jan 90	Jan 93	Telephone & Teletypewriter Officer, Headquarters, 28th Signal Battalion, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania
May 88	Jan 90	Command Signal Center Platoon Leader, Co A, 28th Signal Battalion, West View, Pennsylvania
Oct 87	May 88	Tactical Platoon Leader, Co A, 28th Signal Battalion, West View, Pennsylvania
May 87	May 87	Tactical Platoon Leader, Co A, 28th Signal Battalion, West View, Pennsylvania
May 87	Oct 87	Student, Signal Officer Basic Course, Fort Gordon, Georgia

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS	<u>DATE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Commander, Headquarters, 55th Brigade (Forward),	Dec 12 - Aug 13	Colonel
Kuwait/Jordan		

US DECORATIONS AND BADGES

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Army Commendation Medal (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)

Army Achievement Medal (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)

Air Force Achievement Medal

Joint Meritorious Unit Award

Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

National Defense Service Medal

Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Gold Hourglass and M Device)

Army Service Ribbon

Overseas Service Ribbon

Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon (with Numeral 5)

Pennsylvania Meritorious Service Medal

Pennsylvania Twenty Year Service Medal (with 2 Silver Stars)

Major General Thomas R. White Jr. Ribbon

General Thomas J. Stewart Medal (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)

Pennsylvania Governor's Unit Citation

Pennsylvania TAG Staff Identification Badge

CIVILIAN OCCUPATION

Deputy Adjutant General - Army

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

U.S. Signal Corps Regimental Association

National Guard Association of Pennsylvania

National Guard Association of the United States

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS Silver Order of Mercury Recipient, 2014

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