



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL CLIFFORD ZDANOWICZ JR.

Col. Clifford Zdanowicz Jr. is the commander and chief dentist of the 512th Aerospace Medicine Squadron, 512th Airlift Wing, an associate C-5 and C-17 Air Force Reserve unit located at Dover Air Force Base, Del.

The colonel was commissioned as a U.S. Navy ensign while in dental school in January 1990. He was then assigned as a general dentist at the Naval Dental Station, Parris Island, S.C. After 13 years of active duty in the Navy, he resigned his commission in September 2003. In 2004, he was commissioned in the Air Force Reserve and joined the 512th AMDS as a general dentist and became chief dentist in 2008. Colonel Zdanowicz is a member of the American Dental Association and the American Academy of Periodontology

EDUCATION

1984 Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry, Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa.

1990 Doctor of Dental Surgery, Columbia University School of Dental and Oral Surgery, New York, N.Y.

1990 Indoctrination School, Naval Education and Training Center, Newport, R.I.

2000 Certificate in Periodontics, National Naval Dental Center, Bethesda, Md.

2001 Diplomat, American Board of Periodontology



ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1990 – November 1990, Indoctrination School, Naval Education and Training Center, Newport, R.I.

2. November 1990 – July 1991, General Dentist, Naval Dental Station, Parris Island, S.C.

3. August 1991 – August 1992, General Dentist, 3rd Marines Battalion, Camp Schwab, Okinawa, Japan

4. August 1992 – July 1995, General Dentist, Aircraft Carrier 7th Fleet USS Independence, Yokosuka, Japan

5. July 1995 – July 1997, General Dentist, National Naval Dental Center, Washington, D.C.

6. July 1997 – June 2000, Resident, National Naval Dental Center, Naval Post-Graduate Dental School, Bethesda, Md.

7. June 2000 – September 2003, Chief Periodontist and Command Consultant, Naval Dental Center Northeast, Newport, R.I.

8. November 2004 – December 2011, Chief Dentist, 512th AMDS, Dover AFB, Del.

9. December 2011 – Present, Commander, 512th AMDS, Dover AFB, Del.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Navy Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

Navy Achievement Medal

Meritorious Unit Award

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with oak leaf cluster

Navy Meritorious Unit Award with device

National Defense Service Medal with device

Southwest Asia Service Medal with device
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Sea Service Deployment Ribbon with two devices
Air Force Longevity Service with two devices

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTIONS

Ensign January 1990
Lieutenant May 1990
Major May 1997
Lieutenant Colonel September 2002
Colonel April 2010

(Current as of January 2014)