



NATIONAL MONTFORD POINT MARINE ASSOCIATION, INC.
17TH PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENT



James T. Averhart, Jr., PhD
CWO4 USMC

Dr. James T. Averhart, Jr., was born on March 14, 1968 and is a native of Mobile, AL. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps delayed entry program in January 1987 and was shipped to recruit training in August 1987 at Parris Island, SC. Dr. Averhart has held numerous technical billets throughout his 28 years of active military service, including a special duty assignment tour on Drill Instructor Duty at Parris Island, SC from 1997-1999 and was selected for promotion to Warrant Officer. Dr. Averhart still serves on active duty and was promoted to his current rank of CWO4 on June 1, 2007.

Chief Warrant Officer Four Averhart, Military Occupational Specialty is (5804) Military Police and Correction Officer. As the subject matter technical expert, he has served as the Corrections MOS Occupational Field Sponsor, Operation Officer (S-3) Security Battalion, MCB Quantico, Commanding Officer for Camp Lejeune and Quantico Base Brigs, Marine Detachment Commander/Brig Operations Officer at the Naval Brig, Norfolk and Naval Consolidated Brig Chesapeake, VA. CWO4 Averhart executed permanent change of station orders on 17 January 2014, and assumed duties at HQMC, Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Equal Opportunity and Diversity Management Branch, (MPE) Quantico, Virginia as the Marine Corps Leadership Seminar, Operation Officer and Action Officer.

CWO4 Averhart's personal decorations include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (w/Four Gold stars in lieu of fifth award), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, (w/Gold star in lieu of third award), Combat Action Ribbon, Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal (w/three Bronze stars), and the Marine Corps Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal (w/ Gold star in lieu of second award).

Dr. Averhart served as the 17th National President of the National Montford Point Marine Association, Inc. (NMPMA) from July 25, 2009 to August 15, 2015. As an active member, Dr. Averhart was the first active duty Marine to be elected to serve as National President of the 501c (3) non-profit veterans organization and currently oversee 42 active chapters nationwide to include all NMPMA assets. Dr. Averhart held the following NMPMA leadership positions: (1) Senior/Southern Regional Vice President (overseeing 16 local chapters in the Southern Region); (2) Founder and first Chapter President for NMPMA Quantico Chapter #32; (3) Board of Directors member for Montford Point Marine National Museum; (4) Board of Directors member for NMPMA Camp Lejeune Chapter #10 and served as the Historian for NMPMA Quantico Chapter # 32 and Tidewater Chapter #14.

Dr. Averhart is an assistant pastor in his church, active member in his community, and other national organizations to include the American Corrections Association, National Naval Officers Association, Blacks in Government, National Association of Black Law Enforcement Executives, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Marine Corps Council, Marine Corps Association, Marine Corps League, Veterans of Foreign Wars, National Association of Black Veterans, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., and Listening Group Member of the White House Task Force on 21st Century Policing, Criminal Justice, and Strategies.

Dr. James T. Averhart, Jr. has pursued his educational goals while serving on active duty and attained a Master of Arts Degree in Security Management from the American Military University and a Doctorate Degree in Theology and Biblical Studies from the North Carolina College of Theology. He is a graduate of the U.S. Army Airborne School, Non-Lethal Weapons Instructor Course, and Hostage Negotiation School.