

MAJOR GENERAL JON A. JENSEN



The Adjutant General, Minnesota

Major General Jon A. Jensen assumed duties as the Adjutant General of the Minnesota National Guard on November 1, 2017.

MG Jensen earned his commission in 1989 from the United States Army Officer Candidate School, Fort Benning, Georgia. Upon commissioning, he served in a variety of command and staff positions in both the Iowa and Minnesota Army National Guard. He has commanded at all levels of the 34th Red Bull Infantry Division including the 2nd Battalion, 135th Infantry, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team and his most recent assignment as Commanding General of the 34th Infantry Division. MG Jensen has also served as Deputy Commanding General, United States Army Africa and Southern European Task Force, Minnesota National Guard Director of the Joint Staff and Assistant Adjutant

General – Army. MG Jensen has deployed in support of Operation Desert Spring (Kuwait), Operation Joint Forge (Bosnia-Herzegovina) and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

EDUCATION:

1986 Northwest Missouri State University, Bachelor of Science, Finance/Business Economics, Maryville, Missouri

2002 Command and General Staff College, Master of Military Arts and Science, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

2009 United States Army War College, Master of Science, Strategic Studies, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. August 1989 – December 1989, Student, Infantry Basic Course, Fort Benning, Georgia
2. December 1989 – September 1990, Rifle Platoon Leader, Company B, 1st Battalion, 168th Infantry, Glenwood, Iowa
3. October 1990 – December 1990, Scout Platoon Leader, Combat Service Company, 1st Battalion, 168th Infantry, Council Bluffs, Iowa
4. December 1990 – December 1993, Commander, Company B, 1st Battalion, 168th Infantry, Glenwood, Iowa
5. January 1994 – December 1995, Commander, Company D, 1st Battalion, 168th Infantry, Council Bluffs, Iowa
6. January 1995 – June 1995, S1, 1st Battalion, 168th Infantry, Council Bluffs, Iowa
7. June 1995 – August 1995, Student, Infantry Advanced Course, Fort Benning, Georgia
8. August 1995 – January 1998, S3 Air, 1st Battalion, 168th Infantry, Council Bluffs, Iowa
9. February 1998 – June 2000, S3, 1st Battalion, 168th Infantry, Council Bluffs, Iowa

10. July 2000 – December 2000, Student, Command General Staff Officer Course, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas
11. January 2001 – June 2001, Security Force Commander, 1st Battalion, 168th Infantry, OPERATION DESERT SPRING, Camp Doha, Kuwait
12. June 2001 – May 2001, Student, School of Advanced Military Studies, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas
13. May 2002 – November 2002, Plans Officer, Headquarters, 34th Infantry Division, Rosemount, Minnesota
14. December 2002 – December 2004, G3 Plans/Exercise Chief, Headquarters, 34th Infantry Division, Rosemount, Minnesota and OPERATION JOINT FORGE, Tuzla, Bosnia-Herzegovina
15. January 2005 – June 2005, Plans Chief, JFHQ-MN, St. Paul, Minnesota
16. July 2005 – January 2007, Commander, 2nd Battalion, 135th Infantry, Mankato, Minnesota
17. January 2007 – May 2007, Commander, HHC Forward, 1/34th Brigade Combat Team, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Talil Iraq
18. May 2007 – September 2007, Executive Officer, JFHQ-MN, St. Paul, Minnesota
19. September 2007 – May 2008, Executive Officer, HHC, 1/34th Brigade Combat Team, Bloomington, Minnesota
20. May 2008 – November 2010, Assistant Chief of Staff, G3, 34th Infantry Division, Rosemount, Minnesota and OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Basra, Iraq
21. November 2010 – July 2011, Chief of Staff, 34th Infantry Division, Rosemount, Minnesota
22. July 2011 – July 2012, Joint Chief of Staff, JFHQ-MN, St. Paul, Minnesota
23. July 2012 – May 2014, Commander, 1/34th Armored Brigade Combat Team, Bloomington, Minnesota; dual-hatted December 2013 – May 2014, Director of the Joint Staff, Joint Force Headquarters, St. Paul, Minnesota
24. May 2014 – November 2014, Director of the Joint Staff, Joint Force Headquarters, St. Paul, Minnesota
25. November 2014 – September 2015, Assistant Adjutant General – Army, Joint Force Headquarters, St. Paul, Minnesota
26. September 2015 – January 2017, Director, Joint Staff – (MN) Joint Force Headquarters, St. Paul, Minnesota
27. October 2015 – March 2017, Deputy Commander and Army Reserve Component Integration Advisor, United States Army Africa and Southern European Task Force, United States Africa Command, Vicenza, Italy
28. January 2017 – October 31, 2017, Commanding General, 34th Infantry Division, Rosemount, Minnesota

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)

Bronze Star

Meritorious Service Medal (With 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Army Commendation Medal (with 4 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Army Achievement Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (with Silver Oak Leaf Cluster)

Army Meritorious Unit Commendation (with Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)

National Defense Service Medal (with 1 Bronze Service Star)

Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (with Bronze Service Star)

Iraqi Campaign Medal (with 2 Bronze Service Stars)

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Humanitarian Service Medal

Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Silver Hourglass, "M" Device, and Numeral 3)
Noncommissioned Officers Professional Development Ribbon
Army Service Ribbon
Overseas Service Ribbon (with Numeral 2)
Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon (with Numeral 3)
NATO Medal (Non Article 5)

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTIONS:

Second Lieutenant ARNG 22 August 1989
First Lieutenant ARNG 21 August 1992
Captain ARNG 15 October 1993
Major ARNG 24 June 1998
Lieutenant Colonel ARNG 7 April 2005
Colonel ARNG 8 December 2008
Brigadier General ARNG 13 November 2014
Major General ARNG 27 June 2017

(Current as of November 2017)