

## **MAJOR GENERAL ROBERT E. LIVINGSTON, JR.**



### **The Adjutant General South Carolina National Guard**

Major General Robert E. Livingston, Jr. serves as the head of the Military Department of the state of South Carolina. He administers the affairs of the South Carolina Army and Air National Guard, the Emergency Management Division, the State Guard, and the Youth ChalleNGe Academy. The Governor, by law, is the Commander-in-Chief. The Adjutant General is a Constitutional Officer and has the rank of Major General (MG).

MG Livingston's military service began when he enlisted in the South Carolina Army National Guard in March 1978. His military education started with his completion of the U.S. Army Infantry School in 1978, followed by Airborne School in 1979. He was commissioned through the Palmetto Military Academy, Officer Candidate School in 1980 as the Distinguished Honor Graduate. MG Livingston commanded Task Force 218 in support of Operation Noble Eagle from June 2004 to January 2005. From May 2007 to April 2008, he commanded Combined Joint Task Force Phoenix (VI) in Afghanistan where he was responsible for the training, mentoring, and advising of the Afghan National Security Forces. His next assignment was Director for Strategic Plans and Policy (J5), National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia. His last assignment was as Director, J5 Coalition Coordination Center, United States Central Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida where he was responsible for facilitating the exchange between the Command Staff for the United States Central Command and Military Senior National Representatives from over 60 countries. He was also charged with providing deployment support for Coalition Countries within the United States Central Command Area of Responsibility. Since January 2011, MG Livingston has served as The Adjutant General of South Carolina and serves as the last elected Adjutant General for the state of South Carolina.

In 2009, MG Livingston was presented the Sergeant William Jasper Freedom Award for his leadership and in December of 2016, he was presented the Order of the Palmetto, the highest civilian honor in the state. MG Livingston is married to Barbara Flora Livingston and they have four children, and five grandchildren.

Livingston is President, Chief Executive Officer, and Owner of Gregory Electric Company, Incorporated, headquartered in Columbia, South Carolina. Gregory Electric Company is a provider of complete commercial and industrial electrical, utility and telecommunications services with operations in nine states.

## **EDUCATION**

- 1978 Hampden-Sydney College, Bachelor of Science, Chemistry, Hampden-Sydney, Virginia
- 1980 Georgia Institute of Technology, Bachelor of Electrical Engineering, Atlanta, Georgia
- 1981 Georgia Institute of Technology, Master of Science, Electrical Engineering, Atlanta, Georgia
- 1988 University of South Carolina, Master of Business Administration, Columbia, South Carolina
- 2001 United States Army War College, Master of Science Degree, Strategic Studies, Carlisle, Pennsylvania

## **AWARDS & DECORATIONS**

Defense Superior Service Medal  
Legion of Merit  
Bronze Star Medal  
Meritorious Service Medal (with 4 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
Army Commendation Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
Army Achievement Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (with 1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster and 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)  
National Defense Service Medal (with Bronze Service Star)  
Afghanistan Campaign Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal  
Overseas Service Ribbon  
Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Gold Hourglass Device and M Device)  
North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Medal  
Army Service Ribbon  
Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon  
French Silver and Gold DeFleury National Defense Medal  
Colombian Air Force Cross of Aeronautical Merit, Grand Cross Category  
Colombian Medalla Militar "Fe el La Causa"  
Romanian Silver DeFleury Medal  
Combat Action Badge  
Parachutist Badge  
Army Staff Identification Badge (ASIB)  
Joint Meritorious Unit Award  
Army Superior Unit Award  
South Carolina Governor's Unit Citation

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. June 1980 - February 1981, Platoon Leader, Company A, 4th Battalion, 118th Infantry, Winnsboro, South Carolina
2. February 1981 - November 1984, Scout Platoon Leader, Combat Support Company, 4th Battalion, 118th Infantry, Woodruff, South Carolina
3. November 1984 - February 1986, Assistant Engineer Officer, 251st Rear Area

- Operations Center, Columbia, South Carolina
4. February 1986 - July 1986, Executive Officer, Company D, 122nd Engineer Battalion, Batesburg, South Carolina
  5. July 1986 - July 1990, Commander, Company A, 122nd Engineer Battalion, McCormick, South Carolina
  6. July 1990 - September 1993, Commander, 125th Engineer Company, Bishopville, South Carolina
  7. September 1993 - March 1997, S3, 178th Engineer Battalion, 218th Infantry Brigade, Rock Hill, South Carolina
  8. March 1997 - February 2001, Commander, 178th Engineer Battalion, 218th Infantry Brigade, Rock Hill, South Carolina
  9. February 2001 - July 2001, Executive Officer, 59th Troop Command, West Columbia, South Carolina
  10. July 2001 - July 2002, Commander, 122nd Engineer Battalion, Edgefield, South Carolina
  11. July 2002 - April 2004, Director of Training, Plans, Operations & Training Division, State Area Command, South Carolina Army National Guard, Columbia, South Carolina
  12. April 2004 - June 2004, Deputy Commander, 218th Infantry Brigade (Separate), Newberry, South Carolina
  13. June 2004 - January 2005, Commander, Task Force 218, Fort Jackson, South Carolina
  14. January 2005 - October 2005, Deputy Commander, 218th Infantry Brigade (Separate), Newberry, South Carolina
  15. October 2005 - May 2007, Commander, 218th Infantry Brigade (Separate), Newberry, South Carolina
  16. May 2007 - April 2008, Commander, Combined Joint Task Force Phoenix (VI), Kabul, Afghanistan
  17. April 2008 - August 2008, Commander, 218th Infantry Brigade (Separate), Newberry, South Carolina
  18. August 2008 - December 2008, Director of Strategic Plans and Policy (J5), National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia
  19. January 2009 - November 2009, Director, J5 Coalition Coordination Center, United States Central Command, MacDill Airforce Base, Florida
  20. December 2009 - January 2011, Deputy Director, J5, United States Central Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida
  21. January 2011 - Present, The Adjutant General- South Carolina National Guard, Joint Force Headquarters, Columbia, SC

#### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS**

Past President Army Engineer Association of South Carolina  
Army Engineer Association of the United States  
National Guard Association of the United States  
Past Board of Director's Member and Small Business Task Force Chairman for the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce  
United States Chamber of Commerce

Association of General Contractors  
Associated Builders and Contractors  
Governor's Task Force on School to Work  
Past President of Capital Rotary Club  
Armed Reserve Forces Policy Committee  
National Guard Innovation Team  
Member of Mount Tabor Lutheran Church, West Columbia, South Carolina

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:**

Second Lieutenant, 27 June 1980  
First Lieutenant, 26 June 1983  
Captain, 23 October 1986  
Major, 15 September 1993  
Lieutenant Colonel, 22 December 1997  
Colonel, 2 July 2002  
Brigadier General, 14 November 2005  
Major General, 28 January 2009