Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Security Force Battalion, Bangor

LIEUTENANT COLONEL CHRISTOPHER ESREY

LtCol Esrey is from Havelock, North Carolina. Following graduation from The Basic School and Infantry Officer Course, he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 6th Marines from 2003-2006. As a member of V26, he completed three deployments to Okinawa (UDP), Afghanistan, and Iraq where he served as a rifle platoon commander, company executive officer, and assistant operations officer.

In 2006 LtCol Esrey was transferred to 3d Recruit Training Battalion at Parris Island where he was a Series Commander in Co K and Company Commander Co M, completing nine training cycles. In early 2009 he attended Maneuver Captain's Career Course at Fort Benning, Ga and upon graduation, received orders to 3d Battalion, 5th Marines.

In 2009, LtCol Esrey took command of Co I and led the company through its deployment to Sangin, Afghanistan. Upon returning from deployment in 2011, LtCol Esrey was assigned as the Battalion Operations Officer in preparation for their deployment with the 15th MEU.

In June 2012, LtCol Esrey assumed command of Recruiting Station San Francisco. Following his tour on recruiting duty, LtCol Esrey attended Marine Corps Command and Staff College and graduated in 2016.

LtCol Esrey reported for duty as the executive officer for 2d Battalion, 3d Marines MCB Kaneohe Hawaii in July 2016 where he deployed with the battalion to Okinawa on the Unit Deployment Program. Upon return from deployment, LtCol Esrey was assigned to Marine Corps Forces Pacific as the Assistant Branch Head for Expeditionary Operations.

Currently, LtCol Esrey is the executive officer for 9th Marine Corps District and has held the billet since June 2018.