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MAJOR GENERAL JANSON D. BOYLES

Maj. Gen. Janson D. Boyles was appointed the Adjutant General of Mississippi by Gov. Phil Bryant, Sept. 1, 2016. Serving as the commanding general of both the Mississippi Army and Air National Guard, Boyles was reappointed Adjutant General of Mississippi, Jan. 14, 2020, by Gov. Tate Reeves. During his

time as Adjutant General, he was responsible for providing the state of Mississippi and the nation with a ready force of more than 12,500 Citizen Soldiers and Airmen equipped and trained to respond to any contingency, natural or man-made.

Boyles was commissioned in 1982 through the ROTC program at Mississippi State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering. Initially commissioned in the Army Medical Department of the U. S. Army, he later re-commissioned as an officer in the U. S. Army Engineer Corps. As the 168th Engineer Group deputy commander in 2005, Boyles staffed the engineering response to Hurricane Katrina in Mississippi. In 2008, he deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom as the deputy commander of the renamed 168th Engineer Brigade, supporting the 101st and 82nd Airborne Divisions. In 2012, Boyles was promoted to brigadier general and assigned as commander, 184th Sustainment Command, overseeing missions ranging from state disaster relief to federal combat rotations. In 2015, he served as the chief of staff for NATO at their Division Headquarters in Kosovo.

Boyles is a native of Jackson, Mississippi, where he is a career insurance agent. He is a member of the Chartered Property Casualty Underwriters and is the former president of the Mississippi State University Alumni Association. He is also a vested member of the National Guard Association of the United States, where he served on the board as the area IV TAG Representative from 2019 to 2021. He then served as board chairman of the National Guard Association of the United States from 2021 to 2024.

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To the men and women of the Mississippi National Guard

It has been the honor of a lifetime to have served as your Adjutant General. Robin and I have truly been blessed serving among men and women who wear our nation's cloth and your families.

I will always be grateful to my father, who raised his right hand at the age of 17 to serve in WWII and in 1980, administered to me the oath to support and defend our Constitution. Like many of you, my career would not have been possible without the incredible support and encouragement of Robin, my wife of 35 years, and my two sons, Gray and Connor, who may not have understood why I was missing the important events in their lives but who through their acceptance and endurance also served our nation.

The Mississippi National Guard legacy is well known at every level of our national defense. You never missed a training opportunity or a deployment in support of our combatant commanders. You never missed a call to respond to our communities in need. You never wavered in your commitment to our international, national, and state partners, and you continue to strengthen those relationships. You set an example for the rest of the nation during the COVID pandemic, and you provided air defense support and responded to protests in our nation's capital. You provided support to our national border and cleared away debris and offered food, water and hope in the aftermath of natural and man-made disasters.

A testament to Mississippi's heritage where we find and forge great soldiers, airmen and leaders.

I am humbled to have shared your company.

We will always be the state that inspires young men and women to raise their right hand and promise to support and defend our Constitution with our lives; and, many times, as the children of our fathers, mothers, uncles, aunts and grandparents who did the same.

In this oath to our Constitution, we have not, cannot, and will not fail.

We will keep our promise to Mississippi.

We will keep our promise to America.

May God bless you and your families.

Shoulder to Shoulder.

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