

## WO P.A. LONGMIRE, CD



After more than 15 years of loyal and dedicated service, WO Patrick Longmire, CD, retired from the CAF on 14 April 2021. His CFTPO tasks and deployments included the Provincial Reconstruction Team in Kandahar, Operational Support Hub Jamaica, OP Impact, Beijing, Belize, and Northern FOL Surveys.

WO Longmire joined the Canadian Forces in 2005 and would spend the next three years with 4 Engineer Support Regiment (4ESR) at CFB Gagetown. While with 4ESR, he completed QL3 and QL5 Construction Technician trades training and served with the Construction Troop on various local community projects.

In 2009, he was posted to 1 Engineer Support Unit (1ESU) in Moncton to support the 3 Specialist Engineering Team (3SET) as a draftsman/surveyor. He was quick to understand and accept the survey tasks of the Section, which would see him deploy to Afghanistan for seven months to complete force protection and road designs. Many of the surveying techniques he used in theatre would eventually be incorporated into SOPs for the new Drafting and Surveying (DS) trade. When 1ESU moved in 2014, WO Longmire and his wife, Jackie, relocated from Moncton to CFB Kingston.

Still with 1ESU in Kingston, WO Longmire assisted with the establishment of the DS trade and became the Senior Trade Advisor. He would go on to complete the Terrestrial Survey course, earning the Top Candidate award. After completing the course, he was promoted to Sgt and became 2IC of the DS Troop. During his time as 2IC, he oversaw surveys in Wainwright, South Dakota, Rankin Inlet, and Belize and provided training to new DS members.

In 2016, WO Longmire was posted to CFSME as the DS Cell Commander, responsible for creating and implementing the new DS Technician trades training. After promotion to WO, he became the Production Flight WO. Finally, he served as the Ops WO for the Construction Engineering Training Squadron, which would complete his time with the Royal Canadian Engineers.

Following retirement from the CAF, WO Longmire and his wife, Jackie, remained in the Oromocto area. Patrick is now working as a DS instructor at CFSME and will continue supporting and developing the Drafting and Surveying trade for years to come.

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