First Sergeant Jerry R. Duncan

Director, Twentynine Palms SNCOA

First Sergeant Duncan enlisted in the Marine Corps as a Private in February 2001. Following Recruit Training and Marine Combat Training, he attended MOS school in Pensacola, Florida for Intermediate Level Aviation Technician, and was promoted to the rank of Private First Class.

Private First Class Duncan then received orders to Cherry Point, North Carolina where he received additional training on the Navigation Systems of both fixed and rotary wing aircraft. In April 2002, he as promoted to the rank of Lance Corporal and received orders to Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron (MALS) 16, in Miramar, California.

Lance Corporal Duncan was assigned to the Navigation and Communications work center as a technician. In May 2003, he was deployed to Okinawa, Japan and attached to MALS-36.

In February 2004, Lance Corporal Duncan deployed to Al Asad, Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom II. He was attached to 3d LAAD as a sentry post in support of both perimeter and convoy security. In April 2004, he was promoted to the rank of Corporal.

In May 2006, Corporal Duncan was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and received orders to MALS-41 in Fort Worth, Texas. During this tour of duty, he served as the section SNCOIC, and was promoted to the rank of Staff Sergeant in August 2008.

In July 2010, Staff Sergeant Duncan attended Drill Instructor School, Class 4-10, at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego. Upon completion of Drill Instructor School, he was assigned to Company A, First Recruit Training Battalion, where he served as a Drill Instructor, Experienced Drill Instructor, and Senior Drill Instructor.

In November 2013, Staff Sergeant Duncan received orders to MALS-29 in Jacksonville, North Carolina where he served as the SNCOIC of the Navigation and Communications work center. In December 2014, Staff Sergeant Duncan deployed on the 24th MEU, and served as the Aviation Detachment SNCOIC.

In July 2015, Staff Sergeant Duncan was promoted to the rank of Gunnery Sergeant and received orders to MALS-26. While assigned, he served as the Assistant Avionics Chief and Squadron Gunnery Sergeant.

In July 2017, Gunnery Sergeant Duncan received orders to Drill Instructor School, MCRD Parris Island. Gunnery Sergeant Duncan served as the inaugural male Chief Drill Instructor in 4th Battalion and also as a Company First Sergeant.

In August 2019, Gunnery Sergeant Duncan was promoted to his current rank and received orders to 3d Battalion, 7th Marines, where he served as the Company First Sergeant for both Company K and Headquarters and Service Company.

In September 2021, First Sergeant Duncan assumed the duty as Director of the Staff Noncommissioned Officer Academy, MCAGCC Twentynine Palms, California.

First Sergeant Duncan is married to his wife, Amanda, and they have two children, Lucas and Lauren

First Sergent Duncan's personal decorations include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with one gold star in lieu of second award and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with two gold stars in lieu