

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Samuel M. Austin

CWO2 "Stone Cold" Austin is originally from Dorris, CA, and enlisted in the Marine Corps in RS Portland in 2010.

He attended the following military service schools: Recruit Training, MCRD San Diego, 2010; Special Communications Signals Collections Operator (2651) in 2010; LAV Crewman Course, 2011; Marine Analyst and Reporting Course (MARC) - honor graduate, 2015; Basic Officer Course 2020.

From January 2022 through December 2022, CWO2 Samuel Austin served as a 2602 Signals Intelligence/Electromagnetic Warfare/Cyberspace Operations Warrant Officer and as the System Integration Management Officer (SIMO) for 3d Radio Battalion, III MEF Information Group (III MIG). The SIMO is responsible for the acquisition, integration, maintenance, training, and tactical employment of all technical information equipment within the unit.

During this period, CWO2 Austin displayed a seldom-matched ability to identify problems and combine his knowledge with the Marines around him to find creative solutions. He is the epitome of a true subject matter expert (SME) and serves as a key advisor to the Bn Commander during his engagements with General Officers and policymakers. The Marine Corps DIRINT recently remarked that what CWO2 and his team of Marines have accomplished in the past year is exactly the innovation, creativity and forward-thinking the Corps needs in its technical leadership at the forward edge.

