

Gunnery Sergeant Colin G. Baird

GySgt Baird graduated from Valley Forge Military Academy, Wayne, PA (2004) .

He attended the following military service schools: Basic Training (2008); School of Infantry, Infantry Rifleman (2008); Security Forces (2008); Leading Marines (2009); Basic Geographic Intelligence Specialist (2013); Sergeants Course (2016); SNCO Career Course (2017); Basic Recruiter School (2018); SNCO Advanced Course (2022).

Throughout this last year, Gunnery Sergeant Baird's efforts were crucial in the planning and execution of the 1st Intelligence Battalion reorganization while serving as the Geospatial Intelligence (GEOINT) Chief and subject matter expert. His ability to create a modernized GEOINT section allowed for the 1st Intelligence Battalion to provide crucial GEOINT support through advanced software processes and data ingestion policies to I Marine Expeditionary Force (MEF) G2, Joint Intelligence Operating Centers, USINDOPACOM leadership, and USCENTCOM. Additionally, his leadership, training, and support to the GEOINT section allowed him to create ten highly effective GEOINT support teams that deployed to four continents in support of USINDOPACOM, USCENTCOM, Combined Joint Task Force Operation Inherent Resolve, I MEF Force Reconnaissance rotations, and Pacific Fleet Command, answering intelligence requirements by way of hundreds of custom tailored GEOINT products and daily intelligence requirements used to reduce commander's uncertainty within their Areas of Operations (AOR).

