

Lieutenant Colonel Jordan Barnett received a commission as a 2d Lieutenant in 2004 following his graduation from The Citadel with Bachelor of Arts degrees in History and Criminal Justice. He completed The Basic School aboard Marine Corps Base Quantico, Virginia, and Field Artillery Basic Officer Leader Course aboard Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and reported to 3d Battalion, 11th Marine Regiment aboard Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, California.

While assigned to 3d Battalion, 11th Marines, Lieutenant Barnett served as a forward observer with Battery M, and as the battalion Assistant Operations Officer and Fire Direction Officer following his promotion to captain. Captain Barnett deployed with 1st Battalion, 7th Marine Regiment during Operation Iraqi Freedom 09.1. Upon return, he received orders to Field Artillery Captain's Career Course aboard Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

After completing Field Artillery Captain's Career Course, Captain Barnett reported to 5th Battalion, 11th Marine Regiment to serve as the Assistant Operations Officer. He then deployed as the Operations Advisor to the Operational Coordination Center – Region for the southwest region area of operations in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Following the deployment, Captain Barnett enjoyed the distinct pleasure of commanding Headquarters Battery, 5th Battalion, 11th Marines.

Captain Barnett then reported for service as the Target Information Officer and Current Operations Officer for the 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit. This tour included a deployment in support of security cooperation and other strategic initiatives in the Western Pacific, as well as support to the initial stages of Operation Inherent Resolve.

Once returned, Captain Barnett left the active component and supervised the production of hollow metal doors and frames in Fontana, California, for a year before beginning law school at the University of Minnesota. The following year, he received a promotion to major, began studying at the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota, and started Command and Staff College as a member of the reserve component. He received his Juris Doctor and Master of Business Administration in 2020 and worked in various levels of NCAA compliance at California State University – Long Beach, the University of Minnesota, and the University of California – San Diego before returning to The Citadel in November 2022.

Major Barnett completed Command and Staff College in 2019 and reported for duty as a Field Artillery Headquarters Team Leader with 14th Marine Regiment. Two years later, he joined 2d Battalion, 14th Marines for service as the battalion executive officer. Currently, he is a Fires Planner with the Fires and Effects Coordination Center for I Marine Expeditionary Force. He received promotion to his current rank in July 2023.

Lieutenant Colonel Barnett's personal awards include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with gold star in lieu of second award, and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with gold star in lieu of second award. He resides in Charleston with his wife, Catherine, their dog, Frankie, and their cat, Poppy.