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Originally, from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Jason Bortz enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in June 1992. During his 20-year career, he completed two deployments with the 22<sup>nd</sup> Marine Expeditionary Unit that included operations in Somalia and Bosnia and served as the Public Affairs Chief for 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division where he deployed to Iraq for 13 months with the 5<sup>th</sup> Marine Regiment.



As a Public Affairs Marine, Bortz also served in Okinawa, Japan; Recruiting Station Houston, Texas; and Parris Island, South Carolina, 12<sup>th</sup> Marine Corps Recruiting District and Marine Corps Recruiting Command before retiring as Master Sergeant in 2012.

Following his Marine Corps career, Bortz served as the Communications Manager for the Defense Threat Reduction Agency, Chemical and Biological Directorate, before accepting the position of Public Affairs Officer for Naval Hospital Pensacola, Florida, in 2013. In 2019, he transitioned to be the Public Affairs Officer for Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola. He was the Public Affairs Officer at NAS Pensacola during the terrorist attack on Dec. 6, 2019, and Hurricane Sally in September 2020.

Bortz holds a Bachelor's of Science in Business Administration and a Master of Business Administration with an emphasis in Marketing from Columbia Southern University. He is married to Angela Bortz and they have four amazing dogs they rescued.