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## More Gold for MTA's Rivers Jacques

(Nov. 20, 2002) The gold stripes and chevrons on the sleeves of Army Reserve Sergeant Major Rivers Jacques' uniform may dazzle the eye, but they also signify that the MTA veteran has achieved the Army's highest enlisted rank.

Jacques, 42, an MTA Transit Security lieutenant with 10 years' seniority, also has 24 years' service in the Army and Army Reserve. During eight years on active duty, Jacques served in the U.S., Germany and Korea as a helicopter and tank mechanic.

Promoted recently to staff sergeant major, he is now awaiting assignment as a "command sergeant major." In that post he will be the senior representative of all the enlisted members of a large Army Reserve unit – an intermediary between the unit commanding officer and the troops.

Currently, he is the operations sergeant major of an equipment readiness unit located at the West Los Angeles Army Reserve Center. His group supports the 1st Army Corps of Ft. Lewis, Wash., with supplies and repair parts for helicopters, electronic and ground equipment.

Jacques and his wife, Wendy, a records technician with the Inglewood Police Department, live in Altadena with their dog, Blizzard.



At MTA, Rivers Jacques is a Transit Security lieutenant.

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