



Chief Warrant Officer Two (Ret) Thomas R. Presley
Year of Induction: 2018
Served: 1959–1980

Chief, Drug Suppression Team, Fort Bliss District, 6th Region, Fort Bliss, TX (1977-1980)

Special Agent – Level 1 Covert, HQs, 2nd Region, Seckenheim, Germany (1977-1979)

Chief, Drug Suppression Team/Assistant Operations Officer/Chief of Investigative Support, Fort Bliss District, 6th Region, Fort Bliss, TX (1974-1977)

Special Agent and – Level 1 Drugs, Mannheim Field Office/HQs 2nd Region, Mannheim, Germany (1972-1974)

Special Agent, Detachment E, 9th MP Group, Augsburg, Germany (1970–1972)

Criminal Investigator, Detachment C, 3rd MP Group, Fort Campbell, KY (1969–1970)

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Received the Soldier's Medal for valorous actions on 17 May 1967, while serving in the Republic of Vietnam. He was seriously wounded while removing Soldiers from a burning armored personnel carrier that had detonated an enemy mine, exploded the fuel tanks and turned the carrier over.

A relentless investigator who developed information in an ID Card Section break-in that many months later would crack a Germany-wide forgery and worthless check scheme; four Soldiers were apprehended and received lengthy prison terms.

Extraordinary achievements in covert operations (Level 1) were the cornerstone of the drug suppression program in Europe, resulting in the arrest of 60 major drug traffickers, the seizure of more than 108 kilograms of hashish and 3 kilograms of high grade heroin, with a total street value of more than \$1,000,000.

During his tenure as the Drug Team Chief of the Fort Bliss CID Field Office, he successfully identified 108 drug traffickers resulting in 26 General Court Martials and 52 Special Court Martials. Eighty percent of all General and BCD Special Court Martials held at Fort Bliss were a result of CW2 Presley's successful drug investigations.