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Alaska State Trooper since 2012
U.S. Army Reserves (2006-2012)

Canines have been a part of Wolff’s working life even before he became a Trooper. Wolff, who now works with a dual certified Trooper canine Scout in Soldotna, previously served with two other dogs while deployed as a military policeman in the Army Reserves and then as a civilian contractor in Afghanistan. Wolff served as military policeman with the 79th MP Company in Rochester, Minn. During that time he served in Central America in support of Operation New Horizons, a series of recurring U.S.-led operations in Central and South America and the Caribbean Islands. He was stationed in Honduras and provided security to engineering missions. He was also deployed to Iraq in 2009 as part of a pilot program to utilize combat tracking dogs to locate persons of interest and high value targets in and around the Baghdad area. There he was teamed up with Kargo, a 2-year-old German Shepherd. At the time, he was attached to the 1st Cavalry Division and later the 1st Armored Division, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. After completion of the program, he continued his work in Afghanistan as a civilian with an explosives detection dog in support of Operation Enduring Freedom providing force protection in the Kandahar Providence – this time with Rocky, a 3-year-old Belgian Malinois.



JIM ELLISON

Alaska State Trooper since 2009
U.S. Army active duty, Guard and Reserves 1983-1996

When Ellison first joined the U.S. Army in 1983, the public’s Viet-
nam-era sentiment toward military troopers still lingered. “Many people
hated us,” he said. This drastically changed during the Reagan admin-
istration as the 80s progressed. He spent his first 16 weeks in the Army
training at Fort Dix, N.J. before going to Fort Gillem, Ga. where he
worked in wheeled vehicle maintenance. He transferred to the Army’s
oldest active testing facility at Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland
and transitioned into aviation maintenance. Three years into his four-
year active duty obligation, he took a hardship transfer into the Re-
serves due to an illness in the family and joined a combat engineer unit
in Grand Junction, Colo. While there, he deployed to the Middle East
for about two months in support of Desert Storm in 1991. He ended his
military career with the Colorado Army National Guard while working
full time as a game warden for the Colorado Division of Wildlife. He
was a maintenance officer for Huey, Cobra, and OH-58 Bell helicopters
while with the 1/131st Air Assault Guard Unit at the High Altitude
Aviation Training Site in Eagle, Colorado.

