

Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Deven B. King was born and raised in Rhode Island. He graduated from Portsmouth High School in May 2004 and entered the U.S. Navy, attending basic training in Great Lakes, in March 2010 as a Seaman Recruit.

King attended Mass Communication Specialist "A" School at the Defense Information School in Fort Meade, Md., graduating with distinguished honors in November 2010. His first duty assignment was with Navy Public Affairs Support Element (NPASE) East in Norfolk, Va. In April 2011, he was advanced to Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class through the accelerated advancement program.

While assigned to NPASE, King completed a seven-month deployment aboard USS Mitscher (DDG 57) and an eight-month deployment aboard USS Jason Dunham (DDG 109). He was advanced to Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class in June 2012. In January 2014, King reported to Navy Center for Service Support, Defense Information School Detachment, Fort Meade where he is currently serving as the Leading Petty Officer and Military Training Instructor. His collateral duties include serving as the Command Financial Specialist and Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Victim Advocate.

King's personal awards include the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (two awards), the Good Conduct Medal and Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist designation.