



LIEUTENANT COLONEL ERVIN B. LAWSON  
SPECIAL AIDE TO THE GENERAL COMMANDING  
PATRIARCHS MILITANT  
INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS  
HONOLULU, HAWAII

Lieutenant Colonel Lawson currently serves as the Special Aide to the General Commanding in the jurisdiction of Hawaii. He joined the Hawaii Odd Fellows in 1993. He's a member of Excelsior Lodge #1, Pacific Rebekahs Lodge #1, Polynesia Encampment Lodge #1, and the Kamehameha Lodge #1. The offices he has held include Past Noble Grand of Excelsior Lodge, Past Chief Patriarch of Polynesia Encampment Lodge, and Past Commander of Kamehameha Canton Lodge. He has held positions of Secretary, Treasurer, Warden, Vice Grand, Conductor, Junior Warden, Senior Warden, Scribe, Accountant, Ensign, and Lieutenant. He is currently the Treasurer of Encampment and Canton Lodges. He is also the Webmaster, and Information Manager for IOOF Hawaii. He represented Hawaii at the General Military Council during the Sovereign Grand Lodge Session in 2006 at Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Lieutenant Colonel Lawson was born in Spartanburg, South Carolina and lived there until joining the U.S. Marine Corps in September 1971. He retired from the Marine Corps in May 1994 after 23 years of honorable service. He came up through the ranks from Private (E-1) to Master Sergeant (E-8). His Marine Corps travels include South Carolina, two tours in North Carolina, two tours in Okinawa, Virginia, Korea, and Hawaii. He now resides in Hawaii with his wife Jeanette who he met in November 1992, and married in May 2002. After retiring from the Marine Corps Lieutenant Colonel Lawson worked at Schofield Federal Credit Union for three years, and then went to work as a Civil Servant with the Marines at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, then with the Navy at Pearl Harbor, and then with the Army at Fort Shafter. He currently works for the U.S. Coast Guard as the Webmaster for the Fourteenth Coast Guard District.

Lieutenant Colonel Lawson's decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal, and National Defense Medal. He earned the Expert Rifle Badge and the Sharpshooter Pistol Badge.