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CAPTAIN SCOTT L. JOHNSTON is a native Californian and received his bachelor's degree from the University of California at Davis and his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from the Pacific Graduate School in Palo Alto, California. He also completed a postdoctoral fellowship in pediatric psychology at Harvard Medical School. He has been a licensed clinical psychologist since 1995 and is board certified in both forensic and clinical psychology.

Johnston was commissioned in 1993. During his career he has served at Naval Medical Center San Diego (NMCS D); Naval Hospital Yokosuka, Japan; Marine Barracks Washington; Presidential Helicopter Squadron One; and Naval Health Clinic Hawaii. He deployed with the Constellation Strike Group to the Persian Gulf; 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit; Charlie Surgical Company to Fallujah, Iraq; 3rd Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment to Ramadi, Iraq; 3rd Marine Regiment to Haditha, Iraq; and Joint Task Force, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. He is currently the director for the Naval Center for Combat & Operational Stress Control in San Diego. He also serves as the specialty leader for Navy Clinical Psychology.



Academically, Johnston has published and lectured around the world on treatment of combat-related PTSD, building resilience in Marines and Sailors, and transitional interventions for returning warriors. He is currently investigating virtual reality treatments for PTSD, stress injuries in detention operations and use of meditation in substance abuse treatment.

Johnston's awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Navy Commendation Medal (two awards), Navy Achievement Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal (Fleet Marine Force), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal (Fleet Marine Force), and various service and unit awards.