# John D. Dees II

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## **Intro**

Motivated and disciplined former U.S. Army Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO) with extensive experience maintaining and leading teams in the maintenance of AH-64 Apache helicopters. Proven leadership in high-pressure environments with thousands of supervisory maintenance hours, including oversight of critical tasks such as downed aircraft recovery, scheduled and unscheduled maintenance operations, and soldier training. Recognized as Soldier of the Month twice for exemplary performance and dedication. Currently pursuing a B.S. in Aeronautics at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University while holding Level 1 & 2 Industrial Maintenance Certificates and a SACA Certification through Hopkinsville Community College. I hold an HVAC certification and a strong foundation in mechanical work from early hands-on experience repairing boats and working in fast-paced service and logistics roles at Taco Bell and Amazon. Hailing from Zephyrhills, Florida, I bring a strong work ethic, technical aptitude, and leadership experience to any team I join. Experience

## TACO BELL - CREWMEMBER - NOV 2016 THRU JUNE 2017

- Managed front-of-house operations, including customer service, order accuracy, and point-of-sale transactions in a high-volume environment
- Trained in food safety, hygiene standards, and quality assurance procedures, contributing to store compliance with health regulations
- · Handled customer concerns professionally and efficiently, ensuring satisfaction and resolving issues with minimal supervision

# AMAZON - STOWER - JUNE 2017 THRU JANUARY 2018

- · Operated handheld scanners and warehouse management systems (WMS) to document item locations and ensure data accuracy
- · Maintained a high rate of productivity and precision while working in a fast-paced, physically demanding environment
- Adhered to strict safety protocols, including proper lifting techniques, PPE usage, and safe equipment handling procedures
- · Collaborated with team members to meet fulfillment goals and support on-time shipping metrics during peak demand periods

# U.S. ARMY - 15R AH-64 APACHE MECHANIC JANUARY 2018 THRU JULY 2025

- Supervised and executed preventive and corrective maintenance on complex mechanical, hydraulic, pneumatic, and electrical systems of AH-64 Apache helicopters
- · Led and trained teams of junior soldiers in technical tasks, safety procedures, and Army/Aviation standards
- · Conducted detailed inspections, fault isolation, and component-level repair, applying transferable skills in mechanical systems used in industrial environments
- · Directed and participated in Downed Aircraft Recovery Team (DART) missions, ensuring safe recovery and transport of damaged aircraft
- Planned and coordinated maintenance schedules to minimize downtime and improve system reliability, aligning with mission-critical operations
- Mentored new soldiers on aviation maintenance procedures, professional development, and military customs and courtesies

- Experienced in inventory management, tool accountability, and documentation of maintenance actions in digital and manual recordkeeping systems
- · Recognized twice as "Soldier of the Month" for outstanding performance, leadership, and technical expertise
- · Played a key role in unit readiness exercises, logistics planning, and cross-functional team coordination

## **Education**

GED | NOV2017 | JAMES IRVIN EDUCATION CENTER, DADE CITY, FL

BS IN AERONAUTICS | CURRENT STUDENT | EMBRY-RIDDLE AERONATICAL UNIVERSITY DAYTONA, FL

INDUSTRIAL MAINTENANCE CERTIFICATE | CURRENT STUDENT | HOPKINSVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE HOPKINSVILLE, KY

# **Skills & Abilities**

- · HVAC Certified
- · Level 1+2 industrial maintenance certified
- Extensive leadership and team management skills developed as a U.S. Army Non-Commissioned Officer
- Knowledgeable in safety compliance protocols, workplace · hazard identification, and OSHA principles
- Strong mechanical aptitude with hands-on experience in hydraulic, pneumatic, and electrical systems

- Dedicated, disciplined, and dependable with a proven track record of exceeding performance standards
- Quick learner with a commitment to continuous improvement and technical skill development
- Exceptional time management, multitasking, and adaptability in high-pressure, mission-critical environments

#### **References:**

Lieutenant Chase – Platoon Leader – (808) 266-0789 Matthew Samuelson – Platoon Sergeant - (785) 341-6862 Aaron Schubert – Peer - (931) 561-8963 Carl – Civillian employee on base - (615) 804-0728

Hello.

Thank you for taking the time to review my application and for considering me as a potential addition to your exceptional team.

I'd like to take a moment to explain my current situation. As noted in my application, I am on track to graduate with my Industrial Electrician certification on July  $11^{th}$ . Until then, I'm seeking a position that can accommodate my school schedule until the completion of the program.

My current class schedule is Monday through Thursday from 8:00 AM to 2:30 PM, and Fridays until 10:30 AM. I am fully available on weekends and have some flexibility outside of class hours.

I'm eager to contribute and gain hands-on experience while finishing my program and would greatly appreciate any opportunity that aligns with this availability.

Thank you again for your time and consideration, and I truly hope to hear back.

-John