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Major Harriet J. G. Smith is the Director of Personnel and the Director of Administration for the Southwest Region of the Civil Air Patrol, which consists of the Arizona, Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas Wings. Major Smith joined CAP as a cadet in the New York Wing. She earned the Earhart Award and received a scholarship that funded training toward her private pilot's license. Her responsibilities as a CAP senior member have included Administrative Officer and Squadron Commander in the California Wing, as well as Deputy Commander for Cadets of the Enid Composite Squadron and Wing Director of Logistics in the Oklahoma Wing. While serving as the Director of Logistics in Oklahoma, she earned recognition as the Wing, Region, and National Civil Air Patrol Logistician of the year in 2006. Major Smith has a CAP Pilot Rating and is current in Emergency Services as a Mission

Observer, Mission Scanner, Logistics Section Chief, Finance/Admin Section Chief, Communications Unit Leader, Mission Staff Assistant, Mission Safety Officer, and Air Operations Branch Chief. She is Counter-Drug qualified and deployed and served as an aircrew member and staff member during Operation Gulf Watch 2008. She is qualified and has served as a controller in the Southwest Region CAP Crisis Coordination Center (C-4) in Little Rock, Arkansas. She has Master Ratings in the Personnel and Logistics Specialty Tracks, and earned the Gill Rob Wilson Award in 2007. Major Smith has a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology, specializing in early childhood development, from Russell-Sage College in Troy, New York, and has taught school in New York, California, Texas, Washington, and Oklahoma. She is married and has one daughter, who is a college student in Wichita Falls, Texas. Both her husband and daughter are CAP volunteers.