

Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Brett Cote

Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Brett Cote joined the Navy in 2002. After graduating from Journalist “A” School, he received orders to Naval Air Station Meridian, Miss., where he worked in a small public affairs office producing a bi-weekly base newspaper.

In 2005, Cote returned to the Defense Information School to attend the Video Production and Documentation course before reporting for duty at Fleet Combat Camera Group Pacific on Naval Station North Island, Calif. His combat camera tour included deployments to Iraq, Lebanon, Bahrain, and the Southern Philippines.

In 2009, MC1 attended the Advanced Military Motion Media course at Syracuse University's S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications.

After Syracuse, Cote checked on board his current command at the Defense Media Activity. Some of his writing can be seen in the online version of All Hands Magazine (www.ah.mil). Cote also maintains a blog about the video work he does as an MC (<http://milcdigital.wordpress.com>).

MC1 has been married for 13 years and is the proud father of two sons. His personal awards include the Army Commendation Medal, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Navy Achievement Medal, and the Combat Action Ribbon. He currently has orders to return to San Diego for another combat camera tour.