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Thomas J. Orzechowski was born in Jersey City, New Jersey, on March 21, 1947. He received a bachelor's degree in English literature and political science from Jersey City State College in 1969 and his master's degree in education from University of Southern California in 1981. Upon graduation from Jersey City State College, he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps. He served as an Infantry Platoon Commander with the 7th and 5th Marines in the Republic of Viet Nam (1970-1971) and as the Air Intelligence Officer for Marine Attack Squadron 224 aboard the USS Coral Sea in the Gulf of Tonkin (1971-1972). He joined the Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) in September, 1974.

As Special Agent in Charge (SAC) of the Far East Field Office located in Yokosuka, Japan, Special Agent Orzechowski is responsible for providing supervisory oversight of all NCIS criminal and counterintelligence investigations and related activities from the Island of Japan, east to India and the Eastern coast of Africa, south to the Antarctic, north to the North Pacific Ocean, and West to the Northern Marianas Islands (Guam). He supervises more than 90 special agents, intelligence operations specialists, and investigators, and approximately 36 administrative support personnel.

Since joining the NCIS, Special Agent Orzechowski has served tours of duty at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, (1974-1976); Yokosuka, Japan, (1976-1977); Special Agent Afloat, USS Midway (1977-1978); Representational Resident Agent, Misawa, Japan, (1978-1981); Assistant to the Regional Director, New Orleans (1981-1984); Head, Undercover Operations Division NCIS Headquarters (1984-1985); SAC, New Orleans (1985-1986); Assistant Regional Director (Foreign Counterintelligence), San Francisco (1986-1987); SAC, Okinawa Japan (1987-1991); Executive Assistant to the Deputy Commander, NCIS Headquarters (1991-1993); Head (Acting), Fraud Investigations Department NCIS Headquarters (1993-1994); and Assistant Special Agent In Charge (Criminal Investigations), Far East Field Office. He was appointed SAC of the Far East Field Office in December, 1995.

Special Agent Orzechowski is married to the former Julia McDonald of Jacksonville, North Carolina. They have four children, David, Sarah, Emily and Jessica.