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Sergeant First Class Mike Reese joined the Code Services Department of Manhattan, Kansas, in August 2016 as a code services officer. He is an International Code Council Certified Residential Building Inspector.

Prior to his move to Manhattan, Reese served in the United States Army. Within Special Operations, Reese was responsible for managing the logistics of his unit's deployments, which included preparing for shipment, coordinating with various customs agencies and embassies, making travel arrangements from their base of operations to remote camps around the world, and then building the camp when they arrived.

After 20 years of service, Reese decided to retire and wanted to find a way to put his experience to use in a new career.

As a code services officer, Reese examines the structural aspects of a building during construction according to the International Residential Code (IRC), which Manhattan follows.