



COLONEL PHILLIP A. CHAMBERS
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Colonel Phillip A. Chambers entered into military service from Helena, Montana. He graduated as a Distinguished Military Graduate from Montana State University in 1989 and received his commission as a Second Lieutenant of Infantry.

He began his career as a Platoon Leader, Company Executive Officer and Scout Platoon Leader in 3d Battalion, 12th IN (Mechanized) in Baumholder, Germany. His next assignment was in Fort Bragg, NC where he served on the 82d Airborne Division Staff before moving to an Assistant S-3 position and Airborne Rifle Company Commander in the 1st Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment. After leading his company during a deployment to Egypt in support of the Multi-National Force and Observer's mission he command the 82d Airborne Division's Advanced Airborne School.



Chambers served in a Readiness Training Detachment in Bozeman, MT, where he worked with the 1st Battalion, 163d (Mechanized) Infantry, a MT ARNG unit assigned to the 116th Cavalry HBCT. He later served as the Brigade Adjutant for the 173d Airborne Brigade in Vicenza, Italy and Battalion Operations Officer for 1st Battalion, 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment during OIF I. Upon return he was assigned as the Chief of Operations, G-3 for the Southern European Task Force and the Combined Joint Task Force 76 in Afghanistan. He later returned to the 1st Battalion, 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment to serve as the Executive Officer for the remainder of OEF VI. After returning to CONUS he served as the Professor of Military Science at Boise State University before moving to Fort Polk where he commanded 3rd Squadron, 89th Cavalry, 4th BDE, 10th Mountain Division and Task Force Slugger during Operation Enduring Freedom 2010-11 in Wardak Province, Afghanistan. After command he served as the Fort Polk G-3 and as a Task Force Senior for the JRTC Operations Group. After resident attendance at the US Army War College, (USAWC), he deployed to Saudi Arabia to serve as the Deputy Program Manager for the Saudi Arabian National Guard (OPM-SANG), modernization program.

His military education includes the Infantry Basic and Advanced Courses, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and the USAWC. He also attended the U.S. Army Infantry School's Airborne and Ranger courses and the 82d Airborne Division's Jumpmaster course.

His personal awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, (with 2 Oak Leaf Cluster), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Army Meritorious Service Medal (with 5 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster), the Army Achievement Medal, (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters), and the Global War on Terror Service and Expeditionary medals, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with two campaign stars, CIB, EIB, Master Parachutist badge, and Ranger Tab. He was awarded the French Commemorative Medal by the French Minister of Defense for his work in Afghanistan with French military forces.

He holds a Bachelors of Science, a Masters of Public Administration from Montana State University and a Masters of Strategic Studies from the USAWC.

He is married and has four children.