



Commander, 442nd Signal Battalion

LIEUTENANT COLONEL ERIC A. ANDERSON

Lieutenant Colonel Anderson is a native of Payson, Arizona. He began his military service by enlisting in the United States Army in 1992 as a 13M, Multiple Launch Rocket Systems (MLRS) Crewmen. Upon completion of almost 4 years of service he accepted an appointment to the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs R.O.T.C. Program. Upon graduation in 1997, he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U. S. Army Signal Corps and was assigned to the 11th Signal Detachment (Theater COMSEC Support Center-Europe) and later the 72nd Signal Battalion, 7th Signal Brigade in Mannheim, Germany where he served in the positions of Platoon Leader, Executive Officer and Assistant Operations Officer.

After completing a tour of duty in Germany, LTC Anderson was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 14th Field Artillery at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. In July 2002, he assumed command of Headquarters, Headquarters Service Battery, 1-14th FA and served as their commanding officer during the initial invasion of Iraq supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF). In September 2003, LTC Anderson relinquished command and changed duty assignments. After arriving at Fort Campbell, Kentucky he was assigned to the 101st Corps Support Group where he deployed and assumed the duties of the Group Signal Officer in Mosul, Iraq. In May of 2004, as a part of the 101st Division's Transformation he was reassigned to the 101st Combat Aviation Brigade and served as their Brigade Signal Officer until April 2005 when he was reassigned to 1st Battalion 101st Attack Aviation Regiment. In April 2006, while deployed in support of OIF, LTC Anderson assumed command of Charlie Company 96th Aviation Support Battalion at Camp Speicher in Tikrit, Iraq. After redeployment LTC Anderson received orders to the Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell, AFB in Montgomery Alabama. Upon graduation in June 2008, LTC Anderson returned to Fort Campbell and was assigned to 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (TF Rakkasan) and served 30 months as the Brigade Signal Officer supporting two combat deployments, one to OIF and the other in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan. During his second combat deployment with TF Rakkasan, LTC Anderson was reassigned to the National Airborne Operations Center (NAOC) at Offutt, AFB Omaha, Nebraska. LTC Anderson served as Operations Team Three Communications Officer for 40 months providing executive communications support to the POTUS, Secretary of Defense and the Pentagon. In the summer of 2014, LTC Anderson was assigned to Fort Gordon, Georgia and the Cyber Center of Excellence where he has served the last 12 months as the Chief of Operations in the G3.

LTC Anderson is a graduate of the Air Command and Staff College, the Signal Officer Basic and Career Courses, the Combined Arms Staff Service School, and the U. S. Army Airborne School at Fort Benning, Georgia. He has served in support of five combat deployments to both Iraq and Afghanistan. His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star (3 Awards), the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (2 Awards), the Army Commendation Medal (3 Awards), the Army Achievement Medal (5 Awards), the Combat Action Badge, the U.S Army Aircrew Badge, the Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star device, the Iraq and Afghanistan Campaign Medals, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and Support Medals, and the Korean Defense Service Medal.

LTC Anderson is married with 3 children.

ADDITIONAL HISTORY

May 1992 – May 1993, A Battery, 6th Battalion, 37th Field Artillery, Camp Essayons, Korea
Jun 1993 – Aug 1995, C Battery, 10th Field Artillery, Fort Carson, Colorado
Nov 1997 – Feb 1999, 11th Signal Detachment (Theater COMSEC Support Center-Europe)
Feb 1999 – Dec 2000, 72nd Signal Battalion, 7th Signal Brigade, Mannheim, Germany
Jul 2001 – Aug 2003, 1st Battalion 14th Field Artillery, III Corps Artillery, Ft Sill, OK
Sep 2003 – Feb 2004, 101st Corps Support Group, 101st Airborne Division, Ft Campbell, KY Feb 2004 – Oct
2004, 101st Division Support Command, 101st Airborne Division, KY
Oct 2004 – May 2007, 101st Combat Aviation Brigade, 101st Airborne Division, KY
Jun 2008 – Nov 2010, 3rd Brigade Combat Team 101st Airborne Division, Ft Campbell, Ky
Dec 2010 – Jun 2014, National Airborne Operations Center, Offutt, AFB Omaha, Ne
Jun 2104 – Present, Cyber Center of Excellence, Ft Gordon, GA