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MEDIA RELEASE: Fort Benning to welcome Infantry School commandant

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FORT BENNING, Ga. – Fort Benning will welcome the Infantry School’s newest commandant and chief of Infantry during a ceremony at 3 p.m. Sept. 28 in McGinnis-Wickam Hall’s Derby Auditorium.

Brig. Gen. Peter L. Jones will assume command as the 56th Chief of Infantry. Jones recently served as the Director of Future Plans (CJ35), International Security Assistance Force Joint Command, later Resolute Support Mission Joint Command, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Operation Freedom’s Sentinel, Afghanistan.

Jones was commissioned as an Infantry officer in the U.S. Army upon graduation from the United States Military Academy in 1985. Throughout his career, Jones has served in numerous staff and leadership positions, both in the continental United States and overseas.

His awards include: the Legion of Merit with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Bronze Star Medal for Valor, the Bronze Star Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Meritorious Service Medal with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Achievement Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Expert Infantryman Badge, the Pathfinder Badge, the Parachutist Badge, the Ranger Tab, the Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge and the Army Staff Badge.

A media opportunity will be available following the ceremony and reception line.

Media interested in covering the welcome ceremony should contact the MCoE Public Affairs Office to coordinate a media escort.

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