

Colonel Christopher Hallows Bio

Colonel Christopher J.C. Hallows graduated from Fordham University in 1994 and began his military career by enlisting in the U.S. Army in 1995. He served in the 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, and the 75th Ranger Regimental Reconnaissance Detachment. After completing Officer Candidate School at Fort Moore, Georgia, in 2002, Col. Hallows was commissioned as an Infantry Officer. His first assignment was with the 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry, 3rd Infantry Division, where he held leadership roles as a mechanized platoon leader and scout platoon leader. Col. Hallows then served in the 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, as a rifle platoon leader and reconnaissance platoon leader. Following his tenure in the Ranger Regiment, he was selected to serve as the Aide de Camp for the Commanding General of the Joint Special Operations Command.

Col. Hallows completed the Maneuver Captain's Career Course and was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 3rd Infantry at Fort Lewis, Washington, where he commanded a company. He then served with 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, in various roles: assistant liaison officer, assistant operations officer and company commander. After attending the Naval Command and Staff College in Newport, Rhode Island, and earning a master's degree in international and strategic studies, he became the operations officer for 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry, 4th Infantry Division. He later served in the same role for 2nd Brigade, 4th Infantry Division.

Col. Hallows went on to serve at Special Operations Command Africa in Stuttgart, Germany, as chief of the East Africa branch. He then became the 82nd Airborne Division's chief of plans and later commanded the 1-504th PIR from January 2019 to January 2021. He then commanded the 2nd Battalion, 3rd Security Forces Assistance Brigade, from May 2021 to June 2023. Most recently, he was the Senior Army Fellow at the Jackson School of Global Affairs at Yale University from August 2023 to June 2024.

Throughout his career, Col. Hallows has deployed numerous times, including seven deployments to Afghanistan, six to Iraq, two to Kosovo, and one each to Kuwait and Jordan.

Col. Hallows has been married to his wife, Heather, for 26 years, and they have a son, Michael, who is a senior at the University of Colorado.