

## **COL NEIL J. MYRES**

COL Neil J. Myres was commissioned as an Infantry Officer from Santa Clara University in 2000 and was assigned to Able Company of 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd ABN BDE, where he served as a Rifle Platoon Leader, Mortar Platoon Leader, Executive Officer, and Assistant S4 and deployed to Iraq in 2003. After completing the Infantry Officers Advanced Course in 2005, he served as a Heavy Weapons Company Commander in Leader Rakkasan, 1st Battalion, 187th Infantry Regiment, where he again deployed to Iraq. Following the deployment, he was selected to serve as the Pathfinder Company Commander in the 5th Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment, 101st Combat Aviation Brigade, and deployed again, this time to Afghanistan.

In 2012, COL Myres was assigned to Fort Bragg, NC, where he served as an Operations Officer and Executive Officer in 5th Squadron, 73rd Cavalry Regiment. After completing his key development time, COL Myres served as the Division Chief of Operations for the 82d Airborne Division.

In 2015, COL Myres was reassigned to the Office of the Program Manager, Saudi Arabian National Guard (OPM-SANG), where he served as the G3 and Executive Officer to the Program Manager. Following his tour at OPM-SANG, he returned to Fort Bragg and was assigned to Forces Command (FORSCOM) Headquarters, where he served in the G-3/5/7 as the Chief of Current Operations. In 2017, COL Myres assumed command of 1-33 CAV, 3rd Brigade Combat Team (Rakkasans), 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division (AASLT) and served until August 2019 with distinction. Following command, he served as the Light Task Force (Airborne) Senior Trainer with Operations Group at the National Training Center where he earned his Tarantula Belt Buckle (BB #686). He most recently served as the Division Chief for Current Operations in the J-3 at the Joint Staff.

His military education includes the Infantry Officer Basic and Career Courses, Infantry Mortar Leaders Course, Command and General Staff College, Senior Service College, Airborne, Air Assault, Pathfinder, Jumpmaster, and Ranger Courses.

His awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Bronze Star (1 OLC), Meritorious Service Medal (6 OLC), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal (4 OLC), the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Iraq Campaign Medal (w/Arrowhead), the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Senior Parachutist Badge with Bronze Service Star, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Expert Infantryman's Badge, Air Assault Badge, Pathfinder Badge, and the Ranger Tab.

COL Myres is married to the former Helen Patton of Stephens City, Virginia. They have two children, Ava and Alex .