

Colonel David G. Fivecoat
Commander, Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade
Biography

Over his twenty-one years of service, Colonel David G. Fivecoat has held leadership positions and staff assignments in airborne, air assault, armor, and mechanized infantry units at the tactical, operational, and strategic levels. These assignments included participation in contingency operations in Kosovo and Bosnia, three combat tours in Iraq, and a combat tour leading the 3rd Battalion, 187 Infantry in Afghanistan. Most recently, he was assigned to the Joint Staff.

Colonel Fivecoat earned a Bachelor's of Science in Military History from the United States Military Academy, a Masters in Military Arts and Science from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and a Masters in National Security Strategy from the National War College. In addition to being the lead writer and editor of FM 3-24.2, *Tactics in Counterinsurgency*, he has had articles published in Infantry Magazine, Armor Magazine, Fires Bulletin, Military Review, and Parameters.

Awards and decorations earned by Colonel Fivecoat include the Valorous Unit Award, four Bronze Star medals, and the Army Commendation Medal with V Device. He is Ranger qualified and a Master Parachutist. Also, he has earned the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Air Assault Badge, and French Parachutist Badge.