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Colonel Keith W. Anthony received his commission in the United States Army in 1989. As a lieutenant, he served in a variety of assignments including TOW Platoon Leader and Anti-Tank Company Executive Officer with the 199th Infantry Brigade, Ft Lewis, Washington. In 1994, after graduating from the Infantry Officer's Advanced Course, he completed Special Forces training and was subsequently assigned as the Commander for Operational Detachment Alpha 341, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne) at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Since 1997, Colonel Anthony has served as a Senior Fellow at the George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies in Germany; Terrorist Options Specialist at the Defense Threat Reduction Agency; Nuclear Weapons Inspector in Votkinsk, Russia; Sensitive Site Exploitation Operations Officer in

Iraq; CGSC Tactics Instructor at WHINSEC; Special Forces and Counter-Narcotics advisor along the Ecuador-Colombia border; and as the Army Section Chief in Guatemala. His last assignment was as the Commander of the U.S. Military Group in Nicaragua. Colonel Anthony assumed command of the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation, Fort Benning, Georgia on 25 April 2014.

His military education includes the Ranger School, the Special Forces Officer Qualification Course, the Command and General Staff College, the Joint and Combined Warfighting School, and the Brazilian Superior War College. He completed Russian language training at the Defense Language Institute in Monterey, California and speaks Russian, Spanish, Portuguese and German fluently.

Colonel Anthony holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from Austin Peay State University and a Masters of Art degree in National Security Affairs from the Naval Postgraduate School.

Colonel Anthony's military awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal (1OLC), the Meritorious Service Medal (1OLC), the Army Commendation Medal, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, and the Parachutist and Air Assault Badges. Foreign awards include the Guatemalan Distinguished Service Cross, Guatemalan Navy Cross, Nicaraguan Peace and Cooperation medal and Ecuadorian jump wings.