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Colonel Matthew R. Anderson

Director
Combat Training Center Directorate



COL Matthew R. Anderson joined the Army in 1984 attending the United States Military Academy culminating in his graduation in 1988. His first tour of duty was with the 1st Armored Division and later the 3rd Infantry Division in Bamberg, Germany. Assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 1st Field Artillery, he served as a Platoon Fire Direction Officer, Firing Platoon Leader participating in Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, Infantry Company Fire Support Officer, and a Battalion Fire Direction Officer.

In August 1993, he was assigned to 7th Infantry Division (Light) and 2nd Battalion, 8th Field Artillery at Fort Lewis, Washington. On August 24, 1995 the brigade was reflagged as 1st Brigade, 25th Infantry Division (Light). While there, he served as a Battalion Fire Direction Officer, Battalion Plans and Operations Officer, Battalion Fire Support Officer, Battalion S-1, and Bravo Battery Commander. COL Anderson was assigned to the Fire Support Division at the Joint Readiness Training Center Operations Group in January 1998.

Following Command and General Staff College, COL Anderson was assigned to 2nd Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division and 2nd Battalion, 319th Airborne Field Artillery Regiment at Fort Bragg, North Carolina where he served as the Brigade Fire Support Officer and the Battalion Executive Officer. In June of 2003, he served as the Division Artillery Executive Officer. He participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom as a Battalion XO and DIVARTY XO.

COL Anderson served as the Senior Brigade Fire Support and Senior Field Artillery Operations Observer / Controller at the JRTC at Fort Polk, Louisiana from June 2004-2006.

In July 2006, COL Anderson was assigned as the 172d SBCT Deputy Brigade Commander for four months serving with the unit in MND-B through November 2006. In December 2006, he assumed command of the 2nd Battalion, 8th Field Artillery Regiment at Fort Wainwright, Alaska transforming the Automatic Battalion from a 3x4 M198 equipped battalion to a 3X6 M777A2 battalion. The battalion deployed to OIF where it provided indirect fires for the 1st SBCT, 25th ID and also served as a maneuver task force responsible for the southern portion of Diyala Province from September 2008 to September 2009.

In February 2010 COL Anderson was reassigned to the Battle Command Training Program at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He served as the Chief Observer Trainer for Operations Group C until January 2011 and as the Chief of Operations Group F from February 2011 to July 2013. He is currently serving as the Director, Combat Training Center Directorate.



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He holds several personal and unit awards and decorations to include the Ranger Tab, the Parachutist Badge, the Air Assault Badge, and the Combat Action Badge.

COL Anderson is married to Nancy Dysart from Medford, Oregon. They have three children Meagan (16), Ryan (15), and Sarah (14).