



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES ARMY

KAREN F. LLOYD

Colonel Karen Lloyd was born in Quincy, Massachusetts and entered the Army through ROTC at Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL. She was commissioned as a Quartermaster Officer and spent her first assignment in Germany where she served as POL Platoon Leader, Company Executive Officer, and Battalion POL Officer in the 142d Supply and Services Battalion.

After completing the QM Officer Advanced Course, she was assigned to Fort Hood, Texas as a Battalion Petroleum and Field Services officer. She commanded the 53d QM (Petroleum Supply) Company and then served as the SGS for 13th COSCOM. She completed her tour at Fort Hood as the Class IX (repair parts) supply officer for the 544th Maintenance Battalion.



From Fort Hood, Colonel Lloyd attended Duke University where she received a Masters Degree in Political Science in preparation for assignment to the United States Military Academy. At West Point, she taught the core Political Science course as well as elective courses in the media, public opinion, and political participation. She also served as an assistant coach to the USMA Equestrian Team.

After completing Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, she was assigned to the 172d Infantry Brigade at Fort Wainwright, Alaska where she served as Brigade S4, Battalion Executive Officer, and Brigade Materiel Management Center (BMMC) Chief.

Colonel Lloyd arrived at Fifth U.S. Army in August 2001. She served briefly as the senior CSS planner and observer/trainer within the Warfighter Division, but quickly moved to fill a growing requirement as the Information Operations planner and observer/trainer. She provided IO training and coaching to multiple National Guard divisions and brigades preparing for rotations to Bosnia, Kosovo, Iraq, and Afghanistan.

She volunteered to deploy to Iraq and was assigned to MNF-I in September 2005 to work with the Ministry of Interior Partnership and later as the MNF-I Information Operations Chief. She was selected for reassignment to a classified joint special operations task force where she served as IO planner and returned to serve as Effects Chief through the end of January 2007. She assumed duties at ARNORTH as the Interagency Coordination Chief in February 2007, serving as the senior policy and technical expert, analyst, and advisor to the Commander for all matters related to interagency activities in support of the command's homeland defense and civil support mission. In January 2008, she was assigned as the Director of Operations within the Joint Information Operations Warfare Command.