



U.S. Army Combined Arms Center
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Colonel Sharon H. Baker

Commander-
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Colonel Sharon H. Baker enlisted in the Army National Guard in 1980, graduating from Basic Training at Fort Jackson, S.C., in 1980 and AIT at Fort Sam Houston in 1981. She joined the ROTC Program at Rutgers University in 1981 and received her commission as a Military Intelligence (MI) Officer upon graduation with a bachelor's degree in Pre-Veterinary Medicine. As an MI Officer, she served as Platoon Leader, Assistant S2 Officer with the 3d Infantry Division; Technical Control and Analysis Element Chief, Battalion S1, Brigade-level S2 Officer (43d Corps Support Group) and HHC Commander, and 43d Corps Support Group with the 4th Infantry Division. While assigned to the 43d CSG, she deployed to Saudi Arabia and assumed command of the HHC, 43d CSG in support of the 1st Cavalry Division.



After redeployment to Fort Carson, Colo., Colonel Baker requested and received a branch transfer to the Transportation Corps. After an initial assignment as an Operations Officer, Surface Deployment and Distribution Command (SDDC) in New Jersey, she earned her master's degree in Logistics Management from the Florida Institute for Technology at Fort Lee.

Her second command was for the SDDC, 1302d Major Port Command, Southern California Detachment (Compton, Calif.). During her tenure, she had the tough challenge of executing closure of the organization's container freight station and relocation of the vehicle processing center and operation. After graduating from the Command and General Staff College in 1998, Colonel Baker served one year as the Battalion Executive Officer for the 765th Transportation Battalion and the next two years as the 8th Transportation Brigade Executive Officer.

Following her assignment as Brigade XO, Colonel Baker assumed command for the third time as the Commander, 838th Transportation Battalion, Rotterdam, The Netherlands. With responsibility as the Single Port Manager for all Northern European Ports, Colonel Baker's battalion served as a key enabler in the largest deployment of forces since Operations Desert Shield/Storm. During OPERATIONS ENDURING/IRAQI FREEDOM 1, her battalion facilitated and occupied two separate staging areas/tent cities and successfully deployed and redeployed more than 28,000 pieces of cargo at port locations and multiple barge sites within the 838th Transportation Battalion's Area of Operations. The 838th Transportation Battalion was awarded first place in the Department of Army Deployment Excellence Award Program for their efforts. Following command, Colonel Baker attended the U.S. Army War College and was assigned as the USTRANSCOM LNO to JFCOM in June 2004. From July 2006-2009, Colonel Baker served as JFCOM J7's Director of the Joint Deployment Training Center, Fort Eustis, and was responsible for Global Command and Control Systems-Joint Training worldwide.

In July 2009, Colonel Baker was assigned to the Army Training Support Center and assumed duties as the Deputy Commander, ATSC, in January 2010. She became Commander of the United States Army Training Support Center on 19 October 2010.