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Colonel Craig S. Unrath was commissioned as an Aviation Officer through ROTC at the University of North Dakota in 1990. As a Lieutenant, he served as a Platoon Leader and Squadron Assistant Operations Officer in 6th Squadron, 6th US Cavalry Attack Helicopter Squadron in Illesheim, Germany. Following the Aviation Officer Advanced Course, he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment, Attack Helicopter Battalion at Fort Campbell, Kentucky where he commanded Charlie Company, and served as the Battalion Logistics Officer and Assistant Operations Officer.

Following Combined Arms and Services Staff School, he was selected to attend the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS) in Monterey, California, where he obtained a MS degree in Modeling, Virtual Environments, and Simulation. Following graduation from NPS, he was assigned to the National Simulation Center (NSC) at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, with duty at Fort Hood, Texas as the Deputy for the NSC-Digital Integration Office. During this assignment, he attended the Simulation Operations Qualification Course, and was re-designated as a FA57 Simulation Operations officer.

Following graduation from Command and General Staff Officer College, he was assigned to the 1st Cavalry Division G3 Section at Fort Hood, Texas where he served as the Division Simulation Operations Officer and deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom

II. During the deployment to Iraq, he served as the G3 Chief of Training and Support Operations at Camp Victory in Baghdad and the Division Tactical Operations Center Officer-In-Charge. Upon redeployment, he was assigned to the Army's Human Resources Command in Alexandria, Virginia to serve as the FA57 Simulation Operations, Career Manager and Assignments Officer. He was then assigned to a Joint assignment with the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA), at Fort Belvoir, Virginia where he served as a Project Manager, Systems Engineering Division Deputy, and the Division Chief of the Operations Research, Modeling, and Analysis Division.

Following his Joint assignment, he was assigned as the Deputy Director for the Directorate of Simulation, US Army Aviation Center of Excellence, at Fort Rucker, Alabama. In July 2012 he was reassigned to the Army South Headquarters where he was promoted to Colonel and served as the G3 Chief of Training. From July 2013 to June 2014, Colonel Unrath attended Senior Service College at the Army War College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. On August 22nd, 2014, Colonel Unrath assumed responsibility as the Director of the National Simulation Center, at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Colonel Unrath's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (w/4 OLC), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (w/1 OLC), Army Achievement Medal (w/3 OLC), Iraqi Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Senior Army Aviator Badge, Airborne Badge, Air Assault Badge, and Bronze Order of Saint Michael.

His education includes a BS in Airway Science from the University of North Dakota, a MS in Modeling, Virtual Environments, and Simulation from the Naval Postgraduate School, and a MA in Strategic Studies from the US Army War College.

COL Unrath is married and has two children.