COLONEL WILLIAM C. ARNOLD Commandant, U.S. Army Transportation School

Colonel William (Will) C. Arnold is a native of Wharton, Texas. He graduated from Texas A&M University in 1997 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Construction Science and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant into the Transportation Corps.

COL Arnold's military schooling includes the Transportation Officer Basic Course, the Logistics Captains Career Course, the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and the U.S. Army War College with a Master's of Strategic Studies. He also holds a Master's of Science in Transportation and Logistics Management from American Military University.



COL Arnold's operational command assignments include the 251st Cargo Transfer Company, 21st Theater Support Command (TSC) from 2004-2005; Commander of 3rd Brigade Support Battalion (BSB), 1st ABCT, 3rd Infantry Division from 2015-2017; and Commander of 596th Transportation Brigade, Surface Deployment and Distribution Command from 2020-2022.

Other Significant assignments include Aide-de-Camp to the 21st TSC Commander; Logistics MITT Advisor in support 9th Iraq Heavy Division during Operation Iraqi Freedom; Division Transportation Officer for the 4th Infantry Division; Support Operations Officer for 1st Brigade, 4th Infantry Division in support of Operation Enduring Freedom; BSB SPO/S-3 OC/T at the National Training Center; Commander for the White House Transportation Agency; Division G-4 for 3rd Infantry Division also serving as the Deputy J-4 for USFOR-A while deployed in support of Operation Freedom Sentinel; Acting Director for Installation Services, HQDA G-9; and Chief of Staff and Sustainment Division Chief for Talent Alignment and Development Directorate, Human Resource Command.

COL Arnold's awards include the Legion of Merit (with two oak leaf clusters), the Bronze Star (with two oak leaf clusters), Defense Meritorious Service Medal (with two oak leaf clusters), Meritorious Service Medal (with one silver and one bronze oak leaf cluster), Army Commendation Medal (with one oak leaf cluster), Army Achievement Medal (with two oak leaf clusters), Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, and NATO Medal. He has also earned the Presidential Service Badge, Army Staff Badge, and Joint Meritorious Unit Award.

COL Arnold is married and has two children.