

Colonel John Sandor

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Colonel John W. Sandor is from West Creek, New Jersey. He attended Marion Military Institute and was commissioned in 1996. Following his commissioning he attended The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey and came on active duty in 1999.



He was first assigned to 3rd Battalion, 6th Field Artillery Regiment, 10th Mountain Division, where he served as a company fire support officer, battery fire direction officer, battalion S-6, and battalion fire direction officer. During his tour, he deployed to Kosovo in 2001-2002. Following completion of the Field Artillery Officer Advanced Course in 2003, COL Sandor was assigned to the 75th Field Artillery Brigade in Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where he served as a fire control officer. He deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom 2004-2005 in support of 1st Cavalry Division as part of the Force Field Artillery Headquarters. His subsequent assignments at Fort Sill included assistant S-3 for 1st Battalion, 17th Field Artillery Regiment, and command of Charlie Battery, 1st Battalion, 17th Field Artillery Regiment. His unit deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2005-2006 as a convoy security battery. He then served as commander of Headquarters and Headquarters Battery for 1st Battalion, 17th Field Artillery Regiment, and battalion S-3. Upon graduation from the Command and General Staff College in 2009, he was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 7th Field Artillery, 1st Infantry Division as the battalion S-3 and battalion executive officer. He deployed in support of Operation New Dawn 2010-2011. Following this assignment, COL Sandor was assigned as an observer-controller/trainer at the National Training Center, Fort Irwin, California, from 2012-2015. He assumed command in 2015 of the 2nd Battalion, 3rd Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division at Fort Bliss, Texas. In January of 2017, most of his battalion deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Freedom Sentinel. After command, he served as the deputy for 1st Armored Division Division Artillery. His next assignment was to the Army Joint Support Team, Hurlburt Field, Florida, as the director for the Echelons Above Brigade Airspace Course and Specialized Joint Air-Ground Training. After graduating from the Army War College in 2021, he was assigned to V Corps, Fort Knox, Kentucky. While in V Corps, he served as the G-35/37 and chief of fires and deployed with V Corps to Germany after Russia invaded Ukraine. COL Sandor holds a bachelor's degree in Computer Science and Information Systems from The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, a master's degree in Leadership and Management from Webster University, and a master's degree in Strategic Studies from the Army War College. His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal (2 OLC), the Meritorious Service Medal (4 OLC), and the Combat Action Badge.

COL Sandor and his spouse, Christie, have three children: John Jr., Jabob, and Maria.