

## **COL BRANDON D. NEWTON**

**Defense Coordinating Officer**

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**United States Army North (Fifth Army)**



COL Brandon D. Newton enlisted in the United States Army as an Infantryman in 1987. Following initial entry training at Fort Benning, Georgia he served in the 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment. COL Newton received his commission as an Infantry Officer in 1992 from the University of South Carolina through the U.S. Army's Green to Gold program. During college, He served in the 118th Infantry Regiment, South Carolina National Guard. COL Newton is a graduate of the Command and General Staff College, the School of Advanced Military Studies and the U.S. Army War College.

He served in a number of initial assignments as a junior Infantry officer both at Fort Richardson, Alaska and Fort Stewart, Georgia. After company command at Fort Stewart, he was assigned to 1st Army and the 188th Infantry Brigade where he advised National Guard units in the southeast region, and developed plans for Defense Support of Civil Authorities in the event of a declared emergency or disaster.

In 2003, he was promoted to Major and attended the Command and General Staff College and the School of Advanced Military Studies at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Following graduation in 2005, Colonel Newton and his family were assigned to Fort Hood, Texas as a part of the 4th Infantry Division. While serving in the 4th Infantry Division, he participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom, deploying twice to Iraq between 2005 and 2009. He executed combat operations in North and South Baghdad as a part of the 1st Brigade, 4th Division. He was then reassigned to Fort Carson, Colorado in 2009 where he held a number of Lieutenant Colonel positions in the 4th Infantry Division. He participated in Operation Enduring Freedom, deploying twice to Afghanistan. His assignments while at Fort Carson included Deputy Brigade Commander, Battalion Commander, and Division Operations officer.

Colonel Newton was selected to attend the U.S. Army War College in 2015 and following graduation, moved his family from Carlisle, Pennsylvania to the Republic of South Korea where he was assigned as Chief of the Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction Division for U.S. Forces, Korea. In June 2016 he assumed command of the U.S. Army Garrison- Camp Red Cloud, headquartered at Camp Red Cloud in Uijeongbu, Republic of South Korea.

Colonel Newton and his spouse Lilla have two grown children. His son, Jack, is a sophomore at the University of Texas at Dallas studying Economics, and will attend USMC Platoon Leaders Class this summer. His daughter, Molly, recently graduated from Colorado State University with a B.S. in Microbiology. The Newton family resides in Denver, Co.



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