



BIOGRAPHY

Michael D. Coleman
Colonel, US Army
Commander
Army Support Activity



Colonel Michael D. Coleman was born in New York, NY. He has a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice Administration from Mansfield University of Pennsylvania and Master of Arts in Business Management from Webster University, Missouri.

Col. Coleman enlisted in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard in 1991 as an 11B Infantryman while attending Mansfield University. Upon graduation in May 1995, he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Field Artillery. After graduating from the Field Artillery basic course, he was assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, NC where he served in numerous positions as a member of the 3rd Battalion 319th Airborne Field Artillery Regiment. In April 1999 he successfully completed Special Forces Assessment and Selection at Fort Bragg, NC.

In August 2001, following completion of Special Forces training, Col. Coleman was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, NC where he served in numerous duty positions. During this time, he conducted operational deployments to Haiti, Central and South America, and Iraq. He attended the Command and General Staff College, at Fort Leavenworth, KS and returned to 7th SFG(A), and assigned to 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group as a Company Commander and deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom 12. Serving as the Battalion Operations Officer, he deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom 14.

COL Coleman was assigned in July 2010 to the United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM), MacDill Air Force Base, FL. While at MacDill AFB, his assignments included Inter-Agency Task Force Operations Officer, Executive Officer to the Deputy Commander USSOCOM, Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff USSOCOM, and USSOCOM Commander's Action Group.

In June 2013, Colonel Coleman assumed command of the Albany Recruiting Battalion. The battalion is responsible for recruiting operations in Northeastern New York, Western Massachusetts, Vermont, Connecticut, and Europe/Middle East. Following battalion command, COL Coleman returned to the United States Special Operations Command in July of 2015 where he was assigned as the Deputy Director of Joint Acquisition Task Force Tactical Assault Light Operator Suit (TALOS). He led a diverse workforce charged with enhancing the capabilities of the SOF Operator.

Colonel Coleman previous assignment was as a student at the United States Army War College. His awards include the Bronze Star with two oak leaf clusters, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, and Joint Commendation Medal. He has also earned the Special Forces Tab, Ranger Tab, Master Parachutist Badge, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Military Free Fall Badge, and Air Assault Badge. Colonel Coleman has been married for 18 years to the former Daniella Littzi of Pittston, PA. They have two children, Michael and Morgan.