

## Colonel William (Will) Arnold

Commander, 596th Transportation Brigade

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 Regular Army Second Lieutenant into the Transportation Corps.

COL Arnold's military schooling includes the Transportation Officer Basic Course, the Combined Logistics Captains Career Course (CLC3), the Combined Arms Staff and Services School (CAS3), the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College (CGSC) and the U.S. Army War College with a Masters of Strategic Studies. He also holds a Masters of Science in Transportation and Logistics Management from American Military University.



COL Arnold's first duty station was at Ft. Hood, TX where he served as a maintenance platoon leader in 4 BSB 1-4 ID, Battalion S2 Officer in 49th TRANS BN and later served as HET transportation platoon leader, company executive officer in the 96th TRANS CO. His final position held was as Battalion S4 in 180th TRANS BN.

After CLC3, COL Arnold served in Kaiserslautern Germany, first as the Operations Officer for the Major General Wright Deployment Processing Center and then he assumed command of the 251st Cargo Transfer Company. Before departing Germany in 2006, COL Arnold served as the Aide de Camp to the Commanding General 21st TSC.

COL Arnold deployed to OIF in 2006-2007 as a member of a Military Transition Team (MiTT) to advise logistics for the Iraqi Forces. After CGSC, he was assigned to Fort Carson, CO with 4th ID as the Division Transportation Officer and later deployed to Afghanistan in 2011-2012 as the Brigade Support Battalion Operations Officer for the 4th BSB, 1-4 ID. After returning from deployment, COL Arnold served for two years at the National Training Center, Fort Irwin, CA as a BSB trainer.

COL Arnold was selected to command the White House Transportation Agency from 2013-2015 and then assumed battalion command of 3rd Brigade Support Battalion, 1-3 ID at Fort Stewart, GA from 2015-2017. After Battalion Command, COL Arnold served as 3ID Director of Logistics/G4 at Fort Stewart and deployed to Afghanistan in 2017-2018 in the same position serving as the Deputy J4 for USFOR-A. COL Arnold recently served on the Army Staff in the Deputy Chief of Staff G-9 as the Deputy and Acting Director for Installation Services.

COL Arnold's awards include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star with oak leaf cluster, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with 1 silver leaf cluster and 1 oak leaf cluster, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, 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 and his wife have two sons.