

Colonel Michael A. Patrick

Commander

597th Transportation Brigade

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Colonel Patrick is a native of Petersburg, Virginia. He received his commission as a Second Lieutenant in May 1996 from Norfolk State University in Norfolk, VA and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. Additionally, Colonel Patrick holds a Masters in Administration from Central Michigan University, a Masters in Theological Studies from Liberty University and Seminary and a Masters in Strategic Studies from the Army War College.

Prior to his arrival at Fort Eustis, Colonel Patrick served as the Iraqi Ministry of Defense Senior Logistics Advisor and Chief of Sustainment and Training Reform in the Office of Security Cooperation-Iraq, a US State Department asset and joint organization responsible for assisting in reformation of all components of Iraq's security forces. In this capacity, Colonel Patrick was directly responsible for advising, assisting and maintaining critical relationships with the President and Dean, Iraq National Defense University, Iraq War College and the Iraqi Army's Deputy Chiefs of Staff for Administration, Logistics and Training.

Colonel Patrick's military education includes the Ordnance Officer Basic Course, Combined Logistics Captains' Career Course, Combined Arms Services Staff School, US Army Command and General Staff College and US Army War College.

Colonel Patrick's command and staff assignments include: Platoon Leader, Shop Officer and Engineer Support Platoon Leader, 4th Forward Support Battalion and Company XO and Platoon Leader, 704th Main Support Battalion, 4th Infantry Division (TFXXI), Ft Hood, TX; Company Commander, 84th Ordnance Company (DS/GS), 6th Ordnance Battalion, Camp Carroll, Korea; Ordnance Basic and Advanced Course Instructor, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, MD; Brigade Logistics Advisor and S4, Brigade Border Transition Team, Sinjar, Iraq; Battalion XO, 71st Transportation Battalion and Brigade S3, 8th Transportation Brigade, Ft Eustis, VA and Commander, 73d Ordnance Battalion, Eglin Air Force Base, FL.

Colonel Patrick's joint and enterprise level assignments include: Presidential Logistics Program Manager, White House Military Office, The White House; Senior Advisor for Sustainment and Training Reform, Office of Security Cooperation-Iraq, US Embassy-Baghdad; Aide to the Commanding General, US Army Security Assistance Command (Foreign Military Sales), Army Materiel Command, Ft Belvoir, VA; Joint Training and Doctrine Officer, United States Forces Korea J4, Yongsan, Korea and Chief, Army Transportation Resource Operations, Headquarters, Department of the Army G4-Logistics Innovation Agency, Pentagon.

Colonel Patrick's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Meritorious Service Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, US Army Parachutist Badge and the Presidential Service Badge. COL Patrick is also a recipient of the Ordnance Order of Samuel Sharpe.

Colonel Patrick and his wife Carla have four children.

