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## Colonel David B. Gaffney

Deputy Commander

Surface Deployment and Distribution Command

Colonel David B. Gaffney became the deputy commander of Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command at Scott Air Force Base, Ill., on Aug. 20, 2012.

Colonel Gaffney graduated from Wichita State University, Kansas, in 1985. His first assignment was with the 4th Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment, as the Bravo Company Executive Officer. In 1989, he was assigned to the 36th Transportation Battalion and served as a Battalion Maintenance Officer, Battalion S4, and Company Commander. In 1991, he was assigned to the 2nd Infantry Division where he served as 702nd Main Support Battalion, Support Operations Transportation Officer and later as the 302nd Forward Support Battalion, S2/3. Following other assignments in 1996, Colonel Gaffney was assigned to Fort Eustis, Va., to the Office of the Chief of Transportation as the Chief of Officer Proponency and later as the 7th Transportation Group, S1. In 2000, he transferred to 43rd Support Group and served as the Group Support Operations Officer and later as the 68th Corps Support Battalion Executive Officer.

Joint and operational contributions include: Deputy Director Operational Logistics, Joint Staff J-4, Operation Odyssey Dawn, Libya, 2011; Operation Tomodachi, Japan, 2011; Operation New Dawn, Iraq, 2011; Brigade Commander, 916th Support Brigade, National Training Center, Operation Enduring Freedom, Afghanistan 2008 to 2010; Battalion Commander, 457th Transportation Battalion, deployed Operation Iraqi Freedom, Iraq 2004 to 2005; Observer/Controller Battle Command Training Program, deployed OIF, Iraq, 2003.

His education includes the Air Defense Officer Basic Course, Transportation Officer Advance Course, Command and General Staff College, and Army War College. He attended the Penn State University Supply Chain Management program, and also holds a Master of Science in Administration degree from Central Michigan University, Mich., and Strategic Studies from the Army War College.

Colonel Gaffney's awards and decorations include: Defense Superior Service Medal; Bronze Star Medal; Meritorious Service Medal (7th Award); Joint Service Commendation Medal; Army Commendation Medal; Army Achievement Medal (5th Award); National Defense Service Medal (2nd Award); Iraq Campaign Medal; Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Korea Defense Service Medal; Army Service Ribbon; Overseas Service Ribbon (2nd Award); Combat Action Badge; and Airborne Badge. He is also a recipient of the Order of Saint Christopher, Order of Saint Martin and Order of Saint Michael medallions.



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