

Colonel Robert L. Manning

## Commandant

## US Army Adjutant General School

## Chief of Army Bands

Colonel Rob Manning was commissioned as an officer in the Adjutant General Corps through the Reserve Officer Training Program at the University of South Florida in 1982 following four years of enlisted service in the Infantry with the 24th and 3d Infantry Divisions in the continental United States and Germany.

COL Manning served in multiple positions in the 82d Airborne Division culminating as the Replacement Detachment Commander. He later served as a Company Commander and Battalion Operations Officer, 369th Adjutant General Battalion and Secretary of the General Staff, Fort Jackson, South Carolina. He then became Aide-de-Camp to the Commanding General, U.S. Army Recruiting Command. COL Manning served as Chief, Strength Management Division, and Battalion Executive Officer, 556th Personnel Services Battalion, 25th Infantry Division (Light) in Hawaii and later served in the Pentagon in the Office of the Chief of Staff Army's General Officer Management Office as a Training/Professional Development Officer and Executive Officer as well as Military Secretary, Force Structure, Resources, and Assessments Directorate, J-8, The Joint Staff. He served in Korea as Commander, 516th Personnel Services Battalion and G1/AG, 2d Infantry Division. COL Manning commanded 1st Brigade (Northeast US), U.S. Army Recruiting Command.

Other key assignments include OPERATION URGENT FURY, Grenada, Strength Management Officer, Joint Task Force Haiti, OPERATION UPHOLD DEMOCRACY, Haiti and C-1, Director of Personnel, Multi National Force Iraq, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM.

COL Manning graduated from the Adjutant General Basic and Advance Courses, Combined Arms Services Staff School, Command and General Staff College and the Army War College. He has Master's Degrees in Administration from Central Michigan University, and Strategic Studies from the Army War College.

COL Manning's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit (1 OLC), Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3 OLC), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (3 OLC), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal (1 OLC) Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with star, Korea Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal with star, Humanitarian Service Medal, Military Outstanding Volunteer Medal, National Defense Service Medal with star, Army Good Conduct Medal, Expert Infantryman's Badge, Joint Staff Identification Badge, Army Staff Identification Badge, Recruiters Badge, and the Master Parachutist Badge.