

# Maj. Gen. William B. Hickman

Deputy Commanding General - Operations  
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Maj. Gen. William B. Hickman is the Deputy Commanding General of Operations for U.S. Army Central. He assumed the duties and responsibilities of the position April, 2015.

His prior assignments include serving as the Commanding General of Joint Readiness Training Center and Fort Polk, Louisiana. Deputy Commanding General (Support), 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Deputy Command General (Operations), 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Commander 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade Combat

Team, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Kentucky and Operation Iraqi Freedom, Iraq. Commander, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 502<sup>nd</sup> Infantry, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell Kentucky and Operation Iraqi Freedom, Iraq. Commander Bravo Company 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion 325<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment (Airborne Combat Team), United States Army Southern Europe Task Force, Vicenza, Italy. His previous staff assignments include Military Assistant to the Commander, International Security Assistance Force, Operation Enduring Freedom, Afghanistan. Executive Officer to the Commander, United States Central Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. Assistant Chief of Staff and Director of Operations, J-3, Multi-National Security Transition Command-Iraq, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Iraq. Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3 and Director, Plans, Training and Mobilization, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Kentucky and Operation Iraqi Freedom, Iraq. Deployment Operations Officer and Chief Deployment Operations Branch, United States Army Forces Command, Fort McPherson, Georgia. S-3 (Operations), 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 502<sup>nd</sup> Infantry, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. Executive Officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 502<sup>nd</sup> Infantry, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

Hickman earned his bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Vanderbilt University in 1983 and was commissioned as a second lieutenant through the ROTC program. He later earned a Master's Degree in Business Administration from Vanderbilt University and a Master's Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College.

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Hickman's awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal (with oak leaf cluster), Legion of Merit (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Bronze Star Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Achievement Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Ranger Tab.

