

Colonel Thomas J. Paff, 160th Signal Brigade

Colonel Thomas J. Paff was born in Clovis, New Mexico on 30th October 1972. He graduated from Utica College of Syracuse University in 1995 with a Bachelor of Science in Actuarial Science. He enlisted into the Army in 1995 and received his Commission on 10th February 2000 through Officer Candidate School.

Colonel Paff's previous assignments include Team Chief, 229th Signal Company, Camp Humphreys, Korea; Team Chief, Bravo Company, 67th Signal Battalion, Fort Gordon, Georgia; Signal Detachment Commander, 2nd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Carson, Colorado; Battalion S6, 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion (Aerial Exploitation), Camp Humphreys, Korea; Commander, Headquarters and Support Company, 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion (Aerial Exploitation), Camp Humphreys, Korea; Commander, Clarion Recruiting Company, Pittsburg and Harrisburg Recruiting Battalions; Brigade S6, 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Fort Stewart, Georgia; Battalion S3, 4-3 Brigade Special Troops Battalion, Fort Stewart, Georgia; G6 Plans OIC and Deputy G6, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia; Communication and Information Systems Operations Officer and Deputy J6, NATO Special Operations Forces Headquarters (NSHQ), SHAPE, Belgium; Deputy Brigade Commander, 15th Signal Brigade, Fort Gordon, Georgia; Battalion Commander, 551st Signal Battalion; Deputy Brigade Commander, 160th Theater Signal Brigade, Arifjan, Kuwait; Army War College Class of 2002, and Command Inspector General, Network Enterprise Technology Command, Fort Huachuca, Arizona.

Colonel Paff deployed in support of Operation IRAQ FREEDOM, Operation NEW DAWN and Operation ENDURING FREEDOM. His military education includes Officer Candidate School, Signal Officer Basic and Advance Courses, Airborne School, Battalion and Brigade Signal Officer Course, Recruiting Company Commander's Course, Intermediate Level Education and Senior Service College where he earned a Masters in Strategic Studies with a Cyber Area of Emphasis.

Colonel Paff's awards and decorations include in Bronze Star Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with seven oak leaf clusters, Army Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Army Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal with bronze star, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal with two campaign stars, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and Service Medals, Korean Defense Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon with "6", NATO Medal, Parachutist Badge and the Recruiting Badge – Silver.

Colonel Paff and his wife, Tina, have been married for 26 years and reside in Ludowici, Georgia. They have three sons, Johnathan, Shawn, and Markus.