

Colonel Thomas D. Chapeau

Colonel Thomas D. Chapeau commissioned in the United States Army in June 1999. After completing the Field Artillery Officer Basic Course, he was selected for Ranger school and graduated in August 2000.

Col. Chapeaus assignments include, 1st Battalion, 27th Field Artillery in Babenhausen, Germany where he served as an MLRS Firing Platoon Leader, Support Platoon Leader, and Battery Executive Officer. Brigade S4 with the 214th Field Artillery Brigade at Fort Sill, OK. Thomas commanded Headquarters and Headquarters Service Battery, 1st Battalion 14th Field Artillery Regiment from 2006 to 2007 and Hotel Battery, 26th Field Artillery Regiment (Target Acquisition) from 2007-2008. From 2009 to 2012, COL Chapeau was assigned to the Response Forces Operations Command in Ulm, Germany and served as the Deputy Chief of Fires through under Military Personnel Exchange Program. completion of the Combined and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas in 2013, COL Chapeau was assigned to the 504th Battlefield Surveillance Brigade (BFSB) as the Brigade Fire Support Officer. COL Chapeau was then selected to serve as the Executive Officer for 2nd Battalion, 82nd Field Artillery Regiment, 3rd Armored Brigade Combat Team at Fort Hood, Texas until June 2015. He was then selected to serve as the 41st Field Artillery Brigade Executive Officer through their transition to the 1st Cavalry Division Artillery (DIVARTY). In December 2015, COL Chapeau was nominated to serve as the Executive Officer to the 1st Cavalry Division Commander. In July 2016, COL Chapeau was assigned to United States Forces Korea (USFK) and served as the Chief of Operations in the Combined Joint Fires Element. In 2018, COL Chapeau commanded the Headquarters Command Battalion at Fort Meade, MD. In 2020, he was assigned to the Military District of Washington, where he assumed command of Task Force Parade in support of the 59th Presidential Inauguration. He was later assigned to U.S. Army Central at Shaw Air Force Base and is currently serving as the G34 Director and USARCENT Fire Support Coordinator.

Col. Chapeaus deployments includes Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in March 2003 as the battalion assistant operations officer. OIF 07-08 with his battery in support of Multi-National Corps- Iraq. Deployment to Kosovo with BFSB.

Col. Chapeaus military education includes Thomas attended the Field Artillery Captains Career Course at Fort Sill, Oklahoma followed by the Combined Arms and Services Staff School (CAS3) at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Col. Chapeaus attended Army War College in 2021.

COL Chapeau's civilian education includes a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Minnesota, a Master of Arts degree in Management and Leadership from Webster University, and a Master of Arts degree in Strategic Studies from the Army War College. His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal (1OLC), Defense Meritorious Service Medal (1OLC), Meritorious Service Medal (1OLC), Army Commendation Medal (2OLC), Army Achievement Medal (1OLC), Valorous Unit Award, Meritorious Unit

Achievement, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, and Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, Ranger Tab, and Parachutist Badge.