

LTC David L Schmitt  
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Lieutenant Colonel (P) David (Dave) L. Schmitt is a native of Fitchburg, Massachusetts. He graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1992 and was commissioned into the Ordnance Corps and branch detailed for two years in the Armor Corps.

His military education includes the Armor Officer Basic Course, Combined Logistics Officer Advanced Course, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Command and General Staff College, and the Joint Combined Warfighting School. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from the United States Military Academy and a Masters in International Relations from the University of Oklahoma. Lieutenant Colonel (P) Schmitt is an explosive ordnance disposal officer with an ammunition background. His awards include the Bronze Star Medal (one oak leaf cluster), Defense Meritorious Service Medal,

LTC (P) Schmitt has served in several overseas tours in Germany as well as combat tours in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Key assignments include: tank platoon leader, 2-70 Armor Battalion and 2-37 Armor Battalion, Germany; ammunition platoon leader and company operations officer, 184th Ordnance Company, Germany; company commander, 797th Ordnance Company (EOD), Fort Sam Houston, Texas; nuclear research officer, Defense Intelligence Agency, Washington, D.C.; logistics planner, 3rd Army, Fort McPherson, Ga.; Commander, U.S. Army EOD Training Detachment, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.; explosive ordnance disposal planner, United States Africa Command, Stuttgart, Germany; force management equipment requirements branch chief, United States Forces Afghanistan, Kabul, Afghanistan; Commander, Anniston Munitions Center, Anniston Army Depot, AL; Deputy Commander, 71st Ordnance Group (EOD), Fort Carson, CO.

His awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Meritorious Service Medal (2 Oak Leaf Cluster), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (4 oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Meritorious Unit Award (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), National Defense Service Medal, Southwest Asia Service medal, Kosovo Campaign Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War On Terror Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, NATO Medal, Master Explosive Ordnance Disposal Badge, and the Parachutist Badge.