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## **COL Antonio A. Aguto, Jr.**

### **Chief of Staff U.S. Army Combined Arms Center and Fort Leavenworth**

COL Tony Aguto was commissioned an Armor Officer from the United States Military Academy in 1988. As a Lieutenant and junior Captain he served as a Tank Platoon Leader, Company Executive Officer and Support Platoon Leader in the 4th Squadron, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Armored Division United States Army Europe during Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm. From 1993-1995 COL Aguto served as Battalion S3 Air, Commander, Armor Company, 2nd Battalion, 64th Armor, 3rd Infantry Division and Headquarters, Headquarters Company Commander 1st Battalion, 77th Armor, 1st Infantry Division, United States Army Europe during operations in Bosnia, Herzegovina; and Aide de Camp to Commander, 1st Infantry Division. From 1997-1998 COL Aguto served as Operations Officer, J33 Readiness Division, Joint Staff and DAG3 Army Operations Center, Readiness Division.

From 2000-2004 COL Aguto served as Squadron Operations and Executive Officer, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment and as Regimental Executive Officer while deployed to Operation Iraqi Freedom from April 2003 to February 2004. In 2004 and 2005 he served as Deputy Division G3, 7th Infantry Division, Ft Carson Colorado.

From November 2005 to June 2006 COL Aguto commanded 2-14 Cavalry Squadron, 1st Brigade (Stryker Brigade Combat Team), 25th Infantry, Fort Lewis, Washington. COL Aguto became the Commander of 4th Squadron, 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment after 1st Brigade reflagged to the 2d Stryker Cavalry Regiment on June 1, 2006 in Vilseck, Germany. He commanded the Squadron in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom 07-09 in Baghdad and Diyala, Iraq from August 2007 – November 2008.

From 2010-2012 COL Aguto commanded the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment – Blackhorse – at the National Training Center, Fort Irwin, California.

He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Aerospace Engineering. He is a graduate of the Armor Officer Basic and Advanced Course, Field Artillery Advanced Course, Command and General Staff College and the Naval War College.

COL Aguto's decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal (3 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Meritorious Service Medal (3 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Joint Staff Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal (4 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Joint Staff Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal (5 Oak Leaf Clusters), the National Defense Service Medal (2 Awards), NATO Medal, Parachutist Badge, Army and Joint Staff Badges.

