Colonel Michael Dvoracek was born in Lubbock, Texas and commissioned from Texas A&M University in 1987, graduating in 1988 with a Bachelor of Science degree.

COL Dvoracek served as Tank Platoon Leader in the Texas Army National Guard while completing his degree. Upon reporting for active duty and attending the Field Artillery Officer Basic Course, COL Dvoracek was assigned as a Platoon Fire Direction Officer in the 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 77<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery in Babenhausen, Germany where he later served as a Platoon Leader and Special Weapons Officer, and later Battalion S2. COL Dvoracek next served as the C Company Fire Support Officer and later Battalion Fire Support Officer for the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 32<sup>nd</sup> Armor while assigned to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 82<sup>nd</sup> Field Artillery of the 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas. Following graduation from the Field Artillery Officer Advanced Course, he was assigned as the 75<sup>th</sup> FA Brigade S-4 and subsequently Commander, C Battery, 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 18<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Following command COL Dvoracek served at the National Training Center, Fort Irwin, California as a Firing Battery Trainer, Fire Support Analyst, Assistant Battalion S3 Trainer and Battalion S3 Trainer.

Immediately after graduating from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College COL Dvoracek served at Fort Sill as a Combat Development Concepts Officer with Task Force XXI, Battalion XO with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 78<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery, FATC and Battalion XO with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 13<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery, 214<sup>th</sup> FA Brigade. COL Dvoracek was next assigned as the Fire Support Advisor to the Imam Mohammed Bin Saud Mechanized Brigade and 1<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery Battalion of the Saudi Arabian National Guard, Office of the Program Manager – Saudi Arabian National Guard Modernization Program in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Following this he served as the Command and Control Chief Observer/Trainer and subsequently the Fire Support Chief Observer/Trainer for Operations Group Charlie, Battle Command Training Program at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

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