Donald (Andy) Bird Deputy Garrison Commander US Army Garrison, Fort Hood Texas



Andy Bird was assigned as the Deputy to the Garrison Commander to USAG Ft Hood on 12 Dec 2011. He previously served as the Chief of Staff IMCOM Europe, in Heidelberg Germany since Dec 2009. Prior to that he was the Deputy to the Garrison Commander, Ft Hood TX from 2007-2009. He retired from the United States Army in 2005 as an Infantry Colonel with over 27 years of service.

Andy was commissioned as an Infantry 2d lieutenant after graduating from The Citadel in 1979. He has served in a variety of command and staff assignments both in the United States, and overseas, Germany, Korea, Kuwait and Iraq. He has commanded combat Infantry units from platoon to battalion level and has served on staffs from Battalion to Corps level along with a national level joint staff assignment with the Defense Intelligence Agency in 1994 and working for the Coalition Provisional Authority, Baghdad Iraq, for Ambassador Jerry Bremer, in support of OIF in 2003-2004. He capped of his career at Ft Hood as the Chief of Staff for III Corps and Ft Hood from 2004 until his retirement in 2005. Prior to the Chief's job he was the III Corps G3, in 2003 and the Chief of Plans and Exercises in 2002.

He holds a Bachelors of Science degree in Business Administration from The Citadel as well as two Masters Degrees—one in Business Management, and the other in Strategic Studies and Policy. He is a graduate of the Infantry Officers Basic and Advanced Courses, Command and General Staff College and the US Marine Corps War College.