

Colonel Matthew G. Elledge Garrison Commander Fort Hood, Texas

COL Matt Elledge was commissioned as a Distinguished Military Graduate and an infantry officer in 1989. Upon completion of initial training at Ft. Benning, Georgia, he was assigned as a Bradley platoon leader in the 3rd Battalion 41st Infantry Regiment, 1st Tiger Brigade, 2nd Armored Division, where he deployed in support of Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm.

While serving in the 3rd Battalion 41st Infantry Regiment, COL Elledge also served as line company executive officer, scout platoon leader, HHC executive officer, battalion S-4, and deployed to Operation Intrinsic Action and Operation Iris Gold in the Emirate of Kuwait. As a captain, he attended the Infantry Officer Advanced Course at Ft. Benning, Georgia. Upon graduation, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion 14th Infantry Regiment, 10th Mountain Division, at Ft. Drum, NY, as the battalion S-4. In 1995, he assumed command of B Company 3-14 IN. After command, he was assigned as a senior battalion advisor to the Saudi Arabian National Guard in 1997.

In 1998, COL Elledge assumed command of D Company, 3rd US Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard). In 1999, he served as the company commander for the Honor Guard, 3rd US Infantry Regiment, until he was selected to serve as the regimental S-3 in the summer of 2000. After graduating from the Army's Command and General Staff College and the School of Advanced Military Studies in 2003, COL Elledge was assigned as the chief of plans, 4th Infantry Division, during Operation Iraqi Freedom I. Upon redeployment, he served as the battalion S-3 in 2nd Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade, 4th Infantry Division.

The following year, COL Elledge served as the executive officer for 2nd Brigade, 4th Infantry Division, and deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in May 2007. Upon redeployment, COL Elledge took command of 1st Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade, 4th Infantry Division, and deployed to Operation Iraqi Freedom in July 2009. COL Elledge's military schools include the School of Advanced Military Studies, the Command and General Staff College, the Infantry Officer Advanced Course, the Infantry Officer Basic Course, and the Ranger and Airborne School. He has earned a bachelor's degree in education and a master's degree in military operations from the US Army School of Advanced Military Studies.

His awards and decorations include the Silver Star Medal, the Bronze Star Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Combat Infantryman's Badge (second award), the Expert Infantryman's Badge, and the Parachutist Badge and Ranger Tab.