

Mr. Louis Roach was born in Mobile, Alabama in 1947, the second in a family of five children. He attended grades 1 through 12 in Theodore, Alabama, and graduated from Theodore High School in 1966. He was president of the high school band and Key club. He medically disqualified for enlistment into the Army in 1966, but he volunteered for induction in 1969 and served 23 years in the U.S. Army in the enlisted and officer ranks. Mr. Roach attended Basic Combat Training (BCT) at Fort Polk, La. and Advanced Individual Training (AIT) at Fort Rucker, Al. His tours of duty included the Republic of Vietnam, Hawaii, Fort Rucker, South Korea, Fort Polk, Honduras, Fort Campbell, Fort Bragg and Iraq. During Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm he earned numerous awards to include the Bronze Star and Meritorious Medals for combat and humanitarian service. He retired from active service on his return from the Persian Gulf in 1991 with the rank of Chief Warrant Officer Two (CWO 2).



With plans of becoming an airport manager, he attended Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Fla. and graduated in 1992 (GPA of 3.92) with a BS in Professional Aeronautics. He continued his educational endeavors at Murray State University, Murray, Ky. where he received a MS (GPA 3.95) in Human Services. Since accepting employment with the Department of the Army he has attended Sustaining Base Leadership Management (SBLM), Personnel Management for Executives (PME) I&II and Organizational Leadership for Executives (OLE) through the Army Management Staff College (AMSC), Fort Belvoir, Va. and Logistics Executive Development Course (LEDC) through the Army Logistics Management College (ALMC), Fort Lee, Va.

In 1997 he was assigned to Camp Casey, South Korea, as the Area I MWR Services Division Chief. After completing LEDC in 2000 he was assigned to Doha, Qatar as the Civilian Executive Assistant and charged with establishing an Army Pre-Positioned War Reserve (APS-5) site. Lou returned to the United States after being selected as the Headquarters Battalion Executive Officer, Fort Myer, Va. in July 2001. He spearheaded the movement of activated National Guard units into the Military District of Washington, (MDW) for providing Pentagon security during the aftermath of the 9/11 attack. He established a Reception, Staging, Onward Movement and Integration (RSOI) platform for the constant troop movement requirements within and around the MDW. He received the Civilian Superior Performance Medal for his contribution during the 9/11 crisis.

In 2003 he was selected for and reassigned to Fort Greely, Alaska as the Deputy Garrison

Commander (DGC) operating under a Presidential Directive to reestablish a fully functional and operational garrison at an installation closed under the 1995 BRAC action for the purpose of providing BASOPs for the construction of a tier 1 Anti-Ballistic Missile Defense national asset with a fully operational requirement of Sept. 30, 2004. He was reassigned under the Civilian Executive Development Program (CEDAP) to Camp Darby, Livorno, Italy as the DGC in September 2009.

Mr. Roach departed Camp Darby in May 2012 and on May 7 assumed duties as deputy garrison commander at USAG Pōhakuloa, Hawaii.