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Colonel Michelle M. Fraley assumed her current position as Director, Capabilities, Development and Integration Directorate (CDID), and temporary appointment as the Deputy Commander, United States Army Signal Center of Excellence and Fort Gordon in July 2011.

Colonel Fraley received her commission as a second lieutenant from West Point. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree with a concentration in Russian and German; a Masters in Business Administration, a Masters of Science in International Relations, a Masters in Strategic Studies, and a Doctorate of Management in Organizational Leadership. She is a graduate of the Signal Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, the Command and General Staff College and the Joint Staff Officer Course, and the Navy War College.

Colonel Fraley was the Chief of Staff, U. S. Army Network Enterprise Technology Command (NETCOM), Fort Huachuca, prior to taking her current assignment. Her first assignment was to the United States Army Information Systems Command-South, Fort Clayton, Republic of Panama. Among the positions she held during her tenure at USAISC-SOUTH, was that of Commander, Headquarters and Headquarters Company. After attending the Signal Officer Advanced Course, COL Fraley was assigned to the United States Transportation Command (USTRANSCOM), Scott Air Force Base, Ill. During her three-year tour, she served as the Executive Officer for the USTRANSCOM J-6 and Project Officer for the software development of the Joint Operations Planning and Execution System (JOPES). She was then assigned to the 56th Signal Battalion and 106th Signal Brigade where she held the positions of Assistant S-3 in 1992 and 1994 respectively. In 1995, COL Fraley assumed command of the 69th Signal Company. After attending the Command and General Staff College and the Joint Staff Officer Course, she was assigned to LANDCENT Signal Group (NATO) in April 1997 where she deployed as part of the Bosnia Stabilization Force (SFOR). In September 1998, she assumed command of the 414th Signal Company (Separate), and deployed in support of the Kosovo Force (KFOR). She reported to the White House Communications Agency in May 2000 where she served as a Presidential Communications Officer until June 2002. Her fourth command was the 69th Signal Battalion from July 2002 to July 2004, with a subsequent assignment to 5th Signal Command as the Director, Plans and Programs, and G-3. She was Brigade Commander of the Defense Information Systems Agency-Europe from July 2007 to August 2009.

COL Fraley's awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Joint Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, NATO Medal, and Presidential Service Badge.