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BIOGRAPHY
Francis J. Wiercinski
LIEUTENANT GENERAL
Commanding General

Lieutenant General Francis "Frank" Wiercinski, is a native of Dickson City, Pa., and is a 1979 graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, N.Y. Commissioned a Second Lieutenant of Infantry, he has commanded at every level – Rifle and Scout Platoon Leader, through two-star command. He is a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College (1992), at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and the U.S. Army War College (1998), at Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

In addition to Rifle Company Command in the 25th Infantry Division (1983-1984), LTG Wiercinski commanded the 6th Ranger Training Battalion stationed at Eglin AFB, Fla. (1995-1997). His combat operational commands include: Ranger Company Command in the 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment during OPERATION JUST CAUSE, in Panama (1989-1990); Brigade Combat Team Commander, 3rd Brigade "RAKKASANS," 101st Airborne Division (AASLT), during OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, and OPERATION ANACONDA, Afghanistan (2001-2002); and as the Deputy Commanding General – Multinational Division-North, during OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq (2006-2007), as part of the 25th Infantry Division's combat deployment.

He also has served as the Deputy Regimental Commander, 75th Ranger Regiment (1998-1999), Fort Benning, Ga.; the Deputy Commanding General (Support), 25th Infantry Division (2005-2006); and as the Deputy Commanding General, U.S. Army Pacific (2007-2008), Fort Shafter, Hawaii. His key staff assignments included: Operations Officer (S3) at both the Battalion and Brigade level (1993-1995); Deputy Chief of Staff (G3) of the 101st Airborne Division (AASLT) (1999-2000); Director of Regional Operations, Special Operations Division, (J3) The Joint Staff (2002-2003); and as the Principal Director, Near East-South Asian Affairs, Office of the Secretary of Defense (2003-2005).

LTG Wiercinski most recently served as the Commanding General of U.S. Army-Japan and I Corps Forward, stationed at Camp Zama, Japan (2008-2010), and has just returned as the Acting Senior Commander for Fort Campbell, Ky.

In addition to other awards and decorations, he has been awarded the Distinguished Service Medal, the Bronze Star Medal with "V," the Combat Infantryman's Badge with Star, the Master Parachutists Badge with Bronze Combat Jump Star, and the U.S. Army Ranger Tab. LTG Wiercinski also has been awarded the "Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star" Government of Japan, and the Meritorious Service Medal of Canada