

LTC Donovan D. Ollar 4-1 BSTB Commander



Lt. Col. Ollar was born in Colorado, and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the US Army Corps of Engineers after graduating from the United States Military Academy in May 1993. Prior to his assignment to the 4th Brigade Special Troops Battalion, 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, Lt. Col. Ollar served as the battalion executive officer and operations officer for the 84th Engineer Battalion "Never Daunted" at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

His previous assignments include: maneuver planner with the 25th Infantry Division; project engineer with the Far East District, Korea; Engineer Captain's Career Course Small Group Instructor; Aide de Camp, CG MANSCEN; company commander for C/35 and E/169; program manager with MANSCEN Battle Lab; Task Force Engineer for the 1/509 Parachute Infantry Regiment; battalion civil engineer, company executive officer and platoon leader for the 46th Engineer Battalion.

His deployments include: Uphold Democracy, Haiti (95-96); OEF, Philippines (04); OEF Afghanistan (04-05); OIF (06-07); OIF, (08-09).

Lt. Col. Ollar earned a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Civil Engineering from the United States Military Academy and a Master's of Science Degree in Engineering Management from the University of Missouri at Rolla. He is also a graduate of the Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan., the Engineer Officer Basic and Engineer Captains Career Course, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. He is a licensed professional engineer in the State of Missouri.

Lt. Col. Ollar's military awards and decorations include: the Bronze Star Medal (2OLC), the Meritorious Service Medal (2OLC), the Army Commendation Medal (1OLC), the Joint Services Achievement Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the National Defense Service Medal (w/ BS), the Iraqi Campaign Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Korean Defense Service Medal and the United Nations Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal. He has also earned the Combat Action Badge, the Parachutists Badge and Air Assault Badge.