

Col. Eric McFadden

Col. Eric McFadden attended Arizona State University and was commissioned upon graduation as an Engineer Second Lieutenant on 13 June 1993. He completed the Engineer Officer Basic Course in December 1993 and was subsequently assigned to the 20th Engineer Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, where he served as a Company Executive Officer, Support Platoon Leader, Maintenance Platoon Leader, Assault & Obstacle Platoon Leader and Line Platoon Leader until April 1997. Following completion of the Infantry Advanced Course and the Combined Armed Services Staff School, Col. McFadden then held the position of Assistant Brigade Engineer for the 3 Brigade Combat Team, 1st



Infantry Division. In April 1999, Col. McFadden took command of Alpha Company, 82nd Engineer Battalion, 1st Infantry Division, where he deployed his company to Kosovo in support of Operation Joint Guardian. There, he reorganized his company to fight as Infantry, resulting in the main effort of the Task Force Falcon, which provided stability and security to a contested region.

Upon completion of company command, Col. McFadden served as an Aide-de-Camp. After earning a Master's degree in Construction Management from Arizona State University, he was assigned to the Army Corps of Engineers Baltimore District as a Forward Engineer Support Team Leader, providing support to the 10th Mountain Division, CJTF 180 and assisting the Afghanistan National Army with engineering support in warfighting operations. Col. McFadden was then assigned as Deputy District Engineer for Baltimore District, where he managed a military and civilian workforce of more than 1,200 personnel responsible for planning, engineering, design, construction, real estate and regulatory activities in excess of \$850 million annually. He then attended the Marine Corps Command and Staff College and completed a Master's Degree in Military Studies with emphasis in counter insurgency. Col. McFadden was later assigned as the Brigade Engineer for the 502nd Regimental Combat Team (2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (AASLT)), attached to Multinational Division - Baghdad, Operation Iraqi Freedom, where he supported the Brigade's Counterinsurgency Strategy. Integrating Essential Services with Information Operations, Psychological Operations and Governance, he facilitated the restoration of local and regional governance in the South Baghdad area of operations. Col. McFadden then reported to the Asymmetric Warfare Group (AWG) in January 2007. While assigned to D Squadron, AWG, Col. McFadden served as the Concept's Troop Commander and the Emerging Threats Chief.

From 2009 to 2011, he commanded D Squadron with multiple deployments to Iraq, Afghanistan and other areas around the globe. Following command, Colonel McFadden was assigned to the Joint Multinational Readiness Center in Hohenfels, Germany, as the Senior Special Troops Task Force Trainer. He graduated U.S. Army War College in 2014 and was assigned as the Deputy Division Commander for South Pacific Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Col. McFadden has one daughter, Marissa age 13.