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SPECIAL WARFARE CENTER AND SCHOOL

## **BG MICHAEL D. TURELLO** **Deputy Commanding General** **U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special** **Warfare Center and School**

Brigadier General Michael D. Turello received his commission in 1983 as an Infantry officer in the United States Marine Corps through the Platoon Leaders Course. Following tours with 3rd Marine Regiment and Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, he joined the Mississippi National Guard and the 20th Special Forces Group (Airborne) in 1990.



Brig. Gen. Turello served 10 years as a traditional Guardsman, mobilizing twice for Operations Desert Storm and Uphold Democracy. In 2000, he became a fulltime Title 10 Active Guard/Reserve (AGR) and served in a variety of special operations staff assignments at Headquarters Department of the Army; Army National Guard; Special Operations Command Central; the United States Army Special Operations Command including tours in Afghanistan and Iraq.

General Turello transferred to the Utah National Guard and served as Commander, 19th Special Forces Group. During this time he deployed as Commander, Special Operations Command and Control Element-Horn of Africa, Djibouti, and was later dual-hatted to establish and command the AFRICOM's Counter Lord's Resistance Army Control Element for Operation Observant Compass.

In 2014, Brig. Gen. Turello was promoted to his current rank and assumed the duties of Deputy Commanding General, United States Army Special Forces Command (Airborne) and subsequently deployed for Operation Inherent Resolve to command Special Operations Joint Task Force-Iraq. In February 2016, Brig. Gen. Turello joined the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School's command team as the Deputy Commanding General.

Brig. Gen. Turello's awards include multiple Joint, Service and Reserve Component decorations, the Special Forces Tab, Ranger Tab and the Combat Infantry Badge.

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