



## Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Eichburg 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 18<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment Battalion Commander

Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Eichburg attended the United States Military Academy in West Point, NY. Upon his graduation he attended the Armor Officer Basic Course and Ranger School. Upon graduation from Ranger School he was assigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> BN, 37<sup>th</sup> AR Regt, 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division in Vilseck, Germany where he served as a Tank and Scout platoon leader deploying once to Bosnia. Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Eichburg then attended the Armor Officer Advanced Course and the Combined Arms Service Staff School (CAS3). Following completion of those courses he was assigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> BDE, 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division in Fort Hood, TX where he served as the BDE S4, tank company and HHC commander. During his duty as BDE S4 the brigade executed a successful Bosnia deployment. Following his command time, Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Eichburg was assigned to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, 395<sup>th</sup> Regt, 75<sup>th</sup> Division (AC/RC) in Fort Hood, TX where he served as a company team leader and battalion S3.

Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Eichburg was then selected to attend the Command and General Staff College in Fort Leavenworth, KS and a year later was accepted into the School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS). Following his graduation from SAMS in 2005 Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Eichburg was assigned a contingency operations planner in the V Corps HQ in Heidelberg, Germany and deployed with the V Corps HQ to Baghdad, Iraq. In July of 2006 Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Eichburg took over as the Executive Officer for the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regt in Ramadi, Iraq and served as the XO until his assumption of the duties as the Brigade Operations Officer (S3) in May 2007 in Baumholder, Germany. Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Eichburg served as the Brigade S3 for 20 months which included the brigade's 2008 deployment to the Mada'in Qada in Iraq. Since 15 July 09 Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Eichburg has served as the battalion commander for the newly reflagged 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 18<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regt, VANGUARDS, in Baumholder, Germany.

Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Eichburg has attended civilian and military schools and training programs to include: The Armor officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Ranger School, Airborne School, the Scout Platoon Leader's Course, Combined Arms Services Staff School, the M1A2 Tank Commander's Certification Course, Command and General Staff College and the School of Advanced Military Studies. He received his Bachelor's degree from the United States Military Academy in 1993 and a Master's in Education from the University of St. Marys in 2004.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star (1OLC), Meritorious Service Medal (1OLC), Army Commendation Medal (1OLC), Army Achievement Medal (3OLC), National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Ribbon (2OLC), Humanitarian Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (1OLC), NATO medal, Ranger Tab, Combat Action Badge, and the parachutist badge, and the Orders of Saint George and St Maurice.