



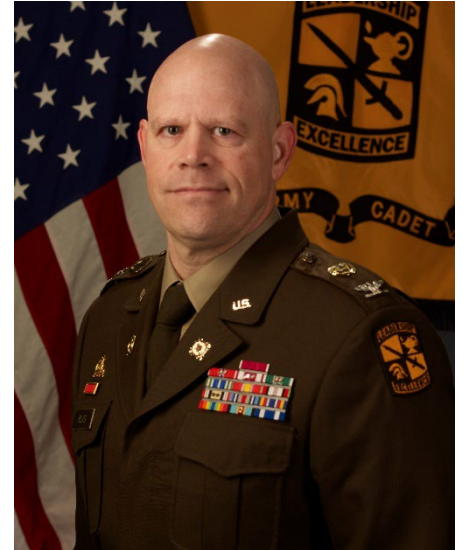
COLONEL GEORGE J. PLYS

Brigade Commander

8th Brigade, U.S. Army Cadet Command, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash.

Colonel George J. Plys was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant from Washington State University in May 2001, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice. He also holds a Master's degree in Organizational Leadership from Gonzaga University.

Col. Plys' key assignments include: Truck Platoon Leader, 57th Transportation Battalion; 365th Movement Control Team Commander, 57th Transportation Battalion; 1st Maintenance Company Commander, 541st Combat Sustainment Support Battalion; SFAT Team Chief, 4th Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division; Brigade S-4, 4th Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division; Executive Officer, 46th Aviation Support Battalion, 16th Combat Aviation Brigade; Executive Officer, U.S. Army Garrison Alaska; Professor of Military Science, University of Alaska, U.S. Army Cadet Command; Commander 1-315th Brigade Support Battalion, 174th Infantry Brigade; Transportation Branch Chief, Enlisted Personnel Management Directorate, U.S. Army Human Resources Command; and 673rd Air Base Deputy Wing/Joint Base Commander, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson.



Col. Plys deployed as the Operations Officer of the 265th Movement Control Team, to Baghdad, Iraq from July 2003 to March 2004; Support Operations Transportation Officer, 541st CSSB in Baghdad, Iraq from September 2006 to August 2007; Plans Officer, 593rd Sustainment Brigade at Camp Arifjan, Kuwait, from June 2009 to May 2010; SFAT Team Chief with the 4th Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division in Panjwai, Afghanistan from October 2012 to July 2013; and Executive Officer, 46th Aviation Support Battalion, 16th Combat Aviation Brigade in Kandahar, Afghanistan, from May to September 2014.

His military awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Overseas Service Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, and the NATO Medal.