LIEUTENANT COLONEL BRENDEN B. BURSON Commander, 765th Transportation (Terminal) Battalion



Lieutenant Colonel Brenden B. Burson was born in Las Vegas, Nevada, and grew up in Honolulu, Hawaii. He commissioned as a Second Lieutenant through the Early Commissioning Program in May 2005. His civilian education includes an Associate in Arts Degree in Liberal Arts from the New Mexico Military Institute, a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Portland State University, and a Master of Science Degree in Supply Chain Management from the University of Kansas. His military education includes the Basic

Officer Leader's Course at Fort Sill, Oklahoma Ordnance Officer Basic Course at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, Combined Logistics Captains Career Course at Fort Lee, Virginia, Recruiting Operations Officer Course and Recruiting Company Commander Course at Fort Knox, Kentucky, Theater Sustainment Planner Course, Support Operations Course, and the Command and General Staff Officer Course at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

LTC Burson's previous assignments include Platoon Leader for Bravo Company, 41st Special Troops Battalion in the Oregon Army National Guard followed by transition to Active Duty with an assignment to 172nd Support Battalion, 172nd Infantry Brigade at Schweinfurt, Germany. He served as the Brigade Maintenance Officer and deployed to Forward Operating Base (FOB) Kalsu, Iraq, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Later, he was assigned as Platoon Leader and Company Executive Officer for Bravo Company. He next assumed command of the 172nd Support Battalion Rear Detachment. His next assignment was as the 172nd Support Battalion S-3 followed by assignment as the Battalion S-4 where he deployed to FOB Sharana, Afghanistan, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. While deployed he assumed duties as the Transportation and Aerial Delivery Officer for the brigade. His next assignment was as Commander, Echo Forward Support Company, 2nd Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade, 4th Infantry Division at Fort Carson, Colorado. He deployed his company to Camp Buehring, Kuwait, in support of Operation Spartan Shield. Following this command, he was assigned as the Operations Officer and District Commander for Dakota District, Minneapolis Recruiting Battalion at Sioux Falls, South Dakota. His next assignment was at Camp Zama, Japan, where he served in the 35th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion as Executive Officer and Support Operations Officer. He then served as the J-4 Logistics Plans Officer at NATO's Multinational Corps- Northeast in Szczecin, Poland. His previous assignment was Materiel Management Branch Chief at 19th Expeditionary Sustainment Command in Camp Henry (Daegu), Republic of Korea.

LTC Burson's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, one oak leaf cluster (OLC); Defense Meritorious Service Medal; Meritorious Service Medal, four OLC; Army Commendation Medal, two OLC; Army Achievement Medal, two OLC; Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Afghanistan Campaign Medal; Iraq Campaign Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal; Armed Forces Service Medal; Army Service Ribbon; Overseas Service Ribbon, sixth award; North Atlantic Treaty Organization Medal; Meritorious Unit Citation, two OLC; Army Superior Unit Award; US Army Basic Recruiter Badge-Silver.

LTC Burson is married to the former Ms. Katie Jo Parke of Denton, Maryland, and they have two daughters, Louisa and Zuzu.