



160TH SPECIAL OPERATIONS AVIATION REGIMENT

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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COL. ANDREW N. MILANI

Commanding Officer / 9th colonel of the regiment

Assumed command on July 2, 2003

Col. Andrew N. Milani was born at Fort Lewis, Wash., on October 18, 1959. Upon graduation from Loyola University of Chicago in 1981, he was commissioned through the Reserve Officer Training Corps as an infantry second lieutenant. He has earned a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting from Loyola and a Master of Science degree in business from Webster University. His military education includes the Infantry Officer Basic Course, the Aviation Officer Advanced Course, the Command and General Staff College, the Armed Forces Staff College, the U.S. Army War College, and the Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape course. His rotary-wing aircraft qualifications include the UH-1 Iroquois, UH-60A/L Black Hawk, CH-47 Chinook, MH-6J Little Bird, MH-60L Black Hawk, and the MH47E Chinook.



Milani's past assignments include: platoon leader and executive officer, 48th Avn. Co., 11th Avn. Bn., 12th Avn Bde, Wiesbaden, Germany; executive officer, operations officer, 129th Special Operations Aviation Company (Airborne), Hunter Army Air Field, Ga.; operations officer, 3rd Battalion, Company A, 160th SOAG, Hunter AAF, Ga.; special operations aviation analyst, U.S. Special Operations Command, JMA, MacDill Air Force Base, Fla.; assistant S-3, 3rd Battalion, 160th SOAR, Hunter AAF, Ga.; company commander and executive officer, 3rd Battalion, 160th SOAR, King Khalid Military City, Saudi Arabia; special operations aviation action officer, The Joint Staff, J-33 Special Operations Division, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.; S-3, 3rd Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, Hunter AAF, Ga.; battalion operations officer, 1st Battalion, 160th SOAR, Fort Campbell, Ky.; S-3, Flight Concepts Division, Aviation Applied Technologies Directorate, Fort Eustis, Va.; commander, 2nd Battalion, 160th SOAR Fort Campbell, Ky.; chief of staff, JTF-JA, Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina; deputy J-5, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, N.C.; and student, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

His awards and decorations include: the Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters, Meritorious Service Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Southwest Asia Service Medal, NATO Medal, Kuwaiti Liberation Medal, the Master Army Aviator Badge, the Expert Infantry Badge, Joint Staff Identification Badge, the Parachutist Badge and the Air Assault Badge.