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## US Army Garrison Fort Campbell Change of Command Ceremony

WHAT: Change of Command from Col. Christopher J. Midberry to Col. James M. Snowden
WHO: Media are invited to cover the ceremony
WHEN: 10 a.m. Wednesday June 18
WHERE: 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division Headquarters, McAuliffe Hall, 2700 Indiana Ave., Fort Campbell, Ky.
RELATED INFO: U.S. Army Garrison Fort Campbell will bid farewell to Col. Christopher J. Midberry and welcome Col. James M. Snowden June 18 at 10 a.m. during a Change of Command ceremony.

Snowden was commissioned in 2002 as an Aviation officer from The United States Military Academy at West Point, New York. He holds a Bachelor of Science from West Point and a Master of Arts in Adult Education from Kansas State University. He served in a variety of command and staff assignments in Aviation and Special Operations units. His most recent assignment was battalion commander of Task Force 1-160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne).

Fort Campbell is the nation's premier power projection platform. Strategically located on the Tennessee-Kentucky state line, the 105,000-acre installation possesses a unique capability to deploy mission-ready contingency forces by air, rail, highway and inland waterway. Fort Campbell supports the 3rd largest military population in the Army and serves a population of more than 190,000 including active-duty Soldiers and their Family members, the civilian workforce, retirees and their Family members.

Outgoing commander Col. Midberry is headed to Washington D.C. to serve as the Chief of Staff to the Military District of Washington, Joint Task Force, National Capital Region. As the garrison commander, Midberry oversaw the garrison through response efforts to the Dec. 9, 2023, tornado in Clarksville, Tennessee; the response efforts to floods in Oak Grove, Kentucky, and Clarksville, Tennessee, in

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February and April 2025; the upgrade of the TC Freeman (Gate 4) Visitor Control Center; the completion of new homes for junior enlisted families; the renovation of Vietnam-Era barracks; the signing of seven of nine of Fort Campbell's active Intergovernmental Support Agreements with community partners (three renewals and four new); and more.

"You're all unsung heroes," said Midberry June 3 during his final garrison employee town hall. "Make no mistake; the units on this installation are charged with preparing for war and they are the best in the Army. They are the best in the Army and you, every single person in this room, plays a role in enabling those units to prepare for war...It's one team with one goal to support the warfighter and their families. The units on this installation will answer the call like they always have. I want to say thank you for that and never forget what you do has strategic implications and is strategically important."

**MEDIA:** Media interested in attending the event should RSVP to Nondice Thurman via email at nondice.l.thurman.civ@army.mil or phone at 931-561-0131 no later than 3 p.m. Monday, June 16. Media will meet with the PAO escort at the Gate 7 Visitor Control Center, 7199 Glider Road, at 9 a.m. June 18. Media must obtain a visitor pass; passes can be obtained the day of the event at the visitor control center or online at <u>https://pass.aie.army.mil/</u>.

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