Lieutenant Colonel Phillip Palomo II is a native of San Antonio, TX. He enlisted in the Army Reserve in 1989 and served as a Transportation Movement Specialist (88N). His enlisted duty assignments include serving in various units in TX; he deployed in support of Operation Desert Shield/Storm.

In 2002, Lieutenant Colonel Palomo entered active duty as a Specialist and deployed twice with Division Support Command, 3rd Infantry Division, Ft. Stewart, GA in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom I and III. Lieutenant Colonel Palomo was selected to attend Officer Candidate School (OCS) 2006 and was commissioned as a Transportation Corps Officer. His initial assignment was with the 7th Sustainment Brigade, Fort Eustis, VA. His duties included Operations Officer in the 155th Inland Cargo Transfer Company, Company Executive Officer in the 73th Transportation Company, with 10th Transportation Battalion; Detachment Commander, 622th Movement Control Team, 49th Movement Control Battalion, Ft. Eustis, VA and Operation Iraqi Freedom 09-10, Iraq. His other assignments include Aide-de-Camp to the ASC Deputy Commanding General, Army Sustainment Command, Rock Island, IL; Support Operations Plans Officer, 19th Expeditionary Sustainment Command, Daegu, Republic of Korea; Deputy Materiel Management Branch, Support Operations, 21th Theater Sustainment Command, Panzer Kaserne, Germany. Battalion Executive Officer and S3 Operations Officer, 39th Movement Control Battalion, 16th Sustainment Brigade, Kaiserslautern, Germany; Deputy Support Operations Officer, 407th Army Field Support Brigade, Fort Cavazos, TX. He most recently served as the Operational Analytics and Assessments Branch Chief, TCJ38, U.S. Transportation Command (USTRANSCOM), Scott AFB, IL.

Lieutenant Colonel Palomo's military education and schools include Officer Candidate School, Transportation Officer Basic Course Distinguished Honor Graduate, Logistics Captains Career Course, Support Operations Course, Army Command and General Staff College, Joint and Combined Warfighting School. Lieutenant Colonel Palomo graduated with honors from Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX with a Bachelor of Arts degree. He also earned a Master of Science in Administration degree from Central Michigan University.

Lieutenant Colonel Palomo's individual awards include the Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal (w/3 OLC), Army Good Conduct Medal. His unit awards include the Presidential Unit Citation and Meritorious Unit Citation. He is the recipient of the Ancient Order of Saint Christopher.

Lieutenant Colonel Palomo and his wife of 35 years have 4 children and 7 grandchildren.