

## **Colonel Charles S. Armstrong**

**Commander, 1<sup>st</sup> Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division**

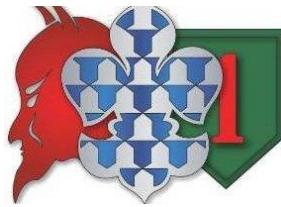
Colonel Charles S. Armstrong was commissioned an Armor Officer upon graduating from the United States Military Academy in 1993.

His assignments include 2nd Battalion, 72nd Armor and 5th Squadron, 17th Cavalry in the Republic of Korea as a Tank Platoon Leader.



Following return to the United States, he was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 8th Cavalry at Fort Hood, Texas, serving as a Tank Platoon Leader, Mortar Platoon Leader, and Battalion S1. After completing the Armor Officer's Advanced Course and Cavalry Leader Course, he was assigned to the 4th Squadron, 7th Cavalry in the Republic of Korea where he served as the Squadron Maintenance Officer. Upon return to the United States, he was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 68th Armor at Fort Carson, Colorado, serving as the Battalion Maintenance Officer and Charlie Company Commander. He was then assigned as the Commander of the Brigade Reconnaissance Troop, (B Troop, 9th Cavalry) for the 3rd Heavy Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division. Upon completion of command, he was assigned to the 4th Infantry Division Headquarters at Fort Hood, Texas where he served as the Aide-de-Camp to the Commanding General.

After graduating from Command and General Staff College and the School of Advanced Military Studies, Col. Armstrong was assigned to the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, Texas as a Maneuver Planner in the Division G5. He later served as the S3 for the 6th Squadron, 9th Cavalry before being assigned as the 3rd Heavy Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division S3 and later Executive Officer. Col. Armstrong served as the 1st Cavalry Division G5 prior to assuming command of the 1st Combined Arms Battalion, 64th Armor at Fort Stewart, Georgia. Following command, he served as the 3rd Infantry Division G3. His most recent assignment is as a Command Center Director for the North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) and United



States Northern Command (USNORTHCOM). His operation deployments include three tours in Iraq and one tour in Afghanistan.

Col. Armstrong holds a Bachelor of Science in International Relations from the United States Military Academy, a Masters of Military Arts and Sciences from the School of Advanced Military Studies, and a Masters in Strategic Plans and Policy from the Joint Advanced Warfighting School.

His awards and decorations include the Joint Superior Service Medal, the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Combat Action Badge, and Parachutist Badge.