



COL CHESLEY D. THIGPEN

COMMANDANT ADJUTANT GENERAL SCHOOL



Colonel Chesley D. Thigpen Jr. is a native of South Carolina and assumed duties as the Chief, Adjutant General's Corps and Commandant Adjutant General School on 7 July 2022. He enlisted as a Personnel Administrative Specialist (75B) in 1988 and commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Adjutant General's Corps through Officer Candidate School, Fort Moore, GA (formerly Fort Benning, GA) in 1998.

Colonel Thigpen holds an Associate and Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from St. Leo University, FL, a Master's of Business Administration in Public Management from Touro University, CA, a Master's in Defense and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College, RI, and a Master's in National Security Strategic Studies from The National War College, D.C.

Colonel Thigpen's most recent assignment was Commander, 733d Mission Support Group (Garrison), Joint Base Langley-Eustis, VA. His previous command and staff assignments include: Chief, Enlisted Accessions, Directorate of Military Personnel Management, Army G1, Pentagon; J1 Plans and Operations, U.S. INDO-PACOM, Camp Smith, Hawaii; Battalion Commander, 4th Special Troops Battalion, Fort Carson, CO; Executive Officer to the Director, Enlisted Personnel Management Directorate, and Adjutant General's Corps Branch Assignment Officer, Officer Personnel Management Directorate, Army Human Resources Command, Fort Knox, KY; Regiment S1 and 1st Battalion S1, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Abn), Fort Campbell, KY; Division Strength Manager, 82nd Airborne Division G1; Commander, B Company, Battalion S1 and Assistant S3, 82nd Soldier Support Battalion (Abn); and Assistant Group S3, 18th Soldier Support Group (Abn), Fort Liberty, NC (formerly Fort Bragg, NC).

Colonel Thigpen's enlisted assignments included tours with the 3rd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Liberty, NC, 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, GA, and 151st Field Artillery Brigade, South Carolina Army National Guard.

Colonel Thigpen is married and they have three adult children: one son, two daughters, and one granddaughter.