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Colonel Kimo Galahue enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1983 and graduated from the Defense Language Institute's (DLI) Chinese Mandarin Course in Monterey, CA in 1985. While at DLI he applied, and was accepted to the United States Military Academy Preparatory School. In 1986 Col. Galahue entered the United States Military Academy at West Point. He graduated in 1990 and received a Regular Army commission in the Infantry.

Col. Galahue's first assignment was with the 1st Battalion, 18th Infantry Regiment, 197th Separate Infantry Brigade at Fort Benning, Georgia where he served as a Rifle Platoon Leader, Scout Platoon Leader, and Company Executive Officer. In 1995 following the Infantry Officers Advanced Course, he was assigned to the Southern European Task Force in Vicenza Italy initially serving as the Aide-de Camp to the Commanding General then as Commander, Company C, 1st Battalion, 508th Airborne Battalion Combat Team. In 1998 he returned to the continental United States with an assignment to the Joint Readiness Training Center at Fort Polk, Louisiana, serving as an Observer / Controller in Live Fire Division, the Brigade Staff Team, and in Exercise / Maneuver Control until the summer of 2001.

In June From summer of 2001 to the summer of 2003, Col. Galahue was selected for and attended the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and, subsequently, the School for Advanced Military Studies at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. In July 2003 Galahue was assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division where he served as the Operations Officer, BN S3, for 1st Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment during OIF 1 in Baghdad, Iraq. Upon redeployment to Fort Bragg, North Carolina he served as the Operations Officer, BDE S3, for 2nd Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division. In 2005 he was assigned to XVIII Airborne Corps / Multi-National Corps, Iraq (MNC-I) for OIF 3 once again in Baghdad, Iraq and served as the Maneuver Planner until redeployment in 2006. He then assumed duties as the XVIII Airborne Corps G3, Chief of Training until May 2007.

2007, he took command of 2 Battalion. 87 Infantry Regiment in 3rd Brigade, 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry) at Fort Drum, NY. As the commander of Task Force 2- 87 IN, he deployed the battalion to Wardak Province, Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom from January 2009 until January 2010. After battalion command, Col. Galahue was selected and attended the U.S. Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, PA. In September of 2011, following the War College, he assumed command of the 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Light Infantry) of the 3rd Infantry Division stationed at Fort Stewart, GA. In March of 2013 he deployed the brigade, again to the same region of Afghanistan, this time with responsibilities in both Wardak and Logar Provinces. He then served at the Pentagon assigned to the Joint Staff, J-5, as the Assistant Deputy Director, Joint Strategic Plans, from July 2014 to July 2016. From August, 2016 to July 2018 he commanded the Mission Command Training Program headquartered at Fort Leavenworth, KS.

Col. Galahue is a Graduate of the Infantry Officers Basic and Advanced Course, the Scout Platoon Leaders Course, the Defense Language Institute, the Command and General Staff

College, the School for Advanced Military Studies, the U.S. Army War College, and the British Higher Command and Staff Course. His awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit (w/ OLC), the Bronze Star Medal (w/ 3 OLC), the Meritorious Service Medal (w/ 4 OLC), the Joint Staff Identification Badge, the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Expert Infantryman Badge, the Master Parachutist Badge, and Ranger Tab. He and the former Ms. Kristy Jones of Columbus GA have been married for 23 years. They have three daughters – Georgia Mae, Carter Belle, and Avery Rose.