



U.S. ARMY SUSTAINMENT COMMAND

Colonel James Kinkade Commander, 402nd Army Field Support Brigade

Colonel James Kinkade assumed command of the 402nd Army Field Support Brigade July 2013.

COL Kinkade was commissioned into the Transportation Corps as a Distinguished Military Graduate from the University of Southern California. During his company-grade years, he served as a Platoon Leader in the 270th Transportation Detachment (Air Terminal) and then the 501st Transportation Company, in Kaiserslautern, Germany. He was Executive Officer of the 89th Transportation Company (Nuclear Surety) and Operations Officer for the 37th Transportation Command, also in Kaiserslautern. He deployed as Logistics Planner for Combined Joint Task Force PROVIDE COMFORT, the multi-national operation that rescued Kurdish refugees in Iraq and Turkey. After that deployment, he served as Company Commander for the 109th Transportation Company (POL) and Operations Officer for the 28th Transportation Battalion, in Mannheim, Germany. He began his field-grade years as Chief of the Movements Branch and Course Manager for all officer training at the U.S. Army Transportation School, Fort Eustis, Va. He was later Group Transportation Officer for the 101st Corps Support Group (Air Assault), and then Support Operations Officer and Executive Officer for the 801st Main Support Battalion, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), at Fort Campbell, Ky. He also served as Assignment Officer, U.S. Army Human Resources Command, in Alexandria, Va. After promotion to lieutenant colonel, COL Kinkade commanded the 123rd Main Support Battalion, 1st Armored Division, in Dexheim, Germany. Following battalion command, he served as Division G-4 for 1st Armored Division, which at that time comprised 11 brigades and over 28,000 soldiers. After Senior Service College, he completed a joint assignment as Commander of the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) field activity at Hill AFB, Utah.



COL Kinkade holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting from the University of Southern California, a Master of Science Degree in Transportation and Logistics Management from the Naval Postgraduate School, and a Master of Science Degree in National Resource Strategy from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.

His awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with 6 Oak Leaf Clusters, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Achievement Medal, the Humanitarian Service Medal, the Parachutist Badge, and the Air Assault Badge.

COL Kinkade is married and has two children.

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