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## Major General Omar J. Jones, IV

MG Omar Jones was commissioned into the infantry in 1992 from the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York.

Following basic officer training at Fort Benning, Georgia, he was assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division, where he led three platoons, served as a battalion staff officer, and deployed to the Mexican border in support of Joint Task Force 6 and to Panama for Operation Safe Haven.

Starting in December 1996, he served in the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, Texas, where he served as a brigade staff officer and commanded two companies. He deployed as a rifle company commander to Bosnia-Herzegovina in support of Operation Joint Forge. After advanced civil schooling, MG Jones served as a strategist on the Army Staff.

In 2004, MG Jones was assigned to 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, Washington as a battalion operations officer. He deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and conducted combat operations in Baghdad, Fallujah, and Mosul. Upon redeployment, MG Jones was assigned as a battalion executive officer and later as the brigade operations officer.

In April 2006, the brigade reflagged to the 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment and restationed to Vilseck, Germany. MG Jones served as the Regimental Operations Officer, Executive Officer, then Deputy Commanding Officer. He deployed to Iraq with the Regiment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. MG Jones then commanded 2nd Squadron, 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment from January 2009 to July 2011 and deployed to Afghanistan in support Operation Enduring Freedom.

After graduating from the National War College, MG Jones commanded 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division and deployed to Kuwait in support of Operation Spartan Shield.

Following brigade command, he served as the Executive Officer to the Commanding General, U.S. Central Command at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Florida. Later, he served as the Deputy Commanding General for Operations of the 7<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division at Joint Base Lewis McChord. Most recently he served as the Army Chief of Public Affairs.

MG Jones is a graduate of Infantry Officer Basic Course, Infantry Officer Advanced Course, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, and Command and General Staff College. Additionally, he holds a bachelor's degree in Operations Research from the U.S. Military Academy, a master's degree in Public Administration from Harvard University, and a master's degree in National Security Strategy from the National War College.