## Colonel Chad G. Carroll Public Affairs Director, USFK / CFC / UNC

Colonel Chad G. Carroll is a native of Cleburne, Texas and was commissioned as an Engineer officer in 1994 upon graduation from the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York.

As a company-grade officer, COL Carroll was stationed in Korea (44<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion), Fort Campbell, Kentucky (326<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion), Fort Stewart, Georgia (92<sup>nd</sup> Engineer Battalion), and Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri (Maneuver Support Center).

In 2007, COL Carroll was assigned to Fort Hood, Texas and deployed with the 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division twice – once to Iraq ('08-'09) in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and to eastern Afghanistan ('11-'12) in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. COL Carroll then served at the Pentagon in the U.S. Army's Office of the Chief of Public Affairs, as the Executive Officer to the Army's Chief of Public Affairs, Director of Army Community Relations, and as public affairs officer to the Army's Vice Chief of Staff.

COL Carroll's formal education includes: a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Science from the United States Military Academy at West Point; a Master of Science degree in Engineering Management from the University of Missouri-Rolla; a Master of Arts degree in Journalism and Mass Communication from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and a Master of Science degree in National Resource Strategy from the Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy at the National Defense University.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Meritorious Service Medal (3), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal (5), Army Achievement Medal (2), the NATO/ISAF Medal, the Army Staff Identification Badge, Army Parachutist badge and Air Assault badge.