AUSTIN, **Texas** (**Feb. 25**, **2023**) – On behalf of Gov. Greg Abbott, the Adjutant General of Texas, Maj. Gen. Thomas M. Suelzer, is pleased to announce the promotion of Texas Army National Guard Brig. Gen. Stephanie A. Purgerson, Deputy Commanding General-ARNG U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command, to the rank of major general.

Purgerson's promotion to major general took place in a ceremony held Feb. 25, 2023, in Dallas. During her remarks she thanked the command group, as well as friends and family for their continued support over the years. Maj. Gen. Thomas M. Suelzer administered the oath of office.

"Thank you for showing me that I have a voice," Purgerson said. "I will use that voice to pave the way for the care of any service member in my charge."

Purgerson has served as the 36th Sustainment Brigade Commander in Temple, Texas; the National Guard Bureau's J1 Chief of Strategy and Policy in Arlington, Virginia; the J5 in Joint Forces Headquarters Texas; Vice Commander of the Joint Enabling Capabilities Command United States Transportation Command, Norfolk, Virginia. Most recently, she transitioned in her current role as Deputy Commanding General-ARNG U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command at Fort Eustis, Virginia.

Purgerson, who is from Erie, Pa, but now resides in Flower Mound, Texas, is a graduate of Clarion University of Pennsylvania with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology. She also holds a Master of Science degree in Engineering Technology from Murray State University of Kentucky and a Master of Strategic Studies from the US Army War College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania. Purgerson's civilian occupation is the Chief Operating Director, Digital Battlespace Platform, Booze Allen Hamilton.

Her awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal (2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters).