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Woodmansee Takes Command of 2nd Regiment

AUSTIN, Texas (**Nov. 23, 2015**) - The 2nd Regiment, Texas State Guard, welcomed a new commander, Col. Robert A. Woodmansee, during an assumption of command ceremony at Camp Swift, in Bastrop, Sept. 19, 2015.

Woodmansee will lead the 2nd Regiment, with headquarters in Gatesville and three battalions in San Marcos, Gatesville and Taylor.

"Leading soldiers is an incredible honor," said Woodmansee. "But more important, I'm looking forward to both serving and learning from these men and women. They are the ones who are known for their selfless contributions, in the Central Texas community, during times of need. It's up to me to show them that I'm worthy to be in their ranks."

Woodmansee received his commission as an armor officer from the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, in 1984. His military schooling includes the Armor Officer Basic and Advance courses, Combined Arms and Services Staff School and the Command and General Staff Officer Course. He is also a graduate of Air Assault, Airborne and Ranger school.

His career includes overseas service in Germany, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iraq and Afghanistan. He has served both on active duty and as a member of the Texas Army National Guard.

His command assignments include commander, A Company, 3rd Battalion, 67th Armor, 2nd Armored Division; commander, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 144 Infantry, 49th Armored Division; commander, 5th Battalion, 112th Armor, 49th Armored Division; commander, 36th Infantry Division Rear Operations Cell; commander, 136th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade; and commander, Camp Eggers in Kabul, Afghanistan.

His operational assignments include three combat tours overseas. In 1990 he deployed for Operation Desert Shield while serving as the Battalion Motor Officer for 3-67 Armor. He later took command of Alpha Company, 3-67 Armor prior to Operation Desert Storm, 1990-1991.

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Texas Military Department Public Affairs P.O. Box 5218, Building 10 Camp Mabry (Austin), Texas 78703 Additionally, he deployed to Iraq with the 1st Cavalry Division, 2009-2010, serving as the Deputy Team Leader for the Baghdad Provincial Reconstruction Team. There, he helped deliver essential services to the Province of Baghdad, as well as supporting State Department mentoring efforts to the local and provincial leaders of Baghdad.

His final deployment with the Texas Army National Guard was with the 136th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, in 2012-2013, where he served as the commander of Camp Eggers in Kabul. He provided life support and security for over 2,500 personnel from over 20 coalition countries.

Woodmansee joined the Texas State Guard as the Army Component Command chief of staff, in February of this year.

Colonel Woodmansee is married to his 5th grade sweetheart, Caree. They have seven children.

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