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EDUCATION

2004-2006 **Johns Hopkins University, School of Advanced International Studies** **Washington, DC**
• Awarded Master of Arts in Strategic Studies with a specialization in Economics and Quantitative Methods in May 2006

1992-1996 **United States Military Academy** **West Point, NY**
• Awarded Bachelor of Science in Mathematical Economics
• 3.76 GPA, Distinguished Military Graduate (Top 5% of Class), Dean's List

EXPERIENCE

2006-Present **United States Military Academy** **West Point, NY**
Instructor of Economics
• Currently instructing 59 cadets in the SS201 Principles of Economics course

2001-2004 **3rd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division** **Samarra and Mosul, Iraq**
Force Modernization Officer **Fort Lewis, WA**
• Responsible for the fielding of new commercial off the shelf (COTS) equipment worth over \$5 million to improve the lethality and survivability of the units within the brigade
• Responsible for the hardening of the brigades' 1000+ vehicle fleet against Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs)

Stryker Rifle Company Commander

- Commanded 177 men, 25 vehicles, and over \$100 million in cutting edge technology and equipment
- Prepared and deployed company to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom without loss of life, limb, equipment or injury

Stryker Battalion Logistics Officer

- Managed \$750,000 annual operating budget
- Planned and supervised the transfer of over 500 pieces of equipment; organized the movement of the entire 700 man battalion and 125-plus pieces of equipment and vehicles for a three week training exercise

1997-2000 **1st Battalion, 508th Infantry (Airborne Battalion Combat Team)** **Vicenza, Italy**
Battalion Adjutant

- Responsible for the day-to-day administrative requirements of an 800 man battalion
- Assisted the Battalion Commander with the implementation of all personnel and legal matters
- Ensured the personnel readiness of the battalion, to include unit deployments to Bosnia and Kosovo

Airborne Battalion Mortar Platoon Leader

- Responsible for improving the performance of the battalion mortar platoon to its highest level in over 2 ½ years based on external evaluations
- Supervised indirect fire support for an 800 man airborne battalion

Airborne Rifle Platoon Leader

- Responsible for the welfare and training of a 39 man airborne rifle platoon
- Developed a Platoon Tactical Standard Operating Procedures (TACSOP) that was adopted across the battalion

OTHER

- Graduate of Infantry Officer's Basic Course, Infantry Captain's Career Course, Combined Arms Staff Service School, Ranger Course, Jumpmaster Course (Distinguished Honor Graduate), Airborne School, Air Assault School, and Infantry Mortar Leader's Course (Honor Graduate)
- Hobbies include golf, woodworking, home improvement, and spending time with family