



## **COLONEL JOHN B. MCSHANE, JR.**

Colonel McShane is the Deputy Commander, US Army Soldier Support Institute. Prior to this current position, Colonel McShane served as an Assistant Director, Military Personnel Policy, in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Reserve Affairs covering personnel policy for all Reserve Components. His past Active Guard Reserve assignments include the Secretary of the General Staff for the Army National Guard Directorate, Arlington, VA. and the Army National Guard Personnel Coordinator to the US Army Forces Command G1/ Personnel Directorate in Fort Bragg, North Carolina. As a state based Guardsman, Colonel McShane served two years as the Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel for the Alaska Army National Guard and the 49<sup>th</sup> Theater Gateway Director.

Before he moved to Alaska, Colonel McShane served in US Embassy, London with the Office of Defense Cooperation and as the Bilateral Affairs Officer, State Partnership Program in US Embassy, Tallinn, Estonia.

Colonel McShane's Army career spans over 33 years and includes enlisted time in the Army Reserve, Active Duty Army platoon leadership in West Germany and command and staff duties in the Army National Guards of four states. Colonel McShane is a member of the Alaska Army National Guard on the Title 10, Active Guard Reserve program.

Colonel McShane has a Bachelors degree in Communications from the University of New Hampshire in Durham, New Hampshire; where he received his commission as an Infantry Officer. He received his Masters degree in Human Resources Development from Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Among Colonel McShane's awards and decorations are: The Defense Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, the Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Army Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal with four oak leaf clusters, the National Defense Service Medal second award, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Armed Forces Reserve Medal with M device, the Overseas Service Ribbon third award, and the Joint Meritorious Unit Award. He also received the Combat Action Badge, the Army Staff Badge and Department of Defense Staff Badge. Colonel McShane is a certified Senior Professional in Human Resources and a member of the Society for Human Resource Management.

Colonel McShane is married and has one son.