

**COL Kevin Kick
Commander
100th Missile Defense Brigade**

Colonel Kevin Kick enlisted in the Army in March 1989 as a 74D CBRN Specialist. He later received his commission through the Reserve Officers Training Corps at the Indiana University of Pennsylvania in 1992 as a Second Lieutenant in the Air Defense Artillery. COL Kick served on active duty from 1992-2000. He was a Platoon Leader, Tactical Director, and Battery Executive Officer in 2-43 ADA (PATRIOT) in Fort Polk, Louisiana. During this time, COL Kick deployed twice to Saudi Arabia in support of Operations Desert Falcon and Vigilant Warrior. He later served as an Assistant Professor of Military Science at The Ohio State University.



Upon completion of this assignment, he returned to Fort Bliss and served as Assistant S3, 1-1 ADA (PATRIOT) and Rear Detachment Commander, 3-2 ADA (PATRIOT). During this period, he deployed to Kuwait in support of Operation Desert Thunder. COL Kick commanded E Battery, 1-1 ADA during his final active duty assignment. He left active duty and became a member of the Colorado National Guard in 2000.

As a traditional Guardsman, COL Kick served as a Deputy in the G4 and later as the S3, Centennial Training Site, where he was mobilized in support of the initial days following 9/11. He then joined the AGR program in 2002 where he served as Deputy Commander, 8th Civil Support Team, then Executive Officer, 891st Troop Command BN, and S3 (later XO), 89th Troop Command Brigade. COL Kick commanded the 8th Civil Support Team from 2008-2011. COL Kick became the J3 of the Colorado National Guard in 2011 and served as a part of JTF Centennial in response to the wildfires of 2012 and 2013 and the 2013 Colorado floods.

Colonel Kick's military education includes the Army War College, Command and General Staff College, Combined Arms Services Staff School, Air Defense Officer Advanced Course, and Air Defense Officer Basic Course (PATRIOT track) along with numerous military domestic operations courses.

His civilian education includes an MA in Management from Webster University, an MS in Strategic Studies from the Army War College, and a graduate certificate from Harvard University.

His awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal (x6), Army Commendation Medal (x2), Army Achievement Medal (x4), and the Joint Meritorious Unit Medal.

Colonel Kick has two children.