

COL TIM C. LAWSON
Incoming Commander
100th Missile Defense Brigade

On May 6, 1988, COL Tim Lawson was commissioned as a second lieutenant and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in law enforcement from Western Illinois University.

COL Lawson served on active duty for more than nine years before being assigned to the Wisconsin Army National Guard. He served as a tank platoon leader and company executive officer in 4-8th Cavalry, 3rd Armored Division in Gelnhausen, Germany, 1989-1991. Upon his return from Operation Desert Storm, the 3rd Armored Division deactivated, and he was assigned to the 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas, 1991-1993, as a company executive officer and battalion S-1 in 3-67 Armor.

COL Lawson then completed a transition from an armor officer to a military intelligence officer and attended the Military Intelligence Transition and Military Intelligence Officer Advance Course at Fort Huachuca, Ariz. He was then stationed at Fort Gordon, Ga., 1994-1997, and was assigned to the 297th MI Battalion as an operations officer and a company commander of Echo Company 201st MI Battalion. Next he was assigned to the U.S. Armor Center at Fort Knox, Ky., as an instructor for the Armor Officer's Advance Course.

In 1998, COL Lawson left the active component and rejoined the Wisconsin ARNG with the 264th Engineer Group as their S-2, 1998-1999. He was selected for an Active Guard Reserve position with Recruiting Command and served as an Operations and Training officer, 1999-2001. COL Lawson was then transferred to Appleton, Wisc., and served as the battalion executive officer/administrative officer for the 2-127th Infantry Battalion, 2001-2003 and as the battalion commander from May 2003 to October 2004. He served as the Recruiting and Retention Battalion commander for the Wisconsin ARNG from October 2004 to June 2007; deputy chief of staff for operations (DSCOPS/G-3), 2007-2011; completed a tour in Afghanistan as the Regional Police Advisory commander for Regional Command West, 2009-2010; and his last assignment was the 32d Infantry Brigade Combat Team commander. He now serves as the commander for the 100th Missile Defense Brigade.

COL Lawson's military schooling includes the Armor Officer Basic Course, Scout Platoon Leader's Course, Military Intelligence Officer Transition Course, Military Intelligence Officer Advance Course, Infantry Officer Advance Course, Combined Arms Services Staff School, Command and General Staff College, Infantry Pre-Command Course and Airborne School. In addition, he recently graduated from the resident Army War College.

COL Lawson's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, and others.

COL Lawson currently lives in Colorado Springs, Colo. He is married, and they have two daughters.



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