

U.S. ARMY

7TH SIGNAL COMMAND (THEATER)

MICHAEL A. DUVAL

Chief of Staff, 7th Signal Command (Theater)



LTC(P) Duval began his military service in the Louisiana National Guard as an infantryman with the 3rd Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment (Mechanized) and later commissioned as a Signal Officer through ROTC in May 2003. After graduating from the Signal Officer Basic Course at Fort Gordon, Georgia, LTC(P) Duval was assigned to HSC, 3rd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group (Airborne) at Fort Carson, Colorado. Serving as the Signal Detachment Commander and Combined Special Operations Task Force – Arabian Peninsula liaison, he deployed to Iraq twice in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom (2005 & 2007). After returning from his second deployment, he attended the Signal Officer Advanced Course with a follow on assignment to HHC, 2nd Special Troops Battalion, 2nd Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division located at Fort Hood, Texas. He immediately took command of HHC and deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom (2009). After redeployment, he took command of Bravo Company, 2nd Special Troops Battalion, 2nd Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division.

After his second Company Command, LTC(P) Duval served as the Brigade S6, 2nd Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division and deployed to Iraq, overseeing theater retrograde operations, in support of Operation New Dawn (2011). Upon his return from Iraq, LTC(P) Duval was assigned to C CO, HHBN, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina as the Division G6 Planner. He was then selected to serve as the Brigade S6 for 1st Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division. He next served in a joint assignment as the Joint Data Network Operations Officer and Deputy Branch Chief within the Current Operations Division, United Nations Command, Combined Forces Command, and United States Forces Korea at Yongsan, Korea. In June 2017 LTC(P) Duval was assigned to the Mission Command Training Program at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas as a Mission Command Observer Coach Trainer and later assigned as the Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence Integrator. After this assignment he served as the Professor of Military Science for Louisiana State University and A&M College in Baton Rouge, Louisiana from June 2000 to May 2022. In June 2022 he assumed command of the 39th Strategic Signal Battalion, Chievres Air Base, Belgium with follow on as a Army War College Fellow at Carnegie Mellon University.

LTC(P) Duval's military education includes the Signal Officer Basic Course, Battalion and Brigade Signal Officer Course, Special Operations Communications Systems Operator Course, Signal Officer Advanced Course, Digital Master Gunner Course, Intermediate Level Education, Army War College – Carnegie Mellon University Fellow, Jumpmaster Course, and the Joint Combined Warfighting School.

LTC(P) Duval's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal (1 OLC), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (4 OLC), Army Commendation Medal (4 OLC), Army Achievement Medal (3 OLC), Iraq Campaign Medal (2 Stars), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Joint Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Unit Commendation Medal (1 OLC), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (with Numeral 2). LTC(P) Duval has also earned the Basic Parachutist Badge and Combat Action Badge, as well as Dutch and Indonesian foreign parachute wings.

LTC(P) Duval holds a Bachelors Degree in General Studies from Northwestern State University and a Master of Arts in Information Technology Management from Webster University.

LTC(P) Duval is married to the former Erica Guidry of Louisiana. Together they have two sons; Garrett Michael (16) and Carson Andrew (10).