



Mitchell L. Jones **Deputy, Garrison Commander**

Mr. Mitchell L. Jones became the Deputy to the Garrison Commander, U.S. Army Aberdeen Proving Ground, in September 2016.

Prior to joining USAG APG, Mr. Jones served as the Senior Regional Installation Support Team Specialist for IMCOM Atlantic Region, an extension of the Region Director, directly engaged with garrisons, to coach, teach and mentor the Garrison Commander and staff.

Mr. Jones served as Deputy to the Commander for USAG Ansbach with two subordinate garrisons, USAG Bamberg and USAG Schweinfurt from December 2012 to January 2013 and again from November 2014 to August 2015 in which he led a combined workforce of 1,120 US and Local National employees in installation management and base operations for a supported population of 25,000 Soldiers, Civilians, and Family members.

Between these assignments, Mr. Jones was selected by IMCOM-Europe Regional Director to serve as the Task Force Chief, responsible for leading a 43 person multi-functional team to develop and execute garrison closure plans and operations for the purpose of closing USAGs Bamberg and Schweinfurt and returning to the Host Nation. This entailed relocating a population of 20,298 Soldiers, Family Members and Civilians and returning 15,000 acres of land, 2,146 government family housing, 3,099 units barracks rooms, and 1,163 buildings equal to the geographical size of Fairfax, Virginia. Upon receipt of mission, he immediately selected, formed and stood up a multi-disciplinary team and achieved full mission capability six months ahead of schedule - lauded as "best ever seen" and the "most drama-free closure" by the USAREUR Commander and IMCOM-Europe Regional Director.

Mr. Jones began his 29-year federal service career as a U. S. Army Soldier in October 1987. He served in various positions throughout Europe, South West Asia and the United States. He departed active duty in June 1997, after 10 years of service. Concurrently, he began his career as a Department of Army (DA) Civilian Employee with the U.S. Army in Grafenwohr, Germany in June 1997 where he served in several key positions, such as Training Officer for the Directorate of Training (DOT), Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Battle Captain, Anti-Terrorism and Plans and Operations Officer.

In December 2002 he was selected by the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA) On-Site Inspection Directorate to serve as the Chief, DTRA/OSC at a geographically separated DTRA branch office located in Newport, Indiana with the mission of providing Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC) national escort oversight of treaty inspection activities by the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) under the Chemical Weapons Convention.

In March 2006 he was selected by USAG Ansbach, Germany to serve as the Director, Plans, Training, Mobilization, and Security - the principal staff agency for all matters concerning garrison operations, plans, force protection, intelligence, and security. He aggressively maintained USAREUR's Army Force Generation (AFORGEN) by planning, executing, and supporting continuous "Multiple" ARFORGEN cycles.

Mr. Jones holds a bachelor's in business administration from the Pacific University.

Mr. has been awarded multiple civilian service awards, including the Meritorious Civilian Service Award, Superior Civilian Service Award, and several Commanders Civilian Service Awards.