

## **General Christopher C. LaNeve, USA**

*Vice Chief of Staff and Acting Chief of Staff*

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General LaNeve is a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and commissioned into the Infantry from the University of Arizona ROTC in May 1990.

General LaNeve has commanded at every echelon and served in numerous Army and Joint Staff billets over his 36 years of service. Most recently, he served as the Senior Military Assistant to the Secretary of War, Commanding General of Eighth Army and Chief of Staff Combined Forces Command, and Commanding General of the 82nd Airborne Division.

Additional assignments include G-3/5/7, United States Army Forces Command; Director, Operations, Readiness and Mobilization, United States Army, G3/5/7; Commanding General, 7th Army Training Command; Deputy Commanding General (Operations), 82nd Airborne Division; and Commander, Operations Group, Joint Readiness Training Center.

He has served in numerous operational and combat deployments, to include Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL, Afghanistan; Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan; Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq.

His decorations include two Army Distinguished Service Medals, seven Legion of Merits, three Bronze Star Medals, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, seven Meritorious Service Medals; amongst others, he is a recipient of the Master Combat Infantryman Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, and Ranger Tab.

General LaNeve holds an undergraduate degree from the University of Arizona, a Master of Science in Administration from Central Michigan University, and a Master of Military Art and Science in Strategic Studies from the Command and General Staff College Advanced Operational Art Studies Fellowship.

He is married to his wife, Kimberly and has two children who are currently serving in the United States Army.