Lieutenant General Patrick Matlock Biography



Lieutenant General Patrick Matlock assumed duties as the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7 in October 2022. He graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1988. General Matlock's command assignments include a tank platoon in Texas; a reconnaissance troop in Germany; a tank company and headquarters company in Korea; a reconnaissance squadron in Texas; an infantry brigade combat team in Germany; and an armored division in Texas. His reconnaissance troop won the German Army's 1994 Boeselager All-Around Reconnaissance Competition. He served with his reconnaissance squadron in Iraq from late 2006 to early 2008. He served with his infantry brigade combat team in Afghanistan from 2011 to 2012. He served with his armored division in Afghanistan from 2019 to 2020.

General Matlock's company-grade staff assignments include tank company executive officer in Texas; aide-de-camp to a division deputy commanding general in Texas; reconnaissance squadron adjutant in Germany; and small group instructor in the Armor Captains Career Course in Kentucky. He served in Saudi Arabia and Iraq as a company executive officer from 1990 to 1991.

General Matlock's field-grade staff assignments include division chief of the Armor Captains Career Course in Kentucky; tank battalion operations officer, tank battalion executive officer, and armor brigade executive officer in Texas; joint planner observer / trainer in Virginia; and armored division chief of staff in Texas. He served in Iraq and Afghanistan as a joint planner observer / trainer for several short periods in 2003 and 2004. General Matlock's general officer staff assignments include deputy director for operations in the National Military Command Center, J3, on The Joint Staff at the Pentagon; infantry division deputy commanding general – support, in Hawaii; and director of training, G3, on the Army Staff at the Pentagon.

General Matlock is a graduate of the Armor Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, the Cavalry Leaders Course, the Command and General Staff Officers Course, the Joint and Combined Warfare School, and the Advanced Strategic Arts Program at the Army War College. His Bachelor of Science degree is with a field of study in ethical philosophy; his Master of Science degree is in national security studies. He is a Joint Specialty Officer.

General Matlock's awards include the distinguished service medal, the defense superior service medal, the legion of merit, and the bronze star medal. He is authorized to wear the Army parachutist badge, the combat action badge, the Army staff badge, and the Joint Staff badge. He is also an Eagle Scout.

General Matlock is from Willows, California. He is married to Jacqueline Franks Matlock of Texas. They have three children.