



## Biography ★★★

Lieutenant General Edward C. Cardon was born in Texas, raised in California and was commissioned as an Engineer Officer from the United States Military Academy in 1982. His company grade assignments include: Platoon Leader and Battalion Maintenance Officer with the 17th Engineer Battalion (Combat), 2nd Armored Division, Fort Hood, Texas; Training Officer with the 130th Engineer Brigade, V Corps; Brigade Engineer for 3rd Brigade, 3rd Armored Division; Company Commander, C Company, 23rd Engineer Battalion, 3rd Armored Division; Staff Officer and Engineer Company Trainer for the Live Fire Team, Operations Group, National Training Center; and Instructor, United States Army Engineer School. After graduation from the Naval Command and Staff College, he served as the Assistant Division Engineer, 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized); Executive Officer, 82nd Engineer Battalion, 1st Infantry Division (Mechanized); Staff Geographic Officer for Land Forces Central Europe, NATO; Chief Geographic Officer, IFOR/SFOR Bosnia-Herzegovina; Chief of the Initiatives Group for the Commander, Stabilization Force (SFOR); Battalion Commander of the 588th Engineer Battalion, 4th Infantry Division (1998-2000); and as Special Assistant (Strategy) for the Army Chief of Staff, Pentagon (2000-2002).

After graduation from the National War College; he assumed command of the Engineer Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division (2003-2004) in Iraq, and later served as the first Commander of the 4th Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division (2004-2006) including a deployment to Iraq. Upon selection for Brigadier General, he was assigned as the Deputy Commanding General (Support), 3rd Infantry Division (2006-2008) including a deployment to Iraq (2007-2008).

Upon his return from Iraq, he served as the Deputy Commandant, US Army Command and General Staff College, and the Deputy Commanding General, Leader Development and Education -- US Army Combined Arms Center, Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas (2008-2010). Lieutenant General Cardon then served as the Deputy Commanding General for Support, United States Forces - Iraq (2010-2011). Most recently, he served as the Commanding General of 2nd Infantry Division (2011-2013).

Among his awards are the Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit (with 5 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Bronze Star (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Service Commendation Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Commendation Medal (with 5 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Achievement Medal (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Combat Action Badge, Parachutist Badge and the Army Staff Identification Badge.

Lieutenant General Cardon has earned a Bachelor of Science Degree from the United States Military Academy, and Master's Degrees from the National War College and the United States Naval Command and Staff College, both in National Security and Strategic Studies. His military education includes the Engineer Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, United States Naval Command and Staff College, the Armed Forces Staff College, and the National War College.