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Jimmie Cole, Tennessee's Deputy Adjutant General, promoted to major general

NASHVILLE, Tenn. –Tennessee's Deputy Adjutant General, Brig. Gen. Jimmie Cole, promoted to the rank of major general during a ceremony held at the Tennessee National Guard's Joint Force Headquarters in Nashville, Sept. 10.

Tennessee's Adjutant General, Maj. Gen. Jeff Holmes, presided over the promotion ceremony. "I cannot think of a better fit for this promotion and position as deputy adjutant general than Jimmie Cole," Holmes said. "His numerous deployments and key assignments have well prepared him for this position and new level of responsibility."

Cole has held a range of command and staff positions while in the Tennessee National Guard to include the commander of the 278th Armored Cavalry Regiment, the Chief of Staff for the Tennessee National Guard, as well as his most recent position, Land Component Commander. Cole now serves as the Deputy Adjutant General, a position appointed to by Tennessee's Gov. Bill Lee.

"I am so grateful to my friends and family who made it here today," said Cole during the ceremony. "I owe it to all of you in this room, especially my family, and to those that could not make it here today for your continued support throughout my military career that has led me here. I truly appreciate your trust and confidence in me and I look forward to this new chapter."

A Mount Juliet native, Cole started his military career in 1989 by enlisting in the U.S. Army as an infantryman. He then commissioned as an Air Defense Artillery Officer and was assigned to the 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. In 1995, Cole left active duty and joined the Tennessee National Guard. Cole deployed to Iraq twice for Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2004 and 2010 as well as served in Ukraine in 2018.

Cole holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Louisiana State University and is a graduate of the United States Army War College where he received his Master's Degree in Strategic Studies.

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Tennessee's Deputy Adjutant General, Brig. Gen. Jimmie Cole, promoted to the rank of major general during a ceremony held at Nashville's Joint Force Headquarters, Sept. 10. Tennessee's Adjutant General, Maj. Gen. Jeff Holmes, and Cole's wife, Danya, pin on his new rank during the ceremony. (Photo by Pfc. Olivia Gum)



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