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*Richard T.
Byrd*

DECEMBER 5, 2025



40 Years
OF SERVICE
TO OUR NATION



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REMARKS

BRIGADIER GENERAL GEORGE H. WALTER *Division Commanding General*

COLONEL CALVIN A. KROEGER *Fort Worth District Commander*

CRAIG R. PIERCE *Little Rock District DPM*

OFFICIAL AWARDS & GIFTS PRESENTATION

REMARKS

RICHARD T. BYRD, SES

Southwestern Division Regional Business Director

ENGINEER SONG

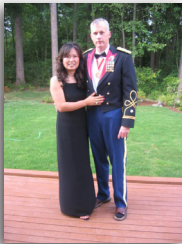
ARMY SONG





United States Army

FAMILY



SERVICE



USACE
Essays



Richard T. Byrd

USACE Southwestern Division Regional Business Director



RICHARD T. BYRD was appointed to the Senior Executive Service on January 16, 2022, and serves as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Southwestern Division's Regional Business Director managing the strategic direction, technical engineering support, and financial operations of the Regional Business Center. He is responsible for performing strategic evaluations of long-term workload trends, shaping and training the regional workforce, and promoting and managing workload sharing between districts and with other Regional Business Centers as the region executes a program of more than \$14 billion including Civil Works, Military Programs, Interagency Support, and Environmental Programs.

Prior to his current assignment he served as the Deputy District Engineer and Chief of the Program and Project Management Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Far East District, headquartered at Camp Humphreys, Korea.

As the Deputy District Engineer, Byrd oversaw the planning, design and construction of military, environmental and host nation funded construction programs in Korea. He was responsible for the execution of just over \$8 billion of projects in design and construction for Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and Defense Agency customers.

Prior to his assignment as the Deputy District Engineer, Byrd served as the Far East District PPMD Branch Chief for the Army, Navy, and Marine Branch. His previous assignments with the Corps include Deputy Chief of the Missile Defense Branch for Europe District, Chief of Contract Administration, Administrative Contracting Officer, and Project Engineer in the Seattle District.

Byrd is a 1994 graduate of the Indiana Institute of Technology with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and a 2000 graduate of the University of Oklahoma with a Master's degree in Construction Management. His certifications include Project Management Professional (PMP), Certified Construction Manager (CCM) and Designated Design-Build Professional (DBIA).

Byrd served 24 years in the U.S. Army as an enlisted soldier and an Engineer Officer. His awards include the Bronze de Fleury Medal from the Engineer Regiment, U.S. Army Bronze Star, Ranger and Sapper tabs and the Combat Action Badge.



Brigadier General George H. Walter

USACE Southwestern Division Commanding General



BRIGADIER GENERAL GEORGE H. WALTER commands the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Southwestern Division, headquartered in Dallas, Texas. One of eight regional divisions in USACE, the Southwestern Division directs six districts, including Fort Worth, Galveston, Little Rock, and Tulsa. Its area of responsibility spans all or parts of six states—covering 376,300 square miles and serving more than 36 million people.

Additionally, the Division has responsibility for the US Central Command Construction, supporting U.S. warfighters and strengthening defense partnerships across 21 nations in the Middle East, Central and South Asia, and the Levant. The work in the CENTCOM area of responsibility is led through the Middle East District in Winchester, Virginia, and the Expeditionary District in Kuwait,

Prior to taking command of the Southwestern Division, Walter served as Plans Division Chief in the Operations Directorate of HQDA G-9. Walter's previous assignments include serving as the Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations, for the XVIII Airborne Corps. Additionally, he served as a Lieutenant in the 82d Airborne Division, Company Commander in 173d Airborne Brigade, S3/XO in the 82d Airborne Division, Battalion Command with 6BEB in 4-25 IBCT (ABN), and Brigade Command in 20th Engineer Brigade.

Walter had broadening assignments with 7th Army Training Command, Aide-de-Camp at the Southern European Task Force, Active Component/Reserve Component Team Chief in 1st Army, observer/controller at the Joint Readiness Training Center and later LNO to FORSCOM, Chief of Staff for the US European Command Logistics Directorate (J4), Executive Officer to the EUCOM Deputy Commander and as both Division and USACE Level Command Engineers.

Walter is a graduate of the Engineer Basic Course, Infantry Captains Career Course, and the US Army War College. In addition to a Master of Strategic Studies from Carlisle, he also has a Master of Business Administration from the University of South Carolina. He received his Commission into the Corps of Engineers after graduation from the United States Military Academy in 1996.

A Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) Service Chiefs' Fellow and Project Management Professional, Walter has operational and combat experience in Africa, Europe, and the Middle East. His awards and decorations include the Ranger Tab, Combat Action Badge, and Master Parachutist Badge with bronze service star.



SELFLESS SERVICE



PERSONAL COURAGE



INTEGRITY



LOYALTY



LEADERSHIP



DEDICATION



DUTY



HONOR



RESPECT

Richard T.
Byrd



ENGINEER SONG

Pin the Castle on my collar.
I've done my training for the team.
You can call me an Engineer Soldier.
The warrior spirit has been my dream.
Essayons, whether in war or peace
We will bear our red and our white.

Essayons!

We serve America and the
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
Essayons! Essayons!

ARMY SONG

March along, sing our song, with the Army of the free.
Count the brave, count the true, who have fought to victory.
We're the Army and proud of our name!
We're the Army and proudly proclaim:
First to fight for the right, And to build the Nation's might,
And the Army goes rolling along.
Proud of all we have done,
Fighting till the battle's won,
And the Army goes rolling along.
Then it's hi! hi! hey! The Army's on its way.
Count off the cadence loud and strong;
For where'er we go,
You will always know
That the Army goes rolling long.



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