The Garrette family would like to thank you for your support and attendance at today's ceremony.

Sincerely, Curtis, Amanda, and the Camp McCain Family



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## **PROMOTION CEREMONY**

*in honor of* LIEUTENANT COLONEL **CURTIS J. GARRETTE** TO THE RANK OF COLONEL



CAMP MCCAIN TRAINING CENTER BLDG S-219 3152 JAMES H. BIDDY RD. GRENADA, MISSISSIPPI THURSDAY 1 MAY 2025 10:00 A.M.



#### LIEUTENANT COLONEL CURTIS J. GARRETTE

Lieutenant Colonel Curtis J. Garrette is a native of Lexington, MS. He enlisted in the Mississippi Army National Guard in 1989 as a Cannon Crewman in Charlie Battery, 2-114th Field Artillery. LTC Garrette graduated OCS in July 1999 and was assigned as a Platoon Leader, 113th Military Police Company. Since that time, he has served in various positions of increased responsibility to include: Fire Direction Officer, A Battery,

1-114th Field Artillery; HHD Commander and Training Officer, 112th MP Battalion (deployed Iraq); Commander, 114th MP Company; Officer Strength Manager for the Mississippi Recruiting and Retention Battalion; Mobilization Operations Chief for the 177th Armored Brigade; Deputy G4 for the 184th Expeditionary Sustainment Command; Administrative Officer and Executive Officer for the 298th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion; S4 Officer for the 168th Engineer Brigade; Deputy IG MSNG, Commander, 112th MP Battalion, and currently the Post Commander for Camp McCain Joint Forces Training Center. During his career he has deployed twice, overseas to Iraq in 2004 and the Southwest Border in 2023. He has also participated in several presidential and governor inaugurations, hurricane responses, and other disaster response missions.

Lieutenant Colonel Garrette holds a Bachelor of Political Science and Master's degree in Sociology, both from Jackson State University. He is also a graduate of the Mississippi Department of Corrections training Academy and the Mississippi Law Enforcement Training Academy. Lieutenant Colonel Garrette's professional military education include: Primary Leadership and Development Course (PLDC), Basic Non-Commissioned Officer Course (BNCOC), the Military Police Basic and Advanced Courses, Transportation Captains Career Course, Human Resource Management Course, Reserve Component Theater Sustainment Course, Command and General Staff College (CGSC), Intermediate Level Education Common Core (ILE), Advanced Operations Course, Support Operations Course, and the Military Police Battalion Commanders' Course.

Lieutenant Colonel Garrette's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal with 1 Bronze Star, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Silver Hourglass Device and M Device and Numeral 2, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Mississippi Magnolia Medal, Mississippi Commendation Medal, Mississippi War Medal, Mississippi Emergency Service Medal, and the Mississippi Longevity Medal.

LTC Garrette is married to the former Amanda Powels, and they have three children and six grandchildren.

## **U.S. ARMY SONG**

VERSE: 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 CHORUS: 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.

REFRAIN: 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 along.

SECOND CHORUS: Valley Forge, Custer's ranks, San Juan Hill and Patton's tanks, And the Army went rolling along. Minute men, from the start, Always fighting from the heart, And the Army keeps rolling along.

> REFRAIN: (same as above)

THIRD CHORUS: Men in rags, men who froze, Still that Army met its foes, And the Army went rolling along. Faith in God, then we're right, And we'll fight with all our might, As the Army keeps rolling along.

REFRAIN: 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 along!



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