Colonel Hiram R. Ellis (Class 8-65)

Colonel Hiram R. Ellis, a graduate of Artillery Officer Candidate School Class 8-65 was commissioned a Second Lieutenant on August 3, 1965. He served in both the active and reserve army.

He was a Forward Observer and Fire Direction Officer with the 320th Field Artillery in Vietnam. He commanded an engineer company in Rock Hill, South Carolina and the 422nd Civil Affairs Battalion, Greensboro, North Carolina. He also served as the Deputy Commander for the 360th Civil Affairs Brigade. Colonel Ellis has been called to active duty on numerous occasions throughout his career, including Operation Desert Storm, Joint Task Force 190 in Port-au-Prince Haiti, and the NATO Implementation Force in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

His decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star with "V" device and Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Defense Meritorious Service Medal.