BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH COLONEL THOMAS J. McGUIRE

Colonel McGuire was drafted into the Army in February 1967 and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant from Artillery Officers Candidate School that same year.

He holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Cameron University and a Masters of Education Degree from Boston University. His military education includes completion of the Field Artillery Officer Advanced Course, the United States Army Command and General Staff College with honors, and the United States Naval War College with a National Security and Strategy Masters of Arts Degree.

Colonel McGuire has held a variety of assignments to include: Operations Officer, G4 XVIII Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg; Forward Observer and Executive Officer, Alpha Battery, Fifth Battalion, 42d Field Artillery, Vietnam; Assistant S3, Alpha Battery Commander and Battalion S3, Third Battalion (Target Acquisition), 26th Field Artillery, Fort Sill; Instructor, Gunnery and Weapons Departments, United States Army Field Artillery School, Fort Sill; Team Chief, Medium Artillery, 155mm Self-propelled Howitzer Training Team, Ethiopia; Commander, Spokane Company, Seattle Battalion Recruiting Command and Team Chief, United States Army Recruiting Command European Recruiter Selection Team, Heidelberg, Germany; 1st Infantry Division Artillery S4; Battalion Executive Officer, First Battalion, Seventh Field Artillery and Second Battalion, Fifth Field Artillery; Chief Training Division G3/DPT and Deputy G3, 1st Infantry Division (Mechanized) and Fort Riley; Battalion Commander, First Battalion, Fifth Field Artillery; Chief Military Personnel and Plans Division, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff Personnel, United States Army, Europe; Deputy Chief Conventional Forces Europe Division, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations, United States Army, Europe; Chief, United States Army, Europe Liaison Team to Army Central Command, Saudi Arabia; and Chief, Doctrine, Concepts and International Activities Division, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations, United States Army, Europe.

Colonel McGuire has been the Commander, United States Army Readiness Group, Fort Sill, since July 1993.

Colonel McGuire's awards include: The Legion of Merit; The Bronze Star (with Oak Leaf Cluster); The Meritorious Service Medal (with two Oak Leaf Clusters); and The Army Commendation Medal (with two Oak Leaf Clusters).