



**DOCTOR
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Doctor Melton graduated at the top of his Officer Candidate School class and was initially assigned to the OCS staff as a Tactical Officer. He then joined the 84th Field Artillery (Honest John) as a launcher platoon commander where he served at Fort Sill and in Germany.

He returned to civilian life and has held highly responsible positions of far reaching consequence in the defense industry in addition to serving as a member of a college faculty.

Dr Melton was engaged for many years at Atlantic Research Corporation (ARC) in the development and production of a wide variety of solid propellant tactical rocket propulsion systems for the Department of Defense. Those systems included the Army's Redeye/Stinger anti-aircraft missile and TOW anti-tank missile, the Navy Terrier anti-ship missile, the Air Force ARCAS, Sidewinder and Minuteman ICBM. Atlantic Research Corporation also developed and produced solid propellant rocket systems on board the Explorer, Tiroso, Mercury and Gemini space systems. He then moved to MB Associates as Vice-president of operations, responsible for delivery of IR-emitting flare and chaff-dispensing anti-missile decoys for the Air Force and US allies.

Later, as Department Head, lecturer and instructor at North Georgia Technical College, Dr Melton was able to pursue a lifetime ambition to work with young people, not only to teach them technical subjects but also to serve as a mentor and guide toward establishing individual career goals. Dr Melton's desire to improve and streamline local government led to his election as a county commissioner in Rabun County Georgia. He is currently the President of Melton Associates Inc.