



**COLONEL
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CLASS 3-72**

Colonel Piplani served as Operations Officer, U.S. Army Satellite Communications at Fort Dix followed by a tour in Germany with the 3rd Battalion, 61st^t Air Defense Artillery. He was then assigned to Fort Monmouth, New Jersey and served as Project Officer at the U.S. Army Communications Systems Center and the U.S. Army Satellite Communications Agency followed by command of the Headquarters Installation Support Activity.

He was Test and Evaluation Officer at the U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Agency, Falls Church, Virginia. He served as Senior Communications-Electronic Systems Engineer and later Chief, Integration Division at the Command Systems Integration Agency, Arlington, Virginia and a Professor and Research Fellow at the Defense Systems Management College, Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

As Project Manager Tactical Radio Systems, Fort Monmouth, he was instrumental in getting the Single Channel Ground and Airborne Radio System (SINCGARS) radio fielded and matured in design. He was the lead communications officer for the Army's Tactical Internet experiments in 1996 and 1997. The Tactical Internet now forms the basis for all Army battlefield situational awareness.

Colonel Piplani's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal w/ 4 OLC and the Army Commendation Medal w/ OLC.