



Colonel Nathan M. Swartz

Commander
Tobyhanna Army Depot

Colonel Nathan M. Swartz became the 32nd Commander of Tobyhanna Army Depot on the 4th of August 2017. As the Commander for a 3,800 person operation, his responsibilities include supporting global readiness for Army and Joint Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (C4ISR).

He was commissioned as a Quartermaster Officer through the Middle Tennessee State University ROTC program in 1996. After completing the Officer's Basic Course, his first duty assignment was to Friedberg, Germany. He served as a Platoon Leader and Company Executive Officer for HHD/A Company 501st Forward Support Battalion, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division. After two years, he moved to Bad Krueznach, Germany where he served as the Supply and Service Officer for the Division Support Command, 1st Armor Division.

Upon completion of the Officer's Advanced Course, he was assigned to 626th Forward Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade (Rakkasans), 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault). He served as the Battalion S3 (Operations Officer) during the attacks of 9/11 and deployed to Operation Enduring Freedom I (January 2002- July 2002) as a member of Task Force Rakkasan and again for the initial invasion of Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom I (February 2002- June 2003).

He redeployed from Iraq to take command of HHD/A Company, 225th Forward Support Battalion, 25th Infantry Division (Light) in Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. As the Commander, he deployed the company to Operation Iraqi Freedom II (December 2003-January 2005). Following command, he remained in Hawaii to serve as the 25th Infantry Division (Light) Maintenance Officer.

His first assignment as a Field Grade Officer was as the Brigade S4 (Logistics Officer) for 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division at Fort Riley, Kansas. After one year he transitioned to the SPO (Support Operation Officer) for 610th Brigade Support Battalion where he deployed with Task Force Dragon for a 15-month tour in Baghdad, Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom V "The Surge" (January 2007-April 2008).

He later commanded 703rd Brigade Support Battalion, 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division at Fort Stewart, Georgia. During this time, he deployed the Battalion to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom IX (March 2013-November 2013).

Colonel Swartz has served in two broadening assignments both as an Assignment Officer. His first tour was at Human Resources Command in Alexandria, Virginia and Fort Knox, Kentucky. His second tour was with Colonels Management Office, Senior Leader Development in the National Capital Region.

Colonel Swartz holds two masters' degrees. One from the University of Kansas in Business and one from National Defense University's Eisenhower School in National Resource Strategy. His military decorations include five Bronze Star Medals, five Meritorious Service Medals, two Army Commendation Medals, three Army Achievement Medals and numerous overseas and operational campaign medals. He is authorized to wear the Combat Action Badge, Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge and Rigger Badge.

