DISTINGUISHED MEMBER OF THE PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS REGIMENT



Colonel Miguel B. Hobbs *U.S. Army, Retired*

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Colonel (Retired) Miguel B. Hobbs was commissioned on May 18, 1988, as a U.S. Army Chemical Corps second lieutenant at Washington University, Saint Louis, Missouri. He became a Psychological Operations Officer in 1999.

Col. Hobbs began his Psychological Operations career at Fort Bragg, N.C., where his initial assignment was on a Tactical PSYOP Detachment, deploying to Operation Joint Guard with the initial U.S. forces into Kosovo.

In 2000, Col. Hobbs served as the Non-Lethal Effects Branch Chief, Brigade Coordination Cell, Training and Doctrine Command Transformation Task Force at Fort Lewis, WA where he was instrumental in procuring Civil Affairs and PYSOP billets in Stryker and future BCT staffs. He spearheaded the development of brigade non-lethal effects doctrine and provided feedback to the proponent institutions for inclusion in doctrinal manuals, training programs and organizational structures.

He returned to Fort Bragg in 2002 serving as the 8th PYSOP Battalion XO in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. He was selected to be the 4th PSYOP Group S3 where he planned, coordinated, and executed the Group's peacetime training and wartime operations requirements. He consistently managed myriad tasks, deployments, and various contingency operations in support of Operations Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom and the Global War on Terror, as well as Operations Joint Forge and Joint Guardian. He then served as the Chief of the Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations branches at the United States Army Human Resources Command, responsible for the manning, assignments and the professional development of more than 1,100 Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations officers. His final active duty assignment was as the PSYOP Commandant, where he drove recruitment, selection and training. He ensured the Soldiers and officers of the PSYOP Regiment had the skills necessary to execute all facets of ARSOF 2022.

Col. Hobbs' contributions to the Regiment positively advanced the Psychological Operations Regiment from the tactical to the strategic level during a period that extends from humanitarian and stability operations through the Global War on Terrorism to current operations worldwide.

Col. Hobbs continues to serve as a Department of the Army Civilian as Chief, Information Operations Division, United States Army Cyber Command and Second Army where he is responsible for the command's Information Operations programs including Space Operations, Electronic Warfare and Special Technical Operations. He is the Army Cyber Command's staff lead in its mission as the Army's operational lead for Army Information Operations and Electronic Warfare forces and capabilities in the active and reserve components. He is also a life member of the PSYOP Regimental Association and the PSYOP Veterans Association.

Col. Hobbs has a Master's in International Relations from Troy State University and Bachelor's in Physical Education from Southern Illinois University and attended the Inter American Defense College and Command and General Staff College. His military awards include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal with oak-leaf cluster, the Meritorious Service Medal with five oak-leaf clusters, and the Joint Service Commendation. He is a plank holder member of the PSYOP Regiment.

Col. Hobbs is married to Deborah L. Bailey, and they have three children.