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Col. Mark A. Bertolini hails from Bellerose, New York and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant of Armor from Washington & Lee University in 1986 with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. His military education includes the Armor Basic and Advanced Courses, the Command and General Staff College, and the National War College earning a Master of Science degree in National Security Strategy. He also holds a Master of Arts from Indiana University in Foreign Area Studies.

His command experience includes Commander, C Company, 3rd Battalion, 67th Armored Regiment, 2nd Armored Division, Fort Hood, Texas; Commander, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 67th Armored Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas;

Commander, 3rd Battalion, 67th Armored Regiment, 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Hood, Texas and OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM; and Commander, 162nd Infantry Brigade, Fort Polk, Louisiana. Additional assignments include Tank Platoon Leader, A Company, and later Mortar Platoon Leader, then XO, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 68th Armored Regiment, 8th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Wildflecken, Germany; Battalion Adjutant, 3rd Battalion, 67th Armored Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas; Foreign Area Officer/Attaché in training, US Embassy and NATO Headquarters, Brussels, Belgium; Operations Officer and later Executive Officer,

1st Battalion, 66th Armored Regiment, and then Chief, G-3 (Training), 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Hood, Texas; Senior Operations Officer, J3/National Military Command Center, The Joint Staff, Washington, DC, and Chief, Armor Branch, Human Resources Command, Alexandria, Virginia. Colonel Bertolini's most recent assignment was as the Deputy Commander, Regional Command West, International Security Assistance Force, OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Herat, Afghanistan.

Col. Bertolini's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with Three Oak Leaf Clusters), Combat Action Badge, the Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge, as well as a number of other personal and unit awards.

Col. Bertolini is currently serving as the Chief of Staff for the Joint Force Headquarters – National Capital Region and the U.S. Army Military District of Washington.