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Col. William D. McGarrity is a native of Winter Haven, Fla., and was commissioned as an Infantry Officer in 1987 after graduating from Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Ga., with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in History and English.

He has served in numerous command and staff positions over his 28 year career as both an Infantry Officer and later as an Aviation Officer. Prior to his assignment as the Chief of Staff, Military District of Washington, Col. McGarrity served as the Chief of Staff for the United States Security Coordinator for Israel and the Palestinian Authority in Jerusalem.

Col. McGarrity holds Master's Degrees in International Relations from Saint Mary's University, San Antonio, Texas; Military Operational Art and Science, from Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.; and National Security Strategy from the National War College, Washington, D.C.

Col. McGarrity's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal (1 oak leaf cluster), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (6 oak leaf clusters), the Air Medal (Numeral 2), Expert Infantryman's Badge, Combat Action Badge, Master Army Aviator Badge, Ranger Tab, Master Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge and the Army Staff Identification Badge.