

Major General Patrick J. Donahue II

Commander, U.S. Army Africa



Major General Patrick J. Donahue II graduated from the United States Military Academy and was commissioned as an infantry officer in the Regular Army in 1980. His military education includes the Infantry Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Ranger School, United States Air Command and Staff College, and the United States Army War College. He was an Olmsted Scholar and studied at the University of Innsbruck, Austria.

He holds a Masters in Public Administration from Harvard University, and a Masters of Strategic Studies from the Army War College. MG Donahue commanded airborne and air assault units at the company, battalion, and brigade levels.

His service as a staff officer includes tours at the battalion, brigade, division, corps, Army Command, HQDA, and combatant command levels.

MG Donahue was previously the Deputy Chief of Staff, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Virginia. He also served as the Deputy Commanding General (Maneuver), 3d Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia and U.S. Division North-Iraq from 2008-2010; Commander, 1st Brigade, 82d Airborne Division from 2003-2006 and commanded the BCT on two deployments to Afghanistan and one to Iraq; Commander, Operations Group Bravo, U.S. Army Battle Command Training Program/Chief of Future Operations, V Corps from 2002-2003 for the initial Iraq invasion; and Assistant Chief of Staff, G3 and Commander, 1-506 Infantry Battalion (Air Assault), 2d Infantry Division, Republic of Korea from 1998-2001.

MG Donahue is a master parachutist and has earned the combat and expert infantryman badges, Ranger tab, and Air Assault badge. His awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit (4 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Bronze Star Medal (4 Oak Leaf Clusters), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, and Overseas Service Medal.