

Brigadier General Robert L. Edmonson

Deputy Chief of Staff, G-6 U.S. Army Forces Command

Brigadier General Robert L. Edmonson II is a native of Willingboro, New Jersey. He was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant from Frostburg State University in Maryland. Brigadier General Edmonson began his Army career in 1991 as an Infantry Officer where he served as a Rifle Platoon Leader in the 101st Airborne Division (AASLT), Fort Campbell, Kentucky. In 1993, he was branch-transferred to the Signal Corps and reassigned to the 101st where he served as a Signal Platoon Leader and Assistant S-3 in the 501st Signal Battalion. As a Captain, he was assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina where he served as an Infantry Brigade Signal Officer, Division Radio Officer, and Commander Alpha Company, 82nd Signal Battalion. In 2000, he was selected to serve as a member of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff -Internship Program, Joint Staff, J-6 and the Army Staff, CIO/G-6. As a Major, he was reassigned to the 82nd Airborne Division where he served again as an Infantry Brigade Signal Officer and deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. From 2004 to 2006, he served as the Deputy G-6, 82nd Airborne Division and Battalion Executive Officer, 82nd Signal Battalion. As a Lieutenant Colonel, while serving as an Action Officer, Joint Staff J-6, he was selected to command the 63rd Expeditionary Signal Battalion. Following Battalion Command, he deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan where he served as a Senior Military Advisor within the Ministry of the Interior. As a Colonel, he served as the CIO/G-6 and Director, Army Signal Activity, US Army Intelligence and Security Command (INSCOM). From 2013 to 2015, he commanded the 35th Signal Brigade, XVIII Airborne Corps. From 2015 to 2016, he served as Executive Officer to the Army CIO/G-6. In June 2016, he became the 38th Chief of Signal and Signal Commandant. Brigadier General Edmonson assumed his position as the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-6, Forces Command in July 2018.

Brigadier General Edmonson is a graduate of the Infantry Officer Basic Course, the Signal Officer Advanced Course, the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and the National War College. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Marketing from Frostburg State University, a Master of Science Administration in Information Resource Management from Central Michigan University, and a Master of Science in National Security Strategy from the National Defense University.

Brigadier General Edmonson's military awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, GWOT Expeditionary and Service Medals, Humanitarian Service Medal, NATO Medal, Combat Action Badge, Expert Infantryman's Badge, Ranger Tab, Pathfinder Badge, Air Assault Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Joint Staff Identification Badge, Army Staff Identification Badge, and Polish Jump Wings.

Brigadier General Edmonson is married to the former Ellen Love Cramer. They have two sons, Robert III (25) and Alexander (21).