

LIEUTENANT COLONEL J. MIKE PAUL
COMMANDER, HOLSTON ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT

Lt. Col. J. Mike Paul assumed command of the Holston Army Ammunition Plant on Aug. 1, 2024. HSAAP produces a wide range of high-quality explosives for the Department of Defense.

Paul served in the Kentucky National Guard with the 20th Special Forces Group in the Simultaneous Membership Program. In 2006, he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant into the Transportation Corps from the Army ROTC program at the University of Louisville, Kentucky.

He received a Bachelor of Science in Business Management from the University of Louisville.

His assignments include Company Executive Officer and Platoon Leader, Echo Company, 1-504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, 2006-2009; Deputy Support Operations Officer, Alpha Company Commander and Battalion S-3, 701st Brigade Support Battalion, 1st Infantry Division, Fort Riley, Kansas, 2009-2012; Action Officer, Logistics Management Specialist, and J-4, Army Compartmented Element at U.S. Army Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, 2013-2015; Operation Contracting Support Officer, 3rd Sustainment Command (Expeditionary), Fort Bragg, North Carolina, 2016-2017; Support Operations Officer,

264th Combat Service Support Battalion, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, 2017-2018; G-4 and Executive Officer, Asymmetric Warfare Group, Fort Meade, Maryland, 2018-2020; Plans Operation and Exercises Chief, J-4, Special Operations Command-Europe, Stuttgart, Germany, 2020-2023; Director, Army Special Operations Forces Supply Support Activity, Lexington, Kentucky, 2023-2024. Paul's deployments include one in support of OIF, one in support of ISC, and one in support of OEF.

Paul's military education includes the Transportation Officer Basic Course, Combined Logistics Captain's Career Course, and the Command and General Staff Officers Course.

His awards and achievements include Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal (two campaign stars), North Atlantic Treaty Organization Medal, International Security Forces Afghanistan Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, Valorous Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Parachutist Badge, and Combat Action Badge.

