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Commander, 2nd Cavalry Regiment



Col. Patrick J. Ellis received his commission in the Infantry upon graduation from the U.S. Military Academy in 1994.

After attending the Infantry Officer Basic Course, he served as a Rifle Platoon Leader and the Mortar Platoon Leader in 5-20th Infantry at Fort Lewis, Washington, from 1995 to 1996. Following this initial assignment, he served as a Weapons Platoon Leader and Rifle Platoon Leader in 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment from 1997 to 1998. After attending the Infantry Officer Advanced Course in 1998, Ellis received an assignment to 1-508th Airborne Battalion Combat Team in Vicenza, Italy. During this assignment he served as the Battalion Logistics Officer, Rifle Company Commander, and Brigade Reconnaissance Company Commander.

In 2001, Ellis returned to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment. From 2001 to 2004 he served as the Battalion Logistics Officer and Bravo Company Commander. During this time, he completed several deployments in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Upon graduation from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College in 2005, Ellis reported to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment and served as the Battalion Executive Officer and Battalion Operations Officer. From 2005 to 2007, he conducted multiple deployments in support of both Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Following his assignment to 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Ellis reported to the Joint Special Operations Command at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served from 2007 to 2010 as Current Operations Officer and Executive Officer to the JSOC Commander. Ellis assumed command of 1-501 IN (ABN) in Anchorage, Alaska, on June 28, 2010. While serving as the battalion commander, Ellis deployed the battalion for 10 months in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan.

In June 2013, Ellis assumed command of 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, a position he held until April 2015. During his time, Ellis deployed twice to Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan.

Ellis graduated from the United States Army War College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, in June 2016. He also has a Bachelor of Science in Russian Language and master degrees in Management and Strategic Studies.