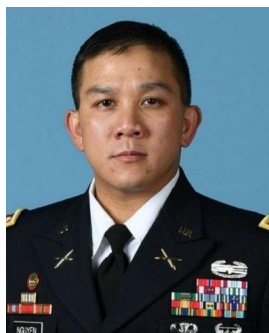




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Lieutenant Colonel John D. Nguyen, a native of Richmond, Virginia, was commissioned from James Madison University in 2005. LTC Nguyen's first unit, 2nd Battalion, 32nd Field Artillery Regiment, 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Dragon), 1st Infantry Division, at Fort Riley, Kansas. With the Dragon Brigade, LTC Nguyen served as a Battery Fire Direction Officer, Platoon Leader, and Fire Support Officer with a deployment to Operation Iraqi Freedom V in 2007. After deployment, LTC Nguyen attended the Infantry Captain's Career course and returned to Fort Riley to serve with the 1st Brigade (Devil), 1st Infantry Division as a Battalion Assistant operations officer (BN A/S3) and Battalion Fire Direction Officer (BN FDO) for the Artillery Battalion, 1st Battalion, 5th Field Artillery. During his tenure with the Devil Brigade, he deployed in support of Operation New Dawn in 2011, serving initially as the Brigade Commander's Personal Security Detachment (PSD) OIC and subsequently as Commander of Delta Battery, 1st Battalion, 5th Field Artillery "Hamilton's Own."

Following Battery command, LTC Nguyen served as an Observer, Coach, and Trainer (OCT) at the Joint Multinational Readiness Center (JMRC), Hohenfels, Germany, on the Fires Battalion OCT Team (Vampires). LTC Nguyen's major focus during this assignment included the training and coaching of units deploying in support of OEF, Kosovo Peacekeeping Forces, and partner exercises throughout the European Continent. At the conclusion of his OCT duties, LTC Nguyen attended the Command and General Staff Officer Course (CGSOC) in Leavenworth, Kansas, with a follow-on assignment to 25th Infantry Division and served as a Brigade Fire Support Officer (FSO), Artillery Battalion Operations Officer (S3) and the Division Artillery Operations (S3) Officer for 3rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Bronco) and the 25th Division Artillery (Tropic Thunder) respectively.

In 2018, LTC Nguyen was selected to serve as a Joint Staff Officer with United States Forces-Korea (USFK) in the Joint Operations Directorate (J-3). LTC Nguyen's roles included Deputy to the Current Operations Chief (J-33) and Executive Officer of the USFK Crisis Action Team. At the conclusion of this assignment, LTC Nguyen departed Korea to attend the Advanced Military Studies Program (AMSP) at the School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS) to pursue an enhanced understanding of military history, theory, and doctrine as it applies to contemporary problem sets.

Before assuming duties at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities, LTC Nguyen served as the Deputy to the Future Operations Chief of the III Armored Corps and Fort Hood, Texas, focusing on the Army's transition to the Regionally Aligned Readiness and Modernization Model and continued warfighting competencies as a globally responsive tactical Army Corps.

LTC Nguyen's professional military education includes the Basic Officer Leadership Course (BOLC), Field Artillery Officers' Basic Course (FAOBC), Infantry Captains' Career Course (ICCC), Command and General Staff Officer Course (CGSOC), Joint Planners Course, and the Advanced Military Studies Program (SAMS.)

LTC Nguyen holds a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Public Administration from James Madison University, a Master of Public Administration (M.P.A.) from Villanova University and a Masters of Operational Arts and Studies (M.O.A.S) from the SAMS LTC Nguyen's military awards include the Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3 oak leaf clusters), Joint Service Accommodation Medal, Army Commendation medal (3 oak leaf clusters), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal (2 oak leaf clusters), National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal (2 campaign stars), Overseas Service Ribbon; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Combat Action Badge, Basic Parachutist Badge, and the Air Assault Badge.

LTC Nguyen is married to the former Katrina Rohwer of Andover, Minnesota, a former Army veterinarian – and his best friend