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BGen Descheneaux graduated from Norwich University with a degree in electrical engineering and was commissioned in 1987. He completed KC-130 training with VMGRT-253 and has served with VMGR-152, VMGR-234, and VMGR-352. He was the assistant air officer/forward air controller with 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) on board *USS PELELIU*, the Commanding Officer of MALS-41, the II Marine Expeditionary Force Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations (Individual Mobilized Augment) and Deputy Commander of MAG-49. As a general officer, he served as the Assistant Deputy Commandant for Aviation (Mobilization) before joining I MEF.

During his career, he has engaged in Joint, Combined, NATO, and UN missions around the globe to include Central Command assault support missions during operations IRAQI FREEDOM, ENDURING FREEDOM, SOUTHERN WATCH, and INFINITE SENTINEL (Kuwait). He served with 24th MEU(SOC) in the NATO peace keeping mission DYNAMIC RESPONSE (Kosovo) and combat search and rescue missions with Combined Task Force NORTHERN WATCH (Turkey). He executed extensive United Nations (UNOSOM II), Joint Task Force and I MEF famine relief missions in Somalia during operations PROVIDE RELIEF, RESTORE HOPE, CONTINUE HOPE and QUICK DRAW. In addition, he participated in the 11th MEU(SOC) non-combatant evacuation of the U.S. ambassador and over 240 American citizens from Rwandan genocide during Operation DISTANT RUNNER in Bujumbura, Burundi.

BGen Descheneaux has studied at the Harvard Kennedy School's Executive Education, National Defense University, Air University, Marine Corps University, and the Army War college. He holds a Master's Degree in Business from Columbia College of Missouri, a Master's in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Air War College and is a graduate of the Joint Forces Staff College. He has flown 319 combat missions while accumulating over 3,700 military flight hours in the KC-130, AH-1, UH-1, CH-46 and CH-53.

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