

United States Combined Arms Center and Fort Leavenworth

Brigadier General Charles J. Masaracchia

Director Mission Command Center of Excellence Fort Leavenworth

Brigadier General Charles J. Masaracchia became the eighth Director of the Mission Command Center of Excellence on 16 October 2020.

BG Masaracchia received his commission in the Infantry from Norwich University in 1992. His first



assignment was with 3rd Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment, at Schofield Barracks, HI, serving as a Platoon Leader and Company Executive Officer. He was later assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, as a Company Executive Officer and Battalion S-5. Following the Infantry Officer Advanced Course, he was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment, at Fort Campbell, KY, serving as the Battalion S-1 and Commander of Charlie Company.

In April 2000, BG Masaracchia was assigned to 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, serving as the Battalion Assistant S-3 and Bravo Company Commander, deploying in support of both Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) and Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF). Following Command and General Staff College, he was assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division where he served as the Division Training Officer. He would later serve as the Operations Officer for 2nd Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment (AIR), and as the 2nd Brigade, 325th AIR Operations Officer, deploying three times in support of OIF. BG Masaracchia served at the Joint Readiness Training Center, Fort Polk, LA, as an observer/controller, Task Force S-3 Trainer, and as the Chief of Live Fire Division. In April 2010, he assumed command of 1st Battalion, 325th AIR, and deployed his unit in support of OEF and Operation New Dawn. After leaving command he served as the 82nd Airborne Division Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, until June of 2013.

BG Masaracchia commanded the 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division, Fort Bliss, TX, from July 2014 to June 2016. Following brigade command, he served as the Chief of Staff for the 1st Infantry Division, at Fort Riley, KS, deploying to Iraq in support of Operation Inherent Resolve. In 2016, he took command of the 3rd Security Force Assistance Brigade (SFAB), based at Fort Hood, TX. As SFAB Commander, he deployed to the Central Command Area of Responsibility and served in Afghanistan as the Commanding General of Train, Advise, Assist Command- East, and as Deputy Commanding General-Operations for Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan in support of Operations Freedom's Sentinel and Resolute Support.

BG Masaracchia is a graduate of the Command and General Staff College and attended the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, as a United States Army Special Operations Command, War College Fellow, studying within the Triangle Institute of Strategic Studies and National Security Studies.

BG Masaracchia's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit with "C" device, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal (5 OLC), Meritorious Service Medal (4 OLC), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with "V" device, and the Army Commendation Medal (5 OLC). BG Masaracchia has earned the Combat Infantryman's Badge, Ranger Tab, Expert Infantryman's Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Air Assault Badge, and Master Parachutist Badge.

BG Masaracchia is married and has three children.