



## **COLONEL ANTHONY J. BEHRENS**

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Colonel Tony Behrens is assigned to the Army Futures Command as the Director, Fires Capabilities Development & Integration Directorate in support of the Fires Modernization Enterprise at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Native to St. Louis, Missouri, Colonel Behrens is a 1995 graduate of Wentworth Military Academy, Lexington, Missouri.

A career Army Air Defense Artillery officer, Colonel Behrens has held leadership, staff and command positions from the platoon to general staff levels. He commanded the first Patriot Advanced Capabilities (PAC) 3, Configuration 3 battery in support of OPERATION SOUTHERN WATCH in Kuwait 2002, and later, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM beginning March 19th 2003. Colonel Behrens commanded A Detachment, 1st Space Company (JTAGS) in Stuttgart, Germany and Doha, Qatar from 2003 to 2006. Colonel Behrens planned and coordinated the return of Army Integrated Air and Missile Defense (IAMD) to the Middle East as the Deputy Chief of Plans for the 32d Army Air & Missile Defense Command from 2006 to 2008 and, from 2008 to 2009, as the Operations Officer (S3) of the 11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade. There, he established the vision for the IAMD Center of Excellence in the United Arab Emirates to synchronize multi-national IAMD operations and security cooperation. Colonel Behrens later commanded the 3d Battalion, 43d Air Defense Artillery while deployed to the U.S. Central Command theater of operations in 2014 in support of OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM and integrated a forward deployed AN/TPY-2 missile defense battery. Upon redeployment, he integrated all five existing Terminal High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) batteries at Fort Bliss, Texas into the battalion and supported multiple THAAD tests and deployments. Colonel Behrens transitioned 3-43 ADA to assume responsibility of testing the Army's newest distributive mission command capability, the Integrated Air & Missile Defense Battle Command System (IBCS).

Colonel Behrens served as the Air Defense and Multi-Domain Task Force Organizational Integrator on the Army Staff in Washington, D.C. from 2016 to 2017. He developed the initial organizational concept for the return of the Army's short-range air defense capabilities, led Army IAMD planning in support of the European Deterrence Initiative, and established the Chief of Staff of the Army's vision for the Multi-Domain Task Force (MDTF) to counter adversary access denial strategies. While at the U.S. Naval War College, Colonel Behrens researched and wrote on missile defense policy, counter anti-access and area denial strategies in the West Pacific, and Joint IAMD mission command. Most recently, Colonel Behrens served as the centrally selected Army Capability Manager for Army Air & Missile Defense Command where he was responsible as the Air & Missile Defense warfighter advocate and developer for all AAMDCs and their subordinate formations. Colonel Behrens directed the development and sustainment of THAAD, Patriot, the Lower Tier Air & Missile Defense Sensor (LTAMDS) and IBSCS. Colonel Behrens served as the Army's senior integrator for Doctrine, Organization, Training, Materiel, Leadership & Development, Personnel, Facilities, and Policy across the Army's IAMD portfolio.

Colonel Behrens holds a Bachelor of Science in Law Enforcement from Washburn University in Topeka, Kansas, a Master of Public Administration and National Security Policy from Troy University in Troy, Alabama, and a Master of National Security and Strategic Studies from the United States Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island. His professional schooling includes many Joint, Army and inter-service tactical, operational and strategic level courses and certifications.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and Service Medals, the Korean Defense Service Medal, the Outstanding Military Volunteer Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, the Army Parachutist Badge, the German Paratrooper Badge, the Air Force Space and Missile Qualification Badge and the Space Badge.