

# Colonel Fred W. Allen

Year of Commission: 1987

BS in Agriculture Mechanization



Col. Allen commissioned as an aviation officer in the Illinois National Guard. UH-1H Assault Helicopter Platoon Leader, CH-47 Aviation Maintenance Platoon Leader, UH-60 Aviation Maintenance Company Commander, CH-47 Helicopter Company Commander, UH-60 Battalion Executive Officer, UH-60 Battalion Commander, Brigade Operations Officer, State Aviation Officer, Chief of Staff for the IL Army National Guard, and Commander of the IL Army National Guard CH-47 and Shadow UAV Flight Facility. Colonel Allen deployed to Iraq in 2004 as Commander of 1-106<sup>th</sup> Assault Helicopter Battalion and deployed to Afghanistan in May, 2011 as Commander of the 1-14<sup>th</sup> Agricultural Development Team in the Kunar Province. His numerous awards include the Legion of Merit, two awards of the Bronze Star Medal, and the Air Medal. As a small business owner, Col Allen operates a gain and livestock farm near Delavan, Illinois.

Year Inducted: 2013