



Pine Bluff Arsenal

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Colonel Kelso C. Horne III Commander Pine Bluff Arsenal

Col. Kelso C. Horne III assumed command of Pine Bluff Arsenal, Pine Bluff, Arkansas July 7, 2016. The product of an Army Family, he graduated from the University of Georgia with a Bachelor of Business Arts. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Chemical Corps in August 1993. He has a Master of Business Arts from the University of Southern Mississippi and Masters in Strategic Studies from the Air War College. Horne is a graduate of the Chemical Officer Basic Course, the Chemical Captains Career Course, the Combined Arms Services Staff School, the Command and General Staff Officers Course, and the Air War College. He has also completed Airborne and Technical Escort Schools.

Horne comes to the Arsenal from the Eighth Army in the Republic of Korea where he served as the Director of Operational Protection from July 2015 to June 2016.

His previous command positions include: Commander, 112th Chemical Reconnaissance Detachment (Airborne), Fort Bragg, N.C., from October 1997 to December 1998; Commander, HHD, 26th Forward Support Battalion, Fort Stewart, Ga. and Iraq from August 2001 to June 2003; and, Security Transition Team 1, 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, Kandahar Province, Afghanistan from May 2011 to May 2012.

Other staff assignments include: Battalion Chemical Officer, 1st Battalion, 503d Infantry (Air Assault), Camp Casey Korea, from February 1994 to March 1995; Platoon leader, 4th Chemical Company, Camp Casey Korea, from March 1995 to March 1996; Battalion Chemical Officer, 3d Battalion, 3d Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Bragg, N.C., from March 1996 to October 1998; 3d Infantry Division Artillery Chemical Officer, Ft. Stewart, Ga., from May 2000 to August 2001; Chemical Training Team Chief, later Battalion Executive Officer, 3d Battalion, 346th Infantry Regiment, Camp Shelby, Miss., from July 2003 to June 2005; Deputy Division Chemical Officer, 3d Infantry Division (Mechanized), Ft. Stewart, Ga., and Baghdad, Iraq, from July 2006 to July 2008; Brigade CBRN Trainer/Brigade Plans, Future Operations & Current Operations Trainer, Operations Group, National Training Center, Ft. Irwin, Ca., from August 2008 to June 2010; Division Chemical Officer, 10th Infantry Division (Mountain), Ft. Drum, N.Y., and Kandahar, Afghanistan from July 2010 to May 2011; and, Chemical Organization Integrator, G37 Force Management, Headquarters, Department of the Army, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C., from July 2012 to June 2014.

Awards and decoration include: Bronze Star Medal (with three Oak Leaf Clusters), Meritorious Service Medal (with two Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (with two Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Achievement Medal (with three Oak Leaf Clusters), National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (with Numeral 3), NATO Medal, Parachutist Badge, and Army Staff Identification Badge.

