



BG FRANKLIN LASHAUNE JONES VICE DIRECTOR OF STAFF NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU



Brigadier General “Shaune” Jones currently serves as the Vice Director of Staff, National Guard Bureau.

Prior to serving as the Vice Director of Staff, Brigadier General Jones served as the Strategic Initiatives Group Chief to the Director, Army National Guard.

A native of Owingsville, Kentucky, Brigadier General Jones graduated from the University of Louisville in 2000 and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant upon graduation from Officer Candidate School in 2001. Prior to receiving his commission, Brigadier General Jones served as an enlisted member in the 206th Engineer Battalion, Kentucky Army National Guard.

Brigadier General Jones has served in multiple command and staff assignments, including command of Battery A, 2nd Battalion 138th Field Artillery, 1st Battalion (Field Artillery), 238th Regiment, and the 38th Division Artillery. Previous staff assignments include the Joint Operational War Plans Division, Joint Staff (J-5), the Immediate Office of the Secretary of the Army, Headquarters Department of the Army, the 38th Infantry Division, and the 138th Field Artillery Brigade.

Brigadier General Jones’ operational assignments include a deployment in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, March 2007 to March 2008.

In addition to the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Communication he earned at the University of Louisville, Brigadier General Jones earned a Master of Business Degree from the University of Louisville in 2006, a Master of Military Art & Science Degree from the U.S. Command and General, School of Advanced Military Studies, and a Master of Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.

Brigadier General Jones’ military awards include the Legion of Merit (with one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster), Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Commendation Medal (with three Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Service Achievement Medal (with one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster), Joint Meritorious Unit Citation, Army Meritorious Unit Commendation, Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (with one Silver Oak Leaf Cluster and one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster), National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Silver Hourglass, "M" Device and Numeral “2”), Army Service Ribbon, NATO-ISAF Medal, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Air Assault Badge, and the Combat Action Badge.

Brigadier General Jones currently lives in Northern Virginia with his wife Raven (Gibbs-Bennett) of Greenville, South Carolina and has four children; Malcolm, Danielle, Austin, and Asher.