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Lieutenant Colonel Matthew R. Paquin is the commander of the Los Angeles Military Entrance Processing Station and supports the USMEPCOM mission of evaluating applicants by applying Department of Defense standards in processing and determining eligibility for military service.

He enlisted into the Army through the Boston MEPS in 1993 and received his commission in the Medical Service Corps through ROTC at the University of New Hampshire in 2004.

He served as medical mentor embedded training team, ARSIC-N, Meymaneh Afghanistan; administrative officer and deputy state surgeon-operations/Commander, HHD Massachusetts Army National Guard Medical Command; state surgeon operations officer Massachusetts Army National Guard, Hanscom AFB; Army National Guard medical plans officer, Army National Guard Office of the Chief Surgeon at the National Guard Bureau, Arlington, VA; medical operations branch chief, Army National Guard Office of the Chief Surgeon at the National Guard Bureau, Arlington, VA; medical plans officer, G35 Plans, Office of the Army Surgeon General, Defense Health Headquarters, Falls Church, VA.

His professional military education includes the Mountain Warfare School, Airborne School, 70H Medical Operations Course, Army Medical Department Captains Career Course, Human Resource Qualification Course, Reserve Component Theater Sustainment Course, Command and General Staff College, Advanced Operations Course, Joint Medical Operations Course, NATO Joint Medical Planner Course, the Defense Planner Course and Pre-Command. He earned a Bachelor of Science in medical laboratory science from the University of New Hampshire, a Master of Science in clinical laboratory science, and a graduate certificate in Health Care Management from the University of Massachusetts.

Lt. Col. Paquin's awards and decorations include a Defense Meritorious Service Medal, three Meritorious Service Medals, five Army Commendation Medals, five Army Achievement Medals, two Air Force Commendation Medals, one Air Force Achievement Medal, the mountain warfare rams head device, the basic paratrooper badge, the combat action badge, achieved the Army Surgeon General's 9A identifier, Order of Military Medical Merit (O2M3) and various service, unit and personal medals and ribbons.