



# New York

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## Lieutenant Colonel Matthew M. Barack

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Lt. Col Matthew Barack is the commander of the New York 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 as a Joint Fire Support Specialist in the Kentucky Army National Guard in 1999 and then earned his commission through the Officer Candidate School program in 2006.

Lt. Col. Barack served as both a Liaison and Targeting officer, 138th Field Artillery Brigade, Lexington, Kentucky; Company Executive Officer, Alpha Company, 103rd Brigade Support Battalion, Danville, Kentucky; as first a Program Analyst and then the Program Manager for the Initial Entry Training Program, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia; deployed as the Company Commander with the 203rd Forward Support Company in support of Operation Enduring Freedom; United States Embassy liaison officer, Amman, Jordan; as the Active Guard Reserve Program Manager, Executive Officer to the Army National Guard G-1, and then Department of Army and National Guard Bureau Boards Section Chief, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia; Branch Chief for the Chief National Guard Bureau General Officer Bench Program, Joint Staff, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia; Operations Branch Chief, Human Capital Management and Executive Officer to the Chief of Staff, Army National Guard, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia

His professional military education includes the Total Army Instructor Training; Sling Load Inspector Training; Quartermaster Basic Officer Leader Course; Planning, Programming, Budget, and Execution Course; Contractor Officers Representation training; Comptrollers Fiscal Law Course; Human Resources Management Course; Brigade S-1 Operations Course; Command and General Staff School, Pre-Command Course; and the Senior Officer Legal Orientation Course. He earned an Associates Degree in Arts and Sciences and a Bachelor of Arts in marketing from the University of Kentucky, Master's in management and leadership from Webster University, and expects to complete a Master's of Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College in 2026.

His awards and decorations include a Defense Meritorious Service Medal, four Meritorious Service Medals, three Army Commendation Medals, two Army Achievement Medals, the Joint Meritorious Unit Award and other various service, unit, state and personal medals and ribbons.