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Lieutenant Colonel Brandon B. Fridia is the commander of the San Antonio 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 in the Army at the Oklahoma City MEPS in October 1997 and earned his commission in December 2006 from Army ROTC at Oklahoma University at Norman, Oklahoma.

He served as rifle platoon leader, Baker Company, rifle executive officer, Chosen Company, and battalion S1, 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Carson, Colorado and deployed to Afghanistan; battalion S1, 100th Brigade Support Battalion, 75th Fires Brigade, Fort Sill, Oklahoma and deployed to Kuwait; battery commander, Bravo Battery, 95th Adjutant General Battalion, 434th Field Artillery Brigade, Fort Sill, Oklahoma; operations officer and executive officer, Kansas City Military Entrance Processing Station, Kansas City, Missouri; brigade S1, 17th Field Artillery Brigade, Joint Base Lewis-McCord, Washington; brigade S1, 4th Security Force Assistance Brigade, Security Force Assistance Command, Fort Carson, Colorado; battalion executive officers, 95th Adjutant General Battalion, 434th Field Artillery Brigade, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

His professional military education includes the Basic Officer Leadership Course, Infantry Officer Basic Course, Adjutant General Captain's Career Course, and Command and General Staff College. He earned a Bachelor of Arts in sociology, Oklahoma University, Norman, Oklahoma; and a Master of Arts in human resources management, Webster University, St. Louis, Missouri.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, three Meritorious Service Medal, the Joint Service Commendation medal, three Army Commendation Medals, eight Army Achievement Medals, the Expert Infantry Badge, the Combat Infantry Badge, a Ranger Tab, the Parachutist Badge, the Pathfinder Badge, and various unit and service medals and ribbons.