



**Colorado Army National Guard
Land Component Commander
Colonel
Laura L. Clellan**

COL Clellan was commissioned from the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps at Rio Grande College in Ohio, as a Second Lieutenant in the as a Military Police Officer in 1989. Upon commissioning she served 3 years on active duty as a Military Police Platoon Leader, in the 978th Military Police Company where she deployed to Honduras, Desert Storm and Panama. She left active duty and became a school teacher teaching middle school science. After being in the Inactive Ready Reserves for 3 years, she returned to duty as a reservist in the 91st Training Division in Denver, CO where she served as an Observer/Controller Training Officer for 1 year.

In 1998, she joined the COARNG as the 220th Military Police Company Commander and deployed to Tazar Airbase, Hungary in support of Operation Joint Forge, in the Balkans. Upon returning from Hungary, she began working full time as the Quality Manager for the Commander, COARNG. Her M-day assignments included Commander HQ STARC and S1, 89th Troop Command. In 2002, she was chosen to be the full time Assistant Professor of Military Science and Executive Officer at CU Boulder ROTC. In 2006, she went back to being a traditional Soldier and was the S1 for Special Operations Detachment-Korea and began her civilian career in the Department of Veterans Affairs.

In 2007, she took command of the 193d Military Police Battalion whose missions included the Democratic National Convention, Task Force Civil Disturbance, and Detention Operations in Afghanistan in support of OEF 2010-11. Upon return from OEF, she was selected for the Army War College and assigned as the Brigade Executive Officer for the 89th Troop Command. In 2012, COL Clellan was chosen to command the 168th Regimental Training Institute. COL Clellan currently serves as the Land Component Commander for the COARNG.

COL Clellan's awards include:

Bronze Star Medal

Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Army Commendation Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Army Achievement Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

National Defense Service Medal (with Bronze Service Star)

Southwest Asia Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Service Stars)

Afghanistan Campaign Medal (with Campaign Star)

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Armed Forces Service Medal

Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with M Device, Bronze Hourglass and Numeral 3)

Army Service Ribbon

Army Overseas Service Ribbon (with Numeral 5)

Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon

NATO Medal (with Bronze Service Star- Bosnia and ISAF)

Kuwait Liberation Medal (Saudi Arabia)

Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kuwait)

Parachutist Badge

Drivers Badge

Army Meritorious Unit Commendation

Colorado Achievement Ribbon

Colorado TAG Outstanding Unit Citation (with Bronze Service Star)

Colorado Active Service Medal (with Bronze Service Star)

Colorado Emergency Service Ribbon

State Foreign Deployment Service Ribbon (with Bronze Service Star)

Colorado State Mobilization Support Ribbon

COL Clellan holds a Master's of Education and a Master's of Strategic Studies. In her civilian career, COL Clellan works for US Fish and Wildlife in Lakewood, serving as the Chief for Leadership and Employee Development.