



### **BRIGADIER GENERAL MARK A. McALISTER**

Brigadier General Mark A. McAlister is a 1981 graduate of Hampton Institute with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting. He also holds a Master of Business Administration from Indiana University with Finance, Accounting, and Banking majors. His military education includes the Finance Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Combined Arms and Service Staff School, the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

Prior to joining the Soldier Support Institute, Brigadier General McAlister was assigned to the Pentagon as Executive Officer to the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Financial Management and Comptroller) and Chief of Plans, Programs and Budget Integration. Among his many other assignments, Brigadier General McAlister has served as Commander of the 18<sup>th</sup> Soldier Support Group (Airborne), Fort Bragg, NC; Chief of the Army's Defense Integrated Military Human Resource System program; Chief of PERSCOM's Finance Branch; Commander of the 8<sup>th</sup> Finance Battalion, Baumholder, Germany; Executive Officer of the 208th Finance Battalion, Schwetzingen, Germany; S3 for the 266th Finance Command, Heidelberg, Germany; Brigade S1, 175<sup>th</sup> Theater Finance Command, Korea; Deputy Finance Officer, 82d Airborne Division; and Chief Disbursing Division, Chief Military Pay, and Commander of the 107<sup>th</sup> Finance Section, Fort Bragg NC. He has also served at the US Army Finance School, as the Executive Officer to the Chief of the Finance Corps/Commandant, Chief of Combat Development, and Chief of Finance Branch Personnel Proponency, Fort Benjamin Harrison, IN. Brigadier General McAlister assumed his current assignment as the Commanding General, U.S. Army Soldier Support Institute on 1 July 2009.

Brigadier General McAlister deployments include participation in Operation Support Hope in Rwanda, Task Force Hawk in Albania, Task Force Falcon in Kosovo, and Operation Iraqi Freedom I and III.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit (1 OLC), the Bronze Star (1 OLC), the Meritorious Service Medal (5 OLC), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal (3 OLC), the Army Achievement Medal (3 OLC), the Department of the Army Staff Identification Badge, and the Parachutist Badge.