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Dr. Jack D. Kem serves as the Dean of Academics and Professor at the US Army Command and General Staff College, and concurrently as the Chief Academic Officer for the Army University. He additionally serves as an Adjunct Scholar for the Modern Warfare Institute at West Point. Prior to his current position, Dr. Kem served as the Associate Dean for the Command and General Staff College from 2017-2021, and previously served as a Supervisory Professor in the Department of Joint, Interagency, and Multinational Operations, and Teaching Team Leader for the Command and General Staff School.

From 2009 to 2011, Dr. Kem deployed as a member of the Senior Executive Service to Afghanistan as the Deputy to the Commander, NATO Training Mission – Afghanistan (NTM-A) / Combined Security Transition Command – Afghanistan (CSTC-A). His responsibilities included providing broad oversight of the program management of the Afghanistan Security Forces Fund (over \$25 billion for 2009-11), oversight of the ministerial advising program for the Afghan Ministries of Interior and Defense, serving on the US Embassy's Rule of Law Deputies' Committee, providing oversight of the Afghan National Security Force Literacy Program, and spearheading the Human Rights Integration and Gender Integration Initiatives for the Afghan National Army and Afghan National Police.

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Maintaining an active research agenda, Dr. Kem is the author of four books: *Deep Maneuver: Historical Case Studies of Maneuver in Large-Scale Combat Operations* (2018); *Planning for Action: Campaign Concepts and Tools* (2012); *Campaign Planning: Tools of the Trade* 3d ed. (2009); and *Design: Tools of the Trade* (2009). He has additionally published over 35 articles in a wide variety of publications, including *Journal of Military Learning*, *Military Review*, *Air and Space Power Journal*, *Small Wars Journal*, *Military Intelligence Professional Bulletin*, *Army Chaplaincy*, *Public Administration Review*, *Public Performance and Management Review*, *Public Administration Times*, *Public Administration and Management*, *Essays in Education*, and *Global Virtue Ethics Review*.

Dr. Kem has additionally supervised over 135 Master's theses and 15 major research studies, including research on the Afghanistan Campaign Plan, the Iraq Campaign Plan, Global War on Terrorism Domestic Drivers, Private Military Companies, Irregular Warfare, and Improvised Explosive Devices. Dr. Kem initially entered the US Army in 1974, and retired in 1998 as a Military Intelligence Colonel. His military assignments included service as a Battalion S2, G2 Plans Officer, DTOC Support Element Chief, and Battalion XO in the 82d Airborne Division; as a Brigade S2 in the 3d Infantry Division; as a Company Commander and Battalion S3 in the 3d Armored Division; and as the Battalion Commander of the 319th Military Intelligence Battalion, XVIIIth Airborne Corps.

Dr. Kem's military education includes graduation from the Defense Language Institute (Turkish), Field Artillery Officer Basic Course, Military Intelligence Officer Advanced Course, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Army Command and General Staff College, Air Command and Staff College, Joint Forces Staff College, and the US Army War College. His civilian education includes a BA from Western Kentucky University, an MPA from Auburn University at Montgomery, and a PhD from North Carolina State University.

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