



**SAVANNAH DISTRICT  
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**

**Lieutenant Colonel John R. Grabowski  
Deputy Commander for Cyber Transformation**



Lieutenant Colonel John R. Grabowski assumed duty as the Deputy Commander for Cyber Transformation, Savannah District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, September 5, 2017. As a Deputy Commander stationed at Ft. Gordon, Grabowski oversees the Savannah District's military program while embedded inside the Transformation Cell. The mission is to transform Ft. Gordon into the Army's premiere Cyber Center of Excellence by synchronizing the programming, planning, and execution of over 80 Military Construction and Sustainment Restoration Modernization projects with an expected budget over \$1.6 Billion over the next 10 years. He coordinates closely with multiple USACE districts, contractors, senior military leaders, IMCOM, OACSIM, and Department of the Army. He is directly responsible for efficient communication between USACE and the Transformation Cell as well as the establishment of mutually beneficial procedures furthering strategic goals for both. Additionally Grabowski provides direct military expertise and support to the Georgia State Government during any emergency management situations.

Grabowski holds a Bachelor of Science in Aviation Computer Science from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Prescott, AZ (1995) and a Masters in Business Administration - Project Management from Florida Institute of Technology (2015).

From 1995 to 1999 Grabowski served as a Platoon Leader, battalion adjutant, battalion signal officer, and group signal officer at Ft. Lewis, WA for 1-33 Armor, 29th Signal Battalion, 14th Combat Engineer Battalion (wheeled), and the 555th Engineer Group. During this time, he graduated from the Armor Officer Basic Course (Ft. Knox, Kentucky) and the Signal Officer Transition Course (Ft. Gordon, Georgia).

After joining the Army Reserve in 2002 and serving until 2011, he completed the following assignments: Logistics Officer, Company Commander, and Battalion Executive Officer for 3-334 Infantry Battalion, a Basic Combat Training Battalion in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and Joint Operations Center Watch Officer at Yokota Air Base, Japan. During this period, he graduated from the Signal Officer Advanced Course (Honor Graduate) and Combined Services Staff School. In 2010 he was mobilized to Ft. Benning, Georgia, where he served as the Executive Officer for 1-50 Infantry Battalion. While mobilized, he completed Command and General Staff College in 2010.

In May 2011, Grabowski transferred back to Active Duty, re-branched to the Corps of Engineers, and was assigned to 4th Brigade, 1st Armored Division at Ft. Bliss, Texas. He immediately deployed to Iraq and served as the Brigade Engineer Planner. In the summer of 2012, the unit was restructured and he commanded a Security Forces Advise and Assist Team in Afghanistan that advised the Afghan Uniform Police and Afghan National Civil Order Police in Wardak and Logar Provinces. Upon return in early 2013, he served as the Brigade Engineer, and the Battalion Executive Officer for the 4th Special Troops Battalion, which he transitioned to the 2nd Engineer Battalion, 3rd Brigade, 1st Armored Division before departing. Grabowski's first assignment to the Corps of Engineers was to Mobile District where he served as the 565th Forward Engineer Support Team—Advance (FEST-A) Commander from July 2015—July 2017. He commanded a fully funded Pilot test team, examining the effectiveness and response time to unforecasted missions for a year. He deployed five times: Honduras, Thailand, South Korea, Iraq, and back to Honduras.

Grabowski's awards and decorations include the Bronze star, the Purple Heart, the Meritorious Service Medal (with one oak leaf cluster), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal (with four oak leaf clusters), the Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (with two oak leaf clusters), National Defense Service Medal (with one oak leaf cluster), Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (2nd Award), Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon (4th Award), NATO Medal, Combat Action Badge, and Parachutist Badge.