

LTC (P) TY M. SHEPARD
Joint Task Force Cyber Commander
CALIFORNIA MILITARY DEPARTMENT

LTC (P) Ty Shepard was commissioned in 1998 from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo as an infantry officer. He was assigned to the 3-502nd, 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell where he served as an Infantry Platoon Leader, Battalion positions, and deployed to Macedonia and Kosovo. In 2005 he joined California National Guard and served at the Joint Force Headquarters and then mobilized to Iraq as an infantry Company Commander in 2007 in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Upon redeployment, Lieutenant Colonel Shepard served as a staff officer in the 79th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, executive officer 1-184th Infantry, Joint Staff current operations officer, executive officer for the Joint Staff, and Brigade S3 for the 115th Regional Support Group. He was selected and deployed to the U.S. Embassy Ukraine in 2017 as a C4ISR advisor. In 2020 he trained and led a Joint Task Force headquarters element to Guantanamo Bay Naval Base in Cuba and served as the Deputy Director in support of the Global War on Terrorism. In a state active-duty capacity, Lieutenant Colonel Shepard has stood up and has grown numerous programs such as the veteran's employment initiative Work for Warriors, national defense support to civilian authority C4ISR program, and currently the California Military Departments Joint Task Force Cyber Commander full time and J3 Director in a traditional "M-day" National Guard role.

Lieutenant Colonel Shepard completed his resident Intermediate level education at the United States Army Command and General Staff College and Advanced Operation Course. His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with four Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal (with three Oak Leaf Clusters), Ranger Tab, Combat Action Badge, Airborne badge, and Expert Infantrymen's badge.