



Lt. Col. Sam Kim

Lieutenant Colonel Sam Kim was commissioned in 2003 at the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering Management. He also holds a Master of Science Degree in Defense Analysis from the Naval Postgraduate School.

As a Special Forces officer, Lt. Col. Kim has commanded an operational detachment alpha, a crisis response force troop and a Special Forces company. He's held various staff positions at Special Operations Joint Task Force-Afghanistan, Special Operations Command-Korea, and Special Operations Command-Pacific. His past assignments include leading tank and scout platoons.

Lt. Col. Kim has deployed to numerous locations within the US Indo-Pacific Command and US Central Command areas of responsibility.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Combat Infantryman Badge, Senior Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Military Free Fall Parachutist Badge, Special Forces Tab, and the Ranger Tab.

Lt. Col. Kim is a native of Los Angeles, California and the first of three children born to Korean immigrants to the United States.