

ALAN R. CUNNINGHAM

Colonel, U.S. Army Reserve (Retired)

COL Cunningham graduated with a B.S. in Chemistry from Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, Massachusetts. As a Distinguished Military Graduate from the Reserve Officer Training Corps, he was commissioned as an Infantry Second Lieutenant in the Regular Army. COL Cunningham received Infantry Platoon Officer and Heavy Mortar Platoon Officer training at Fort Benning, Georgia and served as the Heavy Mortar Platoon Officer and Assistant Battalion Supply Officer with the 1st Battalion 18th Infantry Regiment, 1st Mechanized Infantry Division, Fort Riley, Kansas as well as the Battalion Supply Officer for the Supply and Transportation Battalion, 1st Infantry Division. He was transferred to the Quartermaster Corps receiving Supply Officer Training at Fort Lee, Virginia and serving one tour in Vietnam as a Logistics Assistance Officer to the Republic of Korea Tiger Division. After Vietnam, he was the Installation Food Advisor at Fort Campbell, Kentucky before resigning from the Regular Army and transferring to the Army Reserve. Since joining the Army Reserve, he held Research and Development Officer positions as an Individual Mobilization Augmentee (IMA) with the Communications and Electronics Command at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey and Drilling IMA with Headquarters, Department of the Army, The Pentagon, Washington, DC before retiring as a Colonel with over 32-1/2 years of combined military service.

On the civilian side, after obtaining a Masters of Business Administration from Babson College, Wellesley, Massachusetts, COL Cunningham worked as a consultant doing research on the automobile industry for the U.S. Department of Transportation. In addition, he was a Plant Manager and a Manager of Corporate Planning before teaching computer programming and systems engineering at Temple University as an Adjunct Lecturer for the Business School. After ten years of work outside the Government, he accepted a position as an Operations Research Analyst with the U.S. Army Logistics Center, Fort Lee, Virginia before a change in mission and functions transferred him to the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command Analysis Center at Fort Lee. In his 28 years at Fort Lee, he has analyzed many types of systems with an eye for logistics impacts. Since 2003, he has been involved in performing analyses for the Reserve Components related to their movement from a strategic Reserve to an operational Reserve as well as incorporating the Reserve Components into the Army Force Generation Process.

In the community, COL Cunningham has held the positions of President, Willingboro, New Jersey Lions Club, Treasurer and Executive Vice President of the Richmond Chapter, Military Officers Association of America, and Treasurer of his local homeowners association. He is also an associate member of the Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge serving in the positions of Trustee, Chairman of the Futures Committee, and Vice President Military Affairs.

COL Cunningham's education also includes a Masters in Strategic Studies from the Army War College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania. He is a graduate of the Defense Leadership & Management Program and the Office of Personnel Management Executive Potential Program. Major awards include: Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Achievement Medal, Expert Infantryman Badge, Army Staff Identification Badge, and Commander's Award for Civilian Service with three Laurel Leaf Clusters.