



**BRIGADIER GENERAL Christian F. Wortman**  
**Deputy Director of Operations (J3)**  
**United States European Command**

Brigadier General Wortman is a native of Warren, Pennsylvania, and a 1991 graduate of the United States Naval Academy. He is currently serving as the Deputy Director of Operations, J-3, U.S. European Command.

As a company grade officer, he served in a variety of command and staff assignments in the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Marine Divisions, as a rifle platoon commander, rifle and weapons company executive officer, rifle company commander, Battalion Landing Team assistant operations officer, and Light Armored Reconnaissance weapons company commander. While in these assignments, Brigadier General Wortman participated in numerous contingency and security force assistance missions in the Caribbean and Mediterranean Sea regions. Additionally, as a captain, he served as a writer in the Commandant's Staff Group in support of the 31<sup>st</sup> Commandant of the Marine Corps and as a history instructor at the U.S. Naval Academy.

As a field grade officer, Brigadier General Wortman served as Operations Officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion; Executive Officer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines and 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines; Commanding Officer, Recruiting Station Indianapolis; Commanding Officer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines; Plans Officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division; Senior Aide to the Commandant of the Marine Corps; Senior Marine Representative for Force Development, Office of Secretary of Defense – Policy; Senior Advisor to the Afghan General Staff Chief of Plans, Afghan Assistant Minister for Strategy and Policy, and Afghan Chief of General Staff; and Commanding Officer, The Basic School. He served as the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, I Marine Expeditionary Force. He was most recently assigned as the Commanding General, Marine Corps Warfighting Lab, and Vice Chief of Naval Research. While assigned as Executive Officer of 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 5<sup>th</sup> Marines, he participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom. While assigned as the Commanding Officer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Marines and Battalion Landing Team 2/4, he deployed with the 31<sup>st</sup> Marine Expeditionary Unit and his unit conducted security force assistance missions throughout Southeast Asia and supported Operation Enduring Freedom - Philippines.

Brigadier General Wortman graduated with distinction from the Naval Academy with a bachelor of science in history. While a midshipman at the Naval Academy, he served as the brigade commander, the senior leadership position among the 4500 midshipmen. He was the honor graduate from his TBS Basic Officers Course class and received the Infantry Officer Course Wheeler Award for Infantry and Leadership Excellence. Brigadier General Wortman holds a Master of Arts in history from the University of Maryland, Master of Operational Studies from the Marine Corps University School of Advanced Warfighting, and Master of Strategic Studies from the National War College. He was a distinguished graduate from the National War College. Brigadier General Wortman was a Term Member of the Council on Foreign Relations from 1999 – 2004.

Brigadier General Wortman and his wife Susan have 3 daughters, Ella, Julia, and Sophia. He is the son of Ann and Jerry Wortman.