

MAJOR GENERAL VICTOR J. BRADEN
Commanding General, 35th Infantry Division
Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

Major General Victor J. Braden and his wife, Marla, have two daughters, two sons-in-law, and one grandson.

As of March 4, 2016, Major General Braden is the Commanding General, 35th Infantry Division. His prior assignments and deployments include serving as the Deputy Commanding General – Army National Guard, Combined Arms Center, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; Deputy Commanding General – Operations, 35th Infantry Division, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; Senior Advisor for the 205th Afghan National Army Corps, 4th Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division, Kandahar, Afghanistan in support of OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM; Brigade Commander, 69th Troop Command, Topeka, Kansas; and Commander, 1st Battalion, 108th Aviation Regiment, Tuzla, Bosnia as part of STABILIZATION FORCE 13. He has served in other command and staff assignments in Germany, Korea, and various locations in the United States. In addition, he deployed to Southwest Asia in support of OPERATION DESERT STORM/DESERT SHIELD in 1990 and 1991.



Major General Braden has a broad and diverse education background, including a National Security Fellowship from Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government in 2005, a Juris Doctor from Washburn University's School of Law in 1998, and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from the University of Kansas in 1995. In addition, he is a 2011 Leadership Kansas alumnus.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal (with one Oak Leaf Cluster), and the Meritorious Service Medal (with three Oak Leaf Clusters). He has earned the Combat Action Badge, Senior Army Aviator Badge, and Air Assault Badge.

In his civilian profession, Major General Braden is the leader of the Kansas Attorney General's Criminal Litigation Division, which focuses on the prosecution of murderers, major illicit drug traffickers, and child predators. As a prosecutor with more than 18 years of experience, he has handled numerous high-profile murder cases in Kansas, including those that qualify for the death penalty.