



## **Brigadier General John L. Gronski**

Brigadier General (BG) John L. Gronski is currently assigned to Joint Force Headquarters, Pennsylvania National Guard, Ft Indiantown Gap, PA as an Assistant Adjutant General.

BG Gronski commanded infantry units at the company, battalion, and brigade level. He was assigned as a Military Liaison Team Chief in the Republic of Lithuania from January 2000 to January 2001. BG Gronski commanded 55<sup>th</sup> Brigade, 28<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division from July 2001 to November 2004. While commanding 55<sup>th</sup> Brigade, BG Gronski was deployed to Europe as commander of Task Force Keystone, a brigade-sized element comprised of approximately 2,000 Soldiers, to conduct force protection operations in response to the terrorist attacks of September 11th. BG Gronski commanded the 2<sup>ND</sup> Brigade Combat Team 28<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division from January 2005 to August 2006. The 2<sup>ND</sup> Brigade Combat Team conducted combat operations in Ramadi, Iraq to neutralize the insurgency and develop the Iraqi Security Forces in order to support the development of a legitimate Iraqi government. The brigade was organized for combat with approximately 5,400 American Soldiers, Marines, Sailors, and Air Force personnel and approximately 5,000 Iraqi Soldiers.

BG Gronski received his commission in 1978 through the ROTC program at the University of Scranton. He served on active duty for four years before becoming a member of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard. BG Gronski is a graduate of numerous military schools to include the U.S. Army War College, the Command and General Staff Course, the Infantry Officer Advanced Course, Ranger School, and Airborne School. He has received numerous military decorations, service medals, and badges to include the Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters, Army Achievement Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, Ranger Tab, and Basic Parachutist Badge. He is a member of VFW Post 6150 in Sinking Spring, PA

BG Gronski earned a Master of Business Administration from Penn State University (Great Valley) in 2003, a Master of Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College in 2001, and a Bachelor of Science in Human Services from the University of Scranton in 1978.

In his civilian career BG Gronski is a senior management consultant with Greencastle Associates Consulting in Frazer, PA. BG Gronski and his wife Berti reside in Berks County, PA. They have two sons. Stephen served in the United States Marine Corps and currently works in the construction industry and Timothy attends college and is a Sergeant assigned to 1-109 Infantry Battalion, Pennsylvania Army National Guard, and is a combat veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom.