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Maloan is promoted to Major General in Tennessee National Guard

NASHVILLE - Brigadier General William M. "Mike" Maloan, of the Tennessee Army National Guard, was promoted to the rank of Major General during ceremonies recently at the offices of the National Guard Association of Tennessee in Nashville. Major General Gus Hargett, Tennessee's Adjutant General, officially pinned on the second star before a large group of family and friends.

Maj. Gen. Maloan now assumes duties as Deputy Commander of the Tennessee Guard's Joint Force Headquarters in Nashville. In this capacity he is responsible for readiness and effectiveness in training and logistics for the Guard's state and federal missions. He also directs, supervises and coordinates the Joint Force Headquarters staff.

In his civilian occupation, the general serves as Presiding Judge and Chancellor of the 27th Judicial District for Weakley and Obion Counties in West Tennessee.

A veteran of 26 years in the National Guard, Maj. Gen. Maloan began his career as an enlisted Airman with the 164th Support Squadron in Memphis (now the 164th Air Wing). He received a direct commission as 1st Lieutenant in 1988.

He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Tennessee-Martin and Juris Doctor (Law) from Memphis State University. He is also a graduate of the U.S. Army Command General Staff College and holds a Master of Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.

The Maloans reside in Martin, Tennessee. Mrs. Maloan is the former Sharon Forsythe of Martin.

PHOTO: Brig. Gen. William M. "Mike" Maloan receives his second star after being promoted to the rank of Major General in the Tennessee National Guard. Pinning on the new star is Major General Gus Hargett, Tennessee's Adjutant General, while Mrs. Maloan (Sharon) observes.

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