



Brigadier General Paul M. Benenati
Commanding General, 7th Civil Support Command

Brigadier General Paul M. Benenati was commissioned in 1980 through ROTC from the University of Richmond (Virginia), with a Bachelor's degree in Sociology. He was commissioned into the Military Police Corps upon graduation. He is a graduate of the Quartermaster Officer Basic Course, the Military Police Corps Advanced Course, Command and General Staff College, the United States Army War College, earning a Master's Degree in Strategic Studies, and completed the National Defense University CAPSTONE program.

Before assuming command of the 7th Civil Support Command and being appointed as the 21st Theater Sustainment Command Deputy Commanding General, Brig. Gen Benenati was the commander of the 451st Sustainment Command (Expeditionary), Wichita, Kan. Immediately prior, he served in the dual-hatted role as commander of the 102nd Training Division (Maneuver Support) and Deputy Commanding General, Mobilization and Training for the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Since September 11, 2001, Brig. Gen. Benenati has served on various Active Duty tours, including: Commander, 2-80th Military Police Battalion, training Soldiers during Operation Noble Eagle at Fort Dix, N.J. and Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif.; Commander, 7th Brigade, 80th Division, in Salem, Va.; and Commander, 1st Brigade (Initial Entry Training), at Fort Meade, Md. He was mobilized to support Operation Iraqi Freedom, serving as the mobilization station Commander for deploying 80th Division units, and as the Commander of the Emergency Operations Center and Chief of Mobilization. He served in Iraq handling Reception, Staging, Onward movement, Integration, and redeployment activities before returning to serve as the Assistant Division Commander and acting Commander of the 94th Training Division, where he was selected as a General Officer.

In addition to his command experience, Brig. Gen Benenati has extensive staff experience. These assignments include: Division Plans, Operations and Security officer, Provost Marshal, Brigade liaison officer, Chief of Administrative Services for the 2174th Garrison, Deputy Provost Marshal, Battalion Operations Officer, Initial Entry Training Branch Chief, Physical Security Officer and Safety Officer.

Brig. Gen. Benenati's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit (with oak leaf cluster), Meritorious Service Medal (with three oak leaf clusters), Army Commendation Medal (with four oak leaf clusters), Army Achievement Medal (with oak leaf cluster), the Iraqi Campaign Medal and the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal.