

CURRICULUM VITAE

BRIGADIER GENERAL MURRAY PIGGOTT



Personal Details

Brig Gen Murray Piggott was born on 11 February 1956, in Co Galway, in the west of Ireland. He is married to Teresa; they have two adult children, one of whom is a serving Cavalry officer, and they live in Maynooth, County Kildare.

Military Service

Brig Gen Piggott joined the Irish Defence Forces as a Cadet in 1973. He was commissioned as an officer in 1975 and appointed as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Infantry Corps to the Eastern Brigade (Dublin). Most of his early career was spent in a variety of appointments within the Brigade, which included Company Commander and Battalion 2IC, as well as key appointments in the operations, training and intelligence functions of the Brigade Headquarters and culminated with his appointment as Battalion Commander of the 27th Battalion.

In addition, he has served in a number of senior staff appointments in Irish Defence Forces Headquarters including the appointment of Director Human Resource Management and Director of Operations and Plans.

Overseas Service

Brig Gen Piggott has a wide range of overseas experience. He has served on four different deployments to South Lebanon with UNIFIL, including appointments as Platoon Commander and Company Commander, as well as staff appointments in UNIFIL HQ in the Logistics Cell and with the Military Police. His service with the UN continued in 1997 when he deployed to Croatia and Montenegro, as part of the UNMOP mission, and filled roles as Military Administration Officer and Team Leader of an Observer Team. In 2005, he completed a six-month tour of duty in HQ UNMIL, Liberia, as Military Advisor to the Chief of Staff.

In September 2009, he was selected to fill the appointment of J3 Chief Operations Officer, FHQ, MINURCAT, CHAD, where he served for eight months.

Education

Brig Gen Piggott received his early education in Our Lady's College, Gort, County Galway. He is a Certified Public Accountant, awarded by the Institute of Certified Public Accountants in Ireland and is also a graduate of the Irish Defence Forces Command and Staff School.

Interests

Brig Gen Piggott has a wide variety of interests. As well as being an avid reader, particularly in the area of military developments, he enjoys hill walking and is a regular scuba diver.