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COL Dickson received his undergraduate degree in 1997 from Texas A&M University in Civil Engineering and his Master of Business Administration (Environmental Management) from the University of Houston-Clear Lake in 2011. He received his Master in International Relations (Security Policy Studies) at St. Mary's University in 2017. Recently, he graduated from the Marshall Strategic Leader Program (ASLSP) and received his Master of Arts in Strategic Studies. He is a registered Professional Civil Engineer in Texas. He served as the Battalion Commander for the Army Forces Battalion from 2014 to 2015 in JTF-Bravo, Soto Cano Air Base, Republic of Honduras.



Following this from July 2015 through July of 2017, COL Dickson served as the Deputy Commanding Officer for the 85th Civil Affairs Brigade. He served as the Commander for the 85th Civil Affairs Brigade in Fort Hood Texas from July 2017 through April of 2018. He then served as the Civil Affairs Branch Chief for Officer Personnel Management Directorate (OPMD) at Human Resources Command from April 2018 through June 2020. Until June of 2022 he served as the senior military faculty at the Senior Service College at SAMS through the Advanced Strategic Leadership Studies Program (ASLSP) – Marshall Strategic Leaders. Currently he is serving as the J56 – Strategic Resilience and Stability Division Chief for US Africa Command in Kelley Barracks, Stuttgart, Germany.

COL Dickson is married to the former Sidonie De Kunder of San Antonio, TX, and they have four children: Victoria (31), Nicholas (27), Elizabeth (26), and Milena (14) and one Grandchild – Lilith (5)