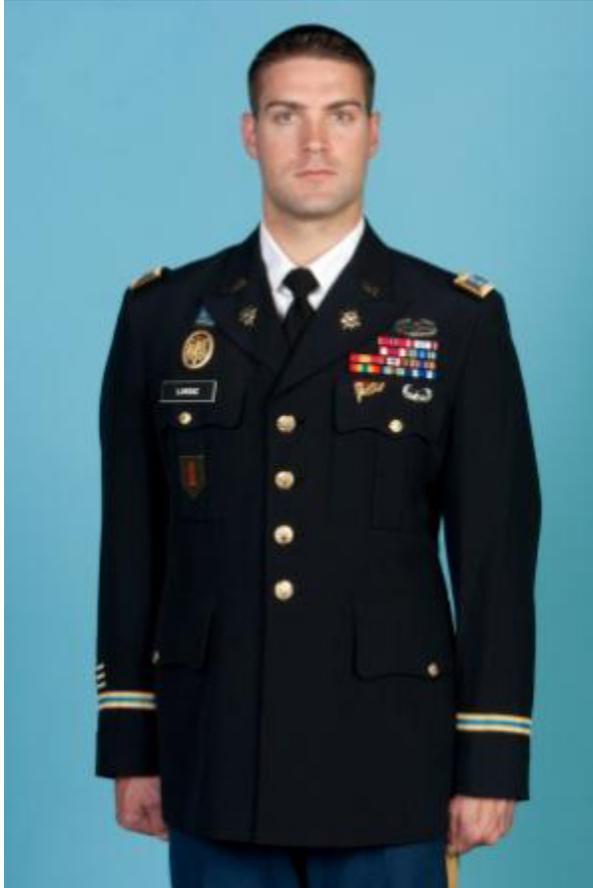


CAPTAIN CHAD R. LORENZ
2014 Recipient

LTG Sidney T. Weinstein Award for Excellence in Military Intelligence



CPT Chad Lorenz graduated from the US Military Academy in 2007 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Management. He was commissioned as a Military Intelligence officer and branch-detailed as an Armor officer. Following completion of the Armor Officer Basic Course at Fort Knox, Kentucky, he was assigned to Fort Hood, Texas, as a member of 3rd Brigade, 1st Infantry Division. During the subsequent deployment to Kunar and Nuristan Provinces, Afghanistan, from 2008-2009, CPT Lorenz served as a platoon leader and staff officer in the 6th Squadron, 4th Cavalry Regiment. Completing the deployment, CPT Lorenz followed 3rd Brigade and 6-4 CAV as they transitioned to Fort Knox, and served as a troop executive officer, troop commander, and rear detachment commander from 2009-2012.

After satisfying the Armor Branch detail requirement, CPT Lorenz began his career as a Military Intelligence officer and attended the MI Captain's Career Course in 2012, where he graduated 3rd in his class. CPT Lorenz then returned to Fort Hood and was selected for assignment to Headquarters Battalion, III Corps, as a member of the Corps G2 Analysis and Control Element (ACE). As the Production Officer in the ACE prior to deployment, CPT Lorenz's diligent oversight ensured the Commander and Corps senior leadership had access to the most pertinent, up-to-date intelligence, thus improving their situational understanding for the III Corps upcoming deployment.

Once deployed to Afghanistan, CPT Lorenz served as the senior analyst for the Regional Command East and Capital desk in the Joint Intelligence Support Element (JISE), International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) Joint Command. He quickly developed extensive subject matter expertise, drawing upon threat, governance, development, and Afghan National Security Forces information to produce well rounded

assessments. CPT Lorenz's products always exceeded expectations and were timely and predictive. By continuously coordinating with external organizations, higher headquarters, and subordinate units, he earned a strong reputation for fostering a shared understanding of the operational environment.

CPT Lorenz was also handpicked to chair a joint, interagency working group tracking a strategic threat from the Haqqani Network to the ISAF mission. Ultimately, his efforts provided advanced warning and allowed the neutralization of a number of targets and prevented the threat from materializing, undoubtedly saving countless Coalition and Afghan lives.

Separately, CPT Lorenz completed an extensive research project in collaboration with Dr. Lester Grau, author of The Bear Went Over the Mountain and currently positioned at the Foreign Military Studies Office at Fort Leavenworth. The project gave perspective to the ongoing conversation regarding the survivability of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan post-2014, providing historical and current data to compare modern day scenarios with conditions leading up to and following the Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan in 1989. CPT Lorenz's detailed analysis influenced both the Joint Command and ISAF Commander's views on the current and potential future situation in theater and allowed them to provide context to current events to visiting NATO and US policy makers.

Over the course of 2013, CPT Lorenz consistently demonstrated an exceptional level of tactical and technical competency in both a garrison and combat environment. In addition, he proved to be an outstanding leader and role model for the III Corps junior leaders, exemplifying the Army Values and the ideals of Duty, Honor, Country. COL Paul Norwood, the G2 for III Corps, cited CPT Lorenz's leadership, team first attitude and exceptional analytical skills as key to mission success during the III Corps deployment. LTG Mark Milley, III Corps Commander, also praised CPT Lorenz's exceptional competence and leadership abilities and called him "the #1 Intel captain I have ever seen." CPT Lorenz's dedication to intelligence support to operations, as well as to the Army values and the ideals of Duty, Honor, Country, make him a fitting recipient of the LTG Sidney T. Weinstein Award for Excellence in Military Intelligence.