



Brigadier General Scott W. Hiipakka entered military service in June 1993 as an Infantry Officer where he was initially assigned to the 10th Mountain Division as an Infantry platoon leader and then Mortar Platoon Leader. Upon selection to the 75th Ranger Regiment, he served with the 3rd Ranger Battalion until he left active-duty service in June 1997.

Following active duty, BG Hiipakka entered the Michigan Army National Guard in 2001 where he immediately assumed command of the Headquarters, Headquarters Detachment Commander, 210 Military Police Battalion. His follow-on assignments have included multiple Commands and Staff Officer positions in the 210 MP BN, the 177 MP BDE, the 46 MP CMD, Joint Forces Headquarters, 63 Troop Command, and

Provost Marshal Camp Grayling, His most recent assignments include Assistant Chief of Staff-G3, 46 MP Command; Commander- 177 Regional Training Institute (RTI); Commander- 177 Military Police Brigade and Land Component Commander for the Michigan Army National Guard.

His deployments include Operation Uphold Democracy-Haiti; Operation Noble Eagle-Military District of Washington; and Operation Enduring Freedom-Regional Command West, Afghanistan where he served as a Task Force Commander and Senior Advisor to the Afghan Border Police.

His military schools include Infantry Officer Basic Course, Military Police Captain's Career Course, Airborne, Air Assault, Ranger, Mortar Leader's Course, Joint Staff Training Course, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Command and General Staff College, NORTHCOM Joint Task Force Commanders Course, Dual Status Commanders Course, and the US Army War College. He holds a bachelor's degree in Advertising from Michigan State, a Certificate of Bioterrorism Preparedness and a master's degree in Homeland Security from Penn State University and a master's degree in Strategic Studies from the US Army War College.

His awards and decorations include the Ranger Tab, Airborne, Air Assault, Expert Infantryman's Badge, German Armed Forces Parachutist Wings-Bronze, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal with silver and oak leaf clusters, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters, Afghanistan Campaign Medal w/ Campaign Star, the National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Service Star, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Components Achievement Medal with M Device, Army Service Ribbon, Reserve Achievement Medal, NATO Medal, Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon, the Army Lapel Pin, and the Meritorious Unit Commendation.

BG Hiipakka is the Chief Executive Officer of the Michigan Israel Business Accelerator, a non-profit corporation dedicated to advancing bilateral economic partnerships between Michigan and Israel. He and his wife Susan have been married for 25 years and reside in Milford, Michigan. They are the proud parents of Abby (22) and Alex (19).