

Colonel L. C. Dalton

Colonel L.C. Dalton assumed the duties of Director of Artillery on Saturday 18 February 2012 until 17 March 2014.

Colonel Craig Dalton was commissioned into the Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery in August 1990 and commenced service with the 2nd Regiment at



CFB Petawawa. His initial regimental tour included service with D Battery (1990 to 1991) and E Battery (Para) (1991 to 1994) and included a deployment to Cyprus on Operation SNOWGOOSE 59. Posted to the Field Artillery School in 1994, Col Dalton completed the Instructor-in-Gunnery Course (Field) and served as an Instructor-in-Gunnery until December 1995. In January 1996, Col Dalton returned to the 2nd Regiment in the capacity of Regimental Command Post Officer a position he held until the summer of 1999. During this period, he deployed to Bosnia-Herzegovina with 3rd Battalion, The Royal Canadian Regiment where he served as the Senior Liaison Officer and, upon the Battalion's redeployment, remained in theatre joining the staff of Multi-national Division (SW) HQ as a planner. After being selected to command C Battery, Col Dalton joined the 1st Regiment Royal Canadian Horse Artillery in 2002 and spent the following two years supporting 3rd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

Upon relinquishing command in 2004, he proceeded to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas to attend the United States Army Command and General Staff College and subsequently the United States Army School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS). Upon graduation from SAMS in 2006, Col Dalton returned to Canada and joined the International Plans Directorate on the Strategic Joint Staff, where he served until selected to command the 2nd Regiment Royal Canadian Horse Artillery in the summer of 2007. Col Dalton commanded the 2nd Regiment until summer 2009 when he was appointed Commanding Officer (Designate) of the Kandahar Provincial Reconstruction Team (KPRT). Col Dalton deployed to Afghanistan in January 2010 and commanded the KPRT until its

transition to a civilian-led organization at which time he assumed the duties of Chief of Staff Task Force Kandahar. In 2011, Col Dalton was posted to Canberra Australia to attend the Defence and Strategic Studies Course at the Australian Defence College. Upon completion, Col Dalton returned to Canada and assumed the position of Chief of Staff Land Force Doctrine and Training System, a position he held until he assumed command of 3 Area Support Group/Canadian Forces Base Gagetown on 30 August 2012.

Col Dalton is a graduate of the Canadian Land Force Command and Staff College,

the United States Army Command and General Staff College, and the United States Army School of Advanced Military Studies. He holds a Bachelors degree from the Royal Military College of Canada, a Master of Science in Administration from Central Michigan University, a Master of Military Arts and Science from the United States Army School of Advanced Military Studies and a Master of Arts in Strategy from Deakin University Australia.

He is married to Joanne, and they have 3 children, James, Sarah and Samuel. He enjoys running, golf and various other outdoor activities.