

***Colonel John R. Sadler***  
Defense and Army Attaché to Yugoslavia  
US Embassy in Belgrade

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Graduated from Shippensburg University in 1977 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree. He also holds a Master of Arts Degree in National Security Affairs from the Naval Postgraduate School. His military education includes the Armor Officer Basic Course, Airborne School, Infantry Officer Advanced Course, Command and General Staff College, Defense Language Institute (Serbo-Croatian) and the Army War College.

Colonel Sadler has served in a variety of command and staff assignments. In the 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division (Ft. Riley, Kansas), he served as Tank Platoon Leader and Company Executive Officer, B Company, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 63<sup>rd</sup> Armor. He then served as the Battalion Maintenance Officer, and commanded C Company for two years. After two years of graduate and language schooling in Monterey, California, in 1985 he was assigned to the U.S. Embassy, Belgrade, Yugoslavia for a Foreign Area Officer in-country training tour. From Yugoslavia he returned to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas and served in the Threats Directorate as a staff officer and as Chief, Scenarios Branch, Scenarios and Models Division. In 1990, Colonel Sadler assumed duties as Chief, Threats Division, Combat Developments Directorate, Fort Knox, Kentucky. The following year he became Operations Officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Squadron, 12<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Regiment, and subsequently served as the squadron's Executive Officer, and as Executive Officer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 33<sup>rd</sup> Armor. In 1993 he reported to the Pentagon for duty as Command Briefer/Senior Analyst, Yugoslav Task Force, in the JCS J2. While in that assignment he was deployed from November 1993 to April 1994 as Chief, Defense Intelligence Agency, National Intelligence Support Team (NIST), Joint Task Force Provide Promise, Naples, Italy. From 1995 to 1998 Colonel Sadler served as the Defense and Army Attaché to the Republic of Croatia, Zagreb, Croatia. In 1998 he assumed duties on the International Military Staff, Headquarters, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Brussels, Belgium. In that capacity he assisted in executing NATO's Partnership for Peace (PfP) program. In 2000 he was reassigned as Chief, International Operations Division, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Headquarters, United States Army Europe, Heidelberg, Germany. Colonel Sadler will assume duties in June 2001 as Defense and Army Attaché to Yugoslavia at the US Embassy in Belgrade.

Colonel Sadler has been awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Meritorious Service Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award (3 Oak Leaf Clusters), NATO Medal, Parachutist Badge, Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge, and the Order of Prince Branimir from the Republic of Croatia.

Colonel Sadler is married to the former Carolyn Patton, an alumni of the University of Texas ROTC Program. They have two daughters and a son.