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Colonel Alexander Snowden was born and raised in Memphis, Tennessee, the son of Col John Bayard Snowden III, USMC and Anne Heuer Snowden. After studying abroad in Scotland, he graduated from Colorado State University in 1995. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in December 1997. Following graduation from The Basic School and the Infantry Officer Course, he was assigned to 3d Battalion, 8th Marines, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. There he served with Kilo Company as a Rifle Platoon Commander and Weapons Platoon Commander. During this tour, his unit deployed in support of Operation Noble Anvil and Shining Hope in Albania and Operation Joint Guardian in Kosovo followed by Operation Avid Response in Turkey. In Kosovo, 2nd Lieutenant Snowden served as the quick reaction platoon commander during combat operations.

Upon return from deployment, 1stLt Snowden served in various staff billets at Headquarters Marine Corps in Quantico, Virginia and as watch officer in the Pentagon. During this tour, he was promoted to Captain.

In 2004, Captain Snowden left active duty, and joined the Selected Marine Corps Reserves (SMCR) where he was selected to Major. In June 2009, he transferred to Kilo Company, 3d Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment, 4th Marine Division as the Company Commander. He deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom where, soon after arrival, Kilo Company was attached to 3d Battalion, 5th Marines in Sangin, Afghanistan in support of combat operations. During this tour Kilo Company conducted numerous combat missions in Helmand Province.

In 2011 Major Snowden became the Executive Officer of 3d Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment. While Executive Officer, Major Snowden was the OIC of Exercise Saber Strike in Latvia and Exercise Western Accord in Senegal, Africa.

In July 2014 Major Snowden was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and assumed command of 3d Battalion, 23rd Marines in Bridgeton, Missouri. After successful command, LtCol Snowden attended the Naval War College Resident Program in Newport, Rhode Island, earning a Master of National Securities and Strategic Studies. Upon completion of the War College, LtCol Snowden became the operations officer at Joint Enabling Capabilities Command (JECC) in Norfolk, Va. until present. In December 2019, LtCol Snowden was selected for promotion to the rank of Colonel.

In his civilian career, Col Snowden is the Area Vice President for WishBone Orthopedics. He serves as Secretary and member of the board of the Marine Corps Reserve Association. He resides in Memphis, TN with his wife, Holly and two children, daughter Taylor, and son Charles. They are active members of St. John's Episcopal Church and enjoy visiting Newport as often as they can to see friends.

His personal decorations include the Combat Action Ribbon, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal (X3) and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.