



LtCol Ted Fienning

United States Marine Corps Reserve

LtCol Fienning earned his Bachelor of Arts in Latin American History from Harvard College in June of 2001 and was commissioned in the United States Marine Corps in August of 2003. Following The Basic Officer's Course in Quantico, VA, Second Lieutenant Fienning reported to NAS Pensacola, FL for API, then Primary Flight Training at NAS Whiting Field, FL with the Red Knights of VT-3.

Selected for jet training, Second Lieutenant Fienning reported to the Tigers of VT-9 at NAS Meridian, MS, and was designated a Naval Aviator in July of 2006. Selected for F/A-18 Hornet training, he joined the Hawks of VMFA(AW)-533 at MCAS Beaufort, S.C. in 2007 where he served as a section lead and held collateral duties as the squadron Quality Assurance Officer, S-1 Administrative Officer over two deployments.

In August of 2010, Capt Fienning reported to Marine Corps Recruiting Command's First District, Garden City, N.Y. as the Recruitment Advertising Officer for the NE United States. Maj Fienning was promoted in 2014 while serving as a C-12 Huron pilot with Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron at MCAS Beaufort, SC. He was designated an aircraft commander and completed both PME and a Master's Degree in Military Operational Art and Science (concentration in Joint Warfare) with the USAF.

In 2019, Maj Fienning reported to the Deputy Assistant of the Navy for Military Manpower and Personnel as a Policy Specialist for reserve mobilizations as well as Marine Corps support for the Marine Corps Reserve Policy Board and National Navy Reserve Policy Board. Maj Fienning researched and identified shortcomings in reserve mobilization processes and authored a SECNAVINST requested by the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs to modernize, clarify and align Navy and Marine Corps mobilization validations with SecDef Orders Book (Joint Staff) authorization processes.

In 2020, Maj Fienning reported to MAG-49 as Future Operations Officer and was board selected to join Marine Transport Squadron (VMR) Belle Chasse. In 2021, LtCol Fienning was promoted while deployed to Europe and serving in a second, simultaneous billet as 4thMAW Adversary Liaison for the pending stand up of VMFT-401 at MCAS Beaufort, S.C.

LtCol Fienning is married to Molly Fienning and is father of two boys, Sawyer (11) and Fox (7) in Charleston, S.C. LtCol Fienning is a graduate of Air Command & Staff College, Air War College.