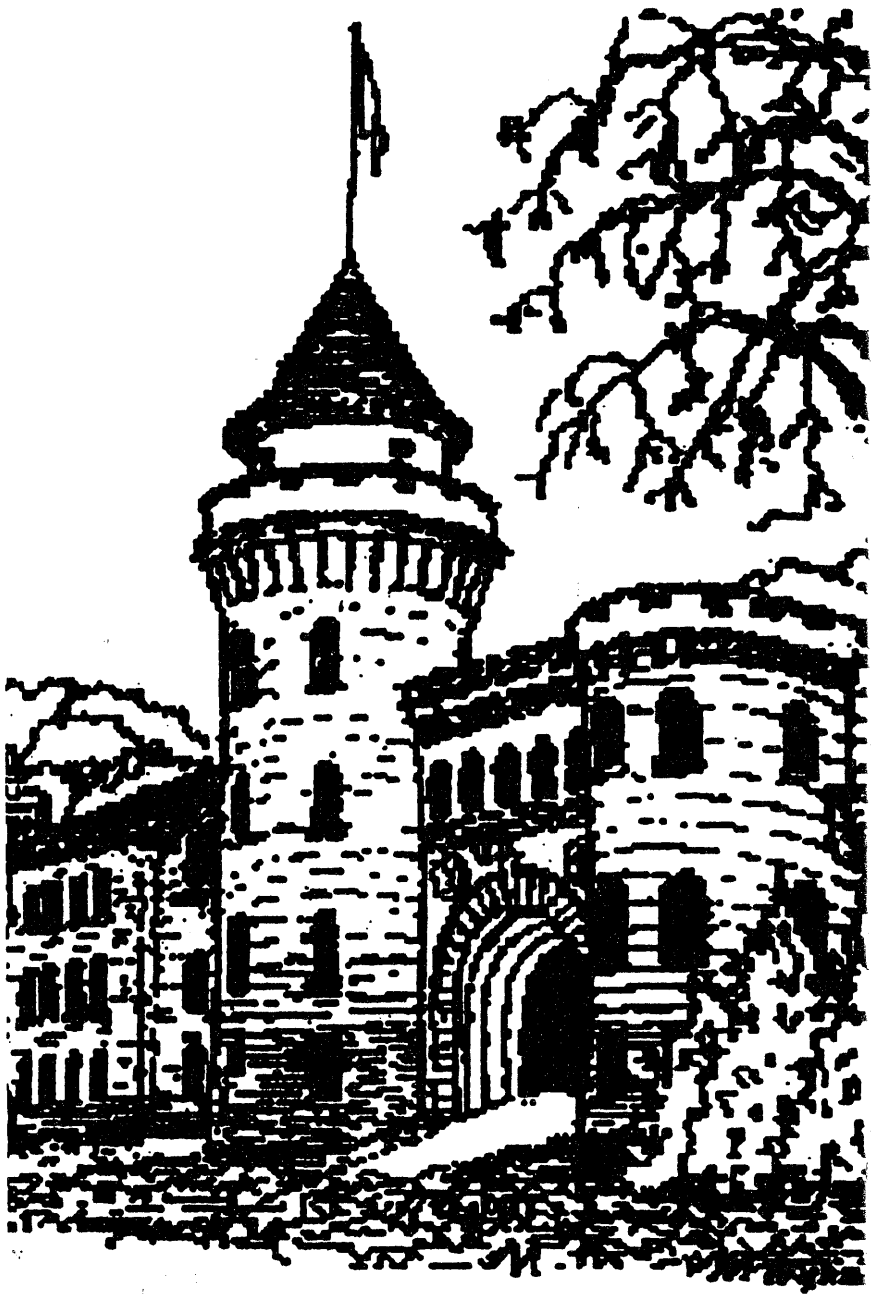


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## **COMMISSIONING CEREMONY**

JUNE 20, 1997  
7:00 p.m.  
Lockhart Hall Auditorium Room 25  
Law School Building

## HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY

The Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) plays an important role in the national defense framework of our nation. The American tradition of military instruction on civilian college campuses began in 1819 when a former superintendent at West Point established the American Library, Scientific and Military Academy, which later became Norwich University. Military instruction soon spread to other institutions - Virginia Military Institute in 1839, the University of Tennessee in 1840, and the Citadel in 1842.

In 1862 the Congress of the United States, foreseeing the dual necessities of creating additional institution of higher learning, as well as providing a means of schooling young men in the military arts, passed the Morrill Land Grant Act. This act provided money from the sale of government lands to establish colleges and universities and specified that courses in the military arts should be offered at these institutions.

The University of Minnesota opened its doors in 1869 through the benefits made available by the Morrill Act. One of the original nine faculty members was the University's first professor of military science, Major General Richard W. Johnson. For 70 years, ROTC training at the University prepared young men for entrance into the Army. Then in 1939 a Naval ROTC unit was established, and in 1949 an Air Force ROTC program opened its doors to officer candidates.

For nearly 150 years, ROTC programs on civilian colleges campuses have provided intelligent, well-educated leaders for the national defense. This is in keeping with the typically American concepts of the citizen-soldier and civilian-oriented military officers from all geographic and social strata whose leadership has been characterized by initiative, ingenuity, and flexibility. Also, because ROTC officers may return to civilian status when they have fulfilled their military obligation, ROTC programs provide leadership resources not only for national defense but also for civilian enterprise.

**PROGRAM**  
**AGENDA**

PROCESSIONAL	Faculty Members
PRESENTATION OF THE MACE	Regent H. Bryan Neel III
PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS	Tri-Service ROTC Color Guard
NATIONAL ANTHEM	
INVOCATION	
UNIVERSITY SPEAKER	Regent H. Bryan Neel III
GUEST SPEAKER:	Colonel William H. Campbell, Jr.
PRESENTATION OF COMMISSIONS	
Army: Lieutenant Colonel John W. Oravis, USA	
Navy/Marine: Captain John T. Matkin, USMC	
Air Force: Colonel William H. Campbell, USAF	
HAIL MINNESOTA (Sung by entire audience, words on back page)	
RETIREMENT OF COLORS	Tri-Service ROTC Color Guard
RECESSIONAL	(Please remain standing until the newly commissioned officers have left)
RECEPTION	(The audience is invited to the lobby for refreshments)
During the reception, Commissionees and guests are welcome to return to the auditorium for photographs and pinning.	
ON THE STAGE	(Seated from your left to right)
Mace Bearer and Board of Regents Vice Chairman:	The Honorable H. Bryan Neel III
Professor of Military Science:	Lt. Col. John W. Oravis U.S. Army
Professor of Naval Science:	Captain J. Stephen Fitzgerald U.S. Navy
Keynote Speaker:	Col. William H. Campbell, Jr.
Professor of Aerospace Studies	U.S. Air Force

## **COLONEL WILLIAM H. CAMPBELL, JR. USAF**

Colonel William H. Campbell, Jr. is Commander, Air Force ROTC Detachment 415, University of Minnesota, (Twin Cities)

Colonel Campbell was born July 11, 1944, in Galveston, TX, and graduated from high school in Arlington, VA. In 1967 he received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology from Siena College, Loudonville, NY, and completed a Master's Degree in Business Administration at Southern Illinois University in 1974. He is a 1980 graduate of Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL, and a 1987 graduate of National War College, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.

After graduating from Officer Training School in December 1967, Colonel Campbell entered pilot training at Webb Air Base, TX. His first operational assignment was flying C-141 Starlifter aircraft at Charleston Air Force Base, SC. From 1970 to 1971 he was assigned to Phu Cat Air Base, Republic of Vietnam, where he flew the C-7A Caribou aircraft. In 1971, he returned to flying C-141s at Charleston. While there, he served as a C-141 instructor pilot and the chief of the career development branch for the 437<sup>th</sup> Military Airlift Wing.

Following an Air Staff training assignment (ASTRA) at the Pentagon in 1975, Colonel Campbell transitioned to Strategic Air Command's B-52H at Wurtsmith AFB, MI. He served as aircraft commander, instructor pilot, chief of the bomber standardization and evaluation branch, and the squadron operations officer. In 1980, he returned to the Pentagon as action officer for the Deputy Chief of Staff for Programs and Resources (DCS/PR) and later the executive officer to the DCS/PR. In December 1983, the Colonel assumed command of the 340<sup>th</sup> Bomb Squadron at Blytheville Air Force Base, AR (later renamed Eaker Air Force Base) until October 1985, when he became Deputy Commander for the 97<sup>th</sup> Combat Support Group.

Colonel Campbell served on the Joint Staff as the Chief, Strategic Nuclear Policy Branch, J-5, Washington, D.C., from June 1987 to June 1989. In July 1989, he was assigned to the 7<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Wing, Carswell AFB, TX, as Deputy Commander for Operations, becoming the Vice Wing Commander in July 1990. He deployed to Saudi Arabia for Desert Storm in February 1991 and served as Vice Commander of the 1708<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Wing (Provisional) at Jeddah, Saudi Arabia from February 17 to March 25, 1991. He then served as director, combat operations, Tactical Air

Control Center (CENTAF/FWD) at Riyadh, Saudi Arabia until returning to the U.S. June 19, 1991. In July 1991, Col Campbell assumed command of the 379<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Wing, Wurtsmith AFB, MI. On June 1 1992 the Wing was assigned to Air Combat Command and renamed the 379<sup>th</sup> Bomb Wing. He inactivated the Wing and closed Wurtsmith AFB on 30 June 1993. The facility has become a "success" story in the military facilities reutilization arena.

He assumed his current position July 1, 1993.

Colonel Campbell is a command pilot with 5,236 flying hours, almost 1000 of which are combat hours. His military awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, with two oak leaf clusters, Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with "V" device and two oak leaf clusters, Combat Readiness Medal, National Defense Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Southeast Asia Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with seven bronze stars, Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

Colonel Campbell was promoted to colonel June 1, 1988.

He is married to the former Barbara S. Street of Mount Vernon, Ohio. They have two sons, William H. III (Trey) and Todd.

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## *Oath of Office*

*I, (state your full name), having been appointed a second lieutenant/ensign, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter.  
So Help Me God.*

Minnesota, hail to thee!  
Hail to thee, our college dear!  
Thy light shall ever be  
A beacon bright and clear;  
Thy sons and daughters true  
Will proclaim thee near and far;  
They will guard thy fame;  
And adore thy name;  
Thou shalt be their Northern Star.