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Prior to his military retirement in 2006, COL Hagood served as Commander, 353rd Engineer Group, 1st Cavalry Division, forward deployed to Baghdad, Iraq, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom II. Colonel Hagood was responsible for all military engineering planning, design and construction in the 1st Cavalry Division Task Force Baghdad Area of Responsibility. The 353rd Engineer Group, comprised of over 1,500 Army and Air Force men and women, included subordinate units from across the continental US, Hawaii, Guam, Greater Samoa and Puerto Rico.

Commissioned in the United States Army as an Engineer Officer, Colonel Hagood served in a variety of command and staff assignments in the Continental United States, Central America and overseas, throughout his Army officer career. In the fall of 2003, Colonel Hagood deployed the 353rd Engineer Group to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, Kuwait City, Kuwait and then Baghdad, Iraq, where he served as Commander, 353rd Engineer Group, 1st Cavalry Division, until redeploying the Group to the Continental United States in Spring, 2005.

Colonel Hagood's military awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, and the Bronze DeFluery Medal for U.S. Army Engineer Leadership.

Will holds a Master of Strategic Studies degree from the United States Army War College, a Master in Business Administration and Master of Science degrees from Southern Methodist University. and a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering degree from Texas Tech University. He has been recognized as a Distinguished Engineer of the College of Engineering, Texas Tech University and currently serves as President Emeritus of the Texas Tech College of Engineering Dean's Advisory Council. His civilian occupation is Senior Vice President and Managing Principal of HDR Engineering, Inc., a national engineering, architecture, planning and environmental sciences firm, employing 7,500 personnel in 165 offices across the United States.