



US Army Corps  
of Engineers  
Alaska District

# Biography

November 1984  
Date

## COLONEL NEIL E. SALING

Colonel Neil E. Saling became Commander and District Engineer of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Alaska District, in June 1982.

The Alaska District has responsibility for the Civil Works and Military Construction Programs in Alaska. The district is part of the North Pacific Division, based in Portland, Oregon.

Colonel Saling was previously the Deputy Division Engineer for the Corps' South Pacific Division where he managed civil works projects in the states of California, Nevada, Utah, and Arizona.

A registered professional engineer, Colonel Saling has a Civil Engineering Degree from Oregon State College and a Masters Degree in Industrial Engineering from Purdue University. He is also a graduate of the Army Command and General Staff College and the Army War College.

Colonel Saling has held numerous responsible command and staff assignments in the United States and overseas. His major staff assignments include serving as Chief and Assistant Chief of the Installations and Construction Division, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Engineering, U.S. Army Europe, Heidelberg (1976-80); Deputy District Engineer of the Corps' Portland District (1972-75); and as Systems Analyst in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Systems Analysis, Pentagon (1969-72). He has also served as Commander of the 864th Engineer Battalion (Construction) at Fort Lewis, Washington (1975-76). Foreign assignments include Thailand, Germany, and Vietnam.

Among his military awards are the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), and the Army Commendation Medal.

Colonel Saling is a native of Corvallis, Oregon. He and his wife, the former Lucy Lee Sinnard of Corvallis, have three children -- Meghan, in elementary school; and Mark and Mike, engineering students at Oregon State University. The Saling family resides on Fort Richardson.

###