



Major General Richard C. Nash was selected by Governor Tim Pawlenty to serve as Minnesota's 30th Adjutant General on August 26, 2010, with the appointment to begin on November 1, 2010, following the retirement of Major General Larry Shellito.

General Nash's military service began with his enlistment into the Infantry in 1972. He would later earn a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the Infantry following completion of the Officer Candidate School. General Nash has since commanded at all levels, from company to multinational division. He most recently completed a deployed assignment as Commander, United States Division - South supporting Operation Iraq Freedom in 2010. Prior to his current Division Commander assignment, General Nash served as Special Assistant to the Combatant Commander,

North American Aerospace Command, United States Northern Command. He also served as the Commanding General for the Multinational Brigade (North), SFOR-14 in support of Operation Joint Forge, Bosnia Herzegovina, a tour he performed while serving as Assistant Division Commander (Maneuver) for the 34th Infantry "Red Bull" Division.

His education includes a Bachelor of Science from Mankato State University and the U.S. Army War College.

General Nash's awards include Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster), Bronze Star medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (with 1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster and 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster), National Defense Service Medal (with 1 Bronze Service Star), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal (with 1 Bronze Campaign Star), Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Gold Hourglass, M Device and Numeral 2), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon (with Numeral 2), NATO Medal, Minnesota Commendation Ribbon with Pendant, Minnesota State Active Duty Ribbon with 1 Gold Star, Minnesota Distinguished Recruiting Ribbon with 2 Gold Stars, Minnesota Service Ribbon with Roman Numeral XXXV, Expert Infantryman Badge, Air Assault Badge