Roderic C. Jackson has more than 30 years of experience in national security affairs with long-term interest in African security. He has served with the DIA more than 16 years as a military and civilian employee. Among his numerous assignments and deployments, Mr. Jackson has worked as a Defense Attaché and as a policy advisor to leaders at U.S. Africa Command (AFRICOM), U.S. Central Command (CENTCOM), and U.S. European Command (EUCOM).

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FBI mission in KC focus of January brown-bag lecture

The sixth presentation of the InterAgency Brown-Bag Lecture Series for CGSC academic year 2019 was conducted January 30, in the Arnold Conference Room in the Lewis and Clark Center on Fort Leavenworth. Supervisory Intelligence Analyst Robert Carignan of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Kansas City Division led a discussion on the Kansas City Division's 2019 threat priorities and observed insider threat indicators.

Carignan provided an unclassified overview of activities and threats prevalent in the KC metro area to a group of approximately 50 attendees made up of CGSC students, faculty and civilian guests gathered in the conference room. Among some of the topic he discussed were domestic and international terrorism, gangs, human and drug trafficking, cyber security and cyber threats, and a summary of some resolved cases of espionage and other crimes related to the military.

The FBI's presentation during the InterAgency Brown-Bag Lecture Series has always been a popular one, regardless of the level of detail the FBI representative is able to reveal during the briefing.

"I realize that we can't get all the juicy details of ongoing or resolved cases," said one attendee, "But learning general information about the FBI's activities in our area is still very interesting."

Carignan has been with the FBI since March 2005, and has served time with the Bureau in Afghanistan and Iraq. As a supervisor, he oversees the intelligence program in the division's eight resident agencies spread across Kansas and Missouri. For more information about the FBI in Kansas City, visit the KC field office website.

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