
Praise for Chaplain Chris Antal

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COL Pawlikowski,

My name is LTC Paul Grant. I'm a '99 graduate who recently married at the Academy on 24 September. Chris Antal officiated our ceremony, and I wanted to provide the most positive feedback that I can on his services. Chris was a very supportive and resourceful partner in our ceremony from the very first contact, and he truly made our wedding special. He helped to coach us along the way as we designed our ceremony and was very accommodating to some of the unique facets we desired in our ceremony.

I was very disappointed in the unwillingness of any Academy chaplain to assist my wife and I when I first reached out. Starting back in March of this year I had contacted the garrison, Corps, 4th Regimental, and 2nd Regimental chaplains and none were willing to preside over our ceremony due to the fact that Lori is Jewish and I am Catholic. In all of my studies I was not prepared for this and assumed that my being divorced would have been the issue.

Fortunately, Chaplain Odell referred us to Chris and looking back Lori and I are both very glad that he did.

For any future wedding and not only nonstandard situations like mine, I can only hope for the sake of others that the rest of the chaplains are willing to suggest Chris' services. He is a caring and engaging professional and certainly someone whom I'd recommend to a friend.

Vr,
LTC Paul Grant