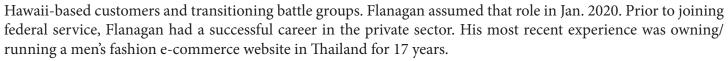# DLA Distribution Europe
Mr. Neil G. Flanagan
Deputy Commander

Neil G. Flanagan was assigned to the position of deputy commander of DLA Distribution Europe Aug. 2021.

Flanagan graduated with an Associate of Arts degree in general studies from the University of New York and continued on to receive a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of New York. He then went on to receive a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Southern California with an emphasis on information and operations management.

Before becoming the deputy commander of DLA Distribution Europe, Flanagan was the operations director of Wholesale for DLA Distribution Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. He was responsible for distribution operations for all 272 Hawaii-based customers and transitioning battle groups. Flanagan assumed that role in Jan. 2020. Prior to joining federal service, Flanagan had a successful career in the private sector. His most recent experience was owning/running a men's fashion e-commerce website in Thailand for 17 years.

Before moving to Thailand, Flanagan was the director of Operations for Emser Tile & Natural Stone, where he managed all distribution operations nationwide. Fanagan's other previous positions include associate director of Inventory Operations at Verizon Wireless, where he managed all inventory forecasting and accuracy in the western United States for the corporation; director of Inventory Control for eToys.com, where he managed all inventory accuracy and controls for six distribution centers worldwide.

Flanagan's military service was in the United States Marine Corps and Marine Corps Reserves, where he served in the Infantry, Reconnaissance and Force Reconnaissance. Flanagan was a distinguished graduate of the Amphibious Reconnaissance Course at Naval Air Base Coronado, California. He is also a graduate of U.S. Army Airborne School; U.S. Navy Dive School; U.S. Marine Corps Combat Diver Transition Course; U.S. Navy SERE School and the Los Angeles Police Department SWAT Operator Course. Flanagan also earned his U.S. Navy and Marine Corps Parachutist Badge. Additionally, Flanagan was selected 1st Marine Division NCO of the Quarter and the Force Reconnaissance Association's 1996 Team Leader of the Year for Detachment 4th Force Reconnaissance Company.