

# **BIOGRAPHICAL DATA BOOK**



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**NDU PRESIDENT**

Vice Admiral Fritz Roegge, USN

## 16th President

Vice Admiral Fritz Roegge is an honors graduate of the University of Minnesota with a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering and was commissioned through the Reserve Officers' Training Corps program. He earned a Master of Science in Engineering Management from the Catholic University of America and a Master of Arts with highest distinction in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College. He was a fellow of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Seminar XXI program.



VADM Fritz Roegge, NDU President (Photo by NDU AV)

His sea tours include USS Whale (SSN 638), USS Florida (SSBN 728) (Blue), USS Key West (SSN 722) and command of USS Connecticut (SSN 22).

His major command tour was as commodore of Submarine Squadron 22 with additional duty as commanding officer, Naval Support Activity La Maddalena, Italy.

Ashore, he has served on the staffs of both the Atlantic and the Pacific Submarine Force commanders, on the staff of the director of Naval Nuclear Propulsion, on the Navy staff in the Assessments Division (N81) and the Military Personnel Plans and Policy Division (N13), in the Secretary of the Navy's Office of Legislative Affairs at the U. S. House of Representatives, as the head of the Submarine and Nuclear Power Distribution Division (PERS 42) at the Navy Personnel Command, and as an assistant deputy director on the Joint Staff in both the Strategy and Policy (J5) and the Regional Operations (J33) Directorates.

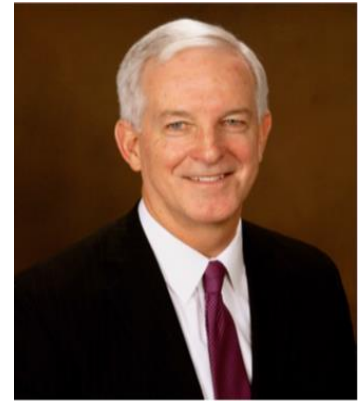
Roegge completed his first flag officer assignment as the deputy commander, Joint Functional Component Command for Global Strike at U.S. Strategic Command. He then served concurrently as commander, Submarine Group 8; commander submarines, Allied Naval Forces South; deputy commander, U.S. 6th Fleet; and director of operations and intelligence (N3), U.S. Naval Forces Europe-Africa. As a Rear Admiral (Upper Half) he served as director, Military Personnel Plans and Policy Division (N13) with a concurrent period as director, Total Force Manpower Division (N12) on the Navy Staff and then as Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet.

VADM Roegge assumed duties as the 16th President of the National Defense University on 25 Sep 2017.

# **SENIOR FELLOWS**

## **Week 3 Senior Fellow**

### **DOUGLAS FRASER GENERAL UNITED STATES AIR FORCE (RETIRED)**



### **Former Commander U.S. Southern Command**



General Douglas Fraser retired from the U.S. Air Force in January 2013 after a 37 year career.

Since retiring, General Fraser works as Senior Fellow for the National Defense University in support of the Pinnacle, Capstone, and Keystone programs. He also works as a global security consultant with several U.S. defense companies. In addition, he participates in security policy discussions with retired Chinese defense officials through a Yale University sponsored U.S.-China Track II Dialogue forum. His last assignment in the U.S. armed forces was as the Commander, U.S. Southern Command, responsible for U.S. military operations in Central and South America and the Caribbean. In this capacity, General Fraser was responsible for leading Department of Defense relief efforts following the 2010 Haiti earthquake.

Prior to commanding U.S. Southern Command, he served as the Deputy Commander, U.S. Pacific Command from 2008-2009. General Fraser commanded operational flying units across the U.S. Air Force at the squadron, group, and wing levels. As a general officer, in addition to US Southern Command, he commanded the US Air Force Space Warfare Center and four different organizations in Alaska -- Alaskan Command, the Alaskan North American Defense Region, Joint Task Force Alaska, and Eleventh Air Force. General Fraser's staff assignments include two tours in the Pentagon, first in the Headquarters US Air Force and then for the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy, Resources and Requirements and for the Air Force Chief of Staff. He also served as the Executive Assistant to the Commander, U.S. Pacific Command in Hawaii. He holds a bachelors degree in Political Science from the US Air Force Academy and a masters degree in Political Science from Auburn University. Prior to joining the Air Force, he lived in Bogota, Colombia, graduating from high school at Colegio Nueva Granada in 1971. He is also a graduate of the USAF Weapons School, Squadron Officer School, Air Command and Staff College, and the National War College. He is a command pilot with more than 3,300 flying hours, primarily in all variants of the F-15 and the F-16.

#### **Business Affiliations:**

Consultant -- The Boeing Company's Phantom Works

#### **Advisory Board Member:**

SAAB Defense and Security; Iridium Communications; Northrup Grumman Electronic Systems; Beechcraft Defense Company; and Baptist Health of South Florida

#### **Other Affiliations:**

Trustee, USAF Academy Falcon Foundation  
National Association of Corporate Directors  
Orange Bowl Committee, Honorary Member  
Air Force Association, Life Member  
National War College Alumni Association, Life Member

## Weeks 1-2 Senior Fellow

### Robert B. Neller

General Robert B. Neller served as the 37th Commandant of the United States Marine Corps from September 2015 to July 2019. He retired from active duty 1 September 2019.



A native of East Lansing, Michigan, Neller graduated from the University of Virginia in 1975 with a degree in history and speech communication. He later earned a master's degree from Pepperdine University in human resources management. After graduating from Virginia, Neller went directly into the Marine Corps via the Platoon Leader Class.

A career Infantry Officer, Neller has commanded from Platoon through Service Component HQs. He has been assigned as a General Officer in each of the 3 USMC active infantry Divisions and commanded the 3<sup>rd</sup> Marine Division. He is a joint qualified Officer having served in Europe at SHAPE as a NATO staff officer and as the J3 of the Joint Staff.

Operationally, he participated in Operation Just Cause in Panama, Operation Restore Hope in Somalia and Operation Iraqi Freedom. In OIF 05-07 during 2006, he served as the Deputy Commanding General for Multi-National Force West in Iraq's Anbar Province.

He has attended the USMC's Basic School, the Army's Armor Officer Advanced Course, USMC Command and Staff, the NATO Defense College and the Armed Forces Staff College and various other courses and training.

Upon retirement he moved to the Austin, TX area where he is affiliated with the University of Texas as adjunct faculty and continues to transition and adjust to playing the "second half of the game."

## **Weeks 1-3 Senior Fellow**

# **PATRICK Z. ALSTON COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR UNITED STATES ARMY (RETIRED)**



## **Former Command Senior Enlisted Leader United States Strategic Command**

Command Sergeant Major Patrick Z. Alston is employed as a Senior Fellow for the National Defense University's Capstone and Keystone programs. He is also a Senior Consultant with Burlington Capital Corporation, a diverse investment management firm located in Omaha, Nebraska.

CSM Pat Alston is a native of Columbus, Georgia. He is a graduate of Columbus High School. After graduation, he subsequently enlisted into the United States Army where he completed Basic Training at Fort Dix, New Jersey.

His initial assignment was at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, as a Medical Specialist. Subsequent assignments include Medical Specialist with 3rd Battalion, 325th Infantry Regiment, and 82nd Airborne Division. In 1984 he reclassified to the Chemical Corps and was assigned as a squad leader with 4th Chemical Company, 2nd Infantry Division; NBC NCO and Squad Leader with Alpha Company, 3rd Battalion, 73rd Armor, 82nd Airborne Division; Battalion NBC NCO with 3rd Battalion, 73rd Armor, 82nd Airborne Division; Senior NBC Operations and Staff NCO with Division Chemical, 82nd Airborne Division; NBC Operations, Staff NCO and Platoon Sergeant with 34th Support Group, Korea; Senior Drill Sergeant with Alpha Company, 82nd Chemical Battalion; Detachment Sergeant for the Contingency Support Detachment (WHITE HOUSE TEAM), 84th Chemical Battalion, U.S. Army Chemical School; Career Advisor/Branch Manager Career Management Field 74D, Total Army Personnel Command (PERSCOM); First Sergeant for Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Soldier Biological Chemical Command and Technical Escort Unit; Battalion CSM of the U.S. Army Technical Escort Battalion in Edgewood, Maryland; Division Chemical Sergeant Major for the 2nd Infantry Division, Korea; Battalion CSM of the 23rd Chemical Battalion, 19th TSC, Korea; CSM of the 23rd Area Support Group, 19th TSC, Korea; 10th Regimental CSM of the Chemical Corps, Command Senior Enlisted Leader, Defense Threat Reduction Agency/STRATCOM Center for Combating WMD and finished his Army career as the Command Senior Enlisted Leader of United States Strategic Command.

His military schools include Command Sergeant Major Course; Sergeant Major Academy (class # 51); First Sergeant Course (CDMT List); Advanced Noncommissioned Officers Course (Honor Grad); Basic Noncommissioned Officers Course (CDMT List); Primary Leadership development Course (CMDT List); Drill Sergeant School (Honor Grad); Airborne School; Air Assault School (Honor Grad); Technical Escort Course (J5) (Honor Grad); Drill Corporal Course; Customs Course; White House Executive Support Course; Executive Operations Course; Hazardous Material Course (Level 1-5); Chemical Weapons Orientation Course Joint Military Intelligence Course on Chemical Affairs; Assignment Manager/PDNCO Course; Administrative Procedures Course (DA Level), Joint Forces Staff College, United States Army Force Management Course and Keystone Course. He is currently a few classes away from receiving his Bachelors of Science Degree in Leadership with a concentration in Management from Trident University.

His awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal; Legion of Merit (second oak leaf cluster); Defense Meritorious Service Medal; Meritorious Service Medal (first oak leaf cluster); Army Commendation Medal (third oak leaf cluster); the Army Achievement Medal (silver oak leaf cluster); Army Service Ribbons; the National Defense Medal; Combat Medical Badge; Space Badge; Airborne Badge; Air Assault Badge; Drivers Badge; Drill Sergeant Badge; Good Conduct Medal (Silver Clasp, third loop); Overseas Ribbon (Third Oak Leaf Cluster); Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; and the noncommissioned Officers Professional Development Ribbon (fourth award). CSM Alston is also awarded the CHEMICAL CORPS HIGHEST AWARD "THE ORDER OF THE DRAGON" as well the TRANSPORTATION CORPS "HONORABLE ORDER OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER."



# **CAPSTONE Staff**

**Gerard “Gerry” M. Mauer, Jr.**  
**Director**  
**Capstone, Keystone, Pinnacle**

Rear Admiral Mauer retired from the Navy in March 2008 after over 31 years of service, which included extensive experience in fleet operations, resource management, technical innovation, Joint Professional Military Education (JPME), interagency coordination, and leading organizational change in NATO and joint commands.



From 2008 to 2011, RADM Mauer was a Group Vice President for Sabre Systems Inc. He was responsible for developing then implementing the corporate strategic plan and managing the Southeast Region’s profit and loss operations, its contracts, corporate business development, human resources programs, and Capability Maturity Model Integration (CMMI) level III attainment. After leaving Sabre Systems, RADM Mauer had positions as an Associate with Burdeshaw Associates, as a Senior Analyst for Wikistrat, as a Board member and Board Treasurer for the Navy Safe Harbor Foundation, and as a representative and the national Co-Chair for the US Global Leadership Coalition’s Veterans for Smart Power.

Admiral Mauer’s last position in the Navy was from 2006 to 2008, when he served as the Commandant, Industrial College of the Armed Forces (ICAF). He was responsible for executing the congressionally mandated and accredited master’s degree senior Professional Military Education curriculum. As a university leader, he directly supported the direction of the National Defense University and was a key member in the development of the University’s strategic plan.

From 2003 to 2006, he served as the NATO Allied Command Transformation’s Director, Joint Experimentation, Exercises, and Assessment, where he developed and implemented NATO’s largest Concept Development and Experimentation program. The scope included creating NATO’s transformation strategic vision and aligning the vision with its concepts and requirements. As a result of his initiatives, NATO rapidly implemented new processes, policies, and systems in support of its forces in Afghanistan and Iraq as well new capabilities to support its political and military infrastructure in NATO headquarters.

From 2001 to 2003, he was the Deputy, Directorate for Information Operations (J39/DDIO), Joint Staff Director of Operations (J-3) where he was responsible for direct coordination with the Office of the Secretary of Defense staff, Combatant Commands, and interagency organizations in their global information operations. In this capacity, his responsibilities also included supervision and operational coordination of the Joint Staff’s Special Technical Operations information system and its programs.

Admiral Mauer graduated from Villanova University and the Naval Postgraduate School. He was a Naval Aviator who commanded Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadrons SEVEN (HS-7) and TEN (HS-10) in addition to assignment as the Commanding Officer of USS NASSAU (LHA 4). He has vast experience at sea with deployments to the Atlantic Ocean, Mediterranean Sea, and Arabian Gulf. Ashore assignments included: Naval Postgraduate School student, Assistant Program Manager for the Naval Air Systems Command SH-60F/H helicopter program (PMA 266), and Training Officer and Instructor Pilot in Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron ONE (HS-1). He started with Capstone in August of 2016.

Bonnie Swanson  
Deputy Director  
Capstone / Keystone / Pinnacle



Bonnie Swanson is a native of Ellington, CT and a graduate of Ellington High School. After her freshman year at the University of Connecticut, she enlisted in the USMCR. Upon completing recruit training at Parris Island, SC, Bonnie returned to UCONN to continue her studies and reserve service with 6<sup>th</sup> Motor Transport Battalion, Providence, RI. In 1988 she graduated from UCONN with a Liberal Arts degree (Sociological and Educational Behavior Development) and accepted her commission in the USMC. After completion of The Basic School in 1989 and her assignment as a Military Police Officer, Bonnie reported to MCAS Cherry Point, NC for duty as a Platoon Commander and Services Officer.

In 1992, Bonnie was assigned as the Operations Officer for Recruiting Station, Baltimore, MD. Serving as an OpsO for 3 years, Bonnie was selected as the 4<sup>th</sup> Marine Corps District Contact Team Officer, Harrisburg, PA. Leading a team of three Master Gunnery Sergeants, the Contact Team trained over 350 recruiters and command group members within a 7 state area.

In 1997 Bonnie received orders to MCB, Camp Lejeune, NC as the Operations Officer, Provost Marshal's Office. She simultaneously served as the Commanding Officer, Military Police Company (330+ Marines) during this tour.

In January of 2001, Bonnie was hired by the National Defense University as the Executive Officer of Capstone. Over the years her position has evolved into a Deputy Director position overseeing three courses, Pinnacle (3 star course), Capstone, and Keystone (Command Senior Enlisted course).

Bonnie has numerous military decorations and has attended many military schools, including the Basic Law Enforcement Academy at Lackland AFB, TX and the Advanced Military Police Academy at Fort McClellan, AL. She is still a record holder at UCONN for many soccer goalkeeping statistics, including the most shutouts in a career (41.5).

In 2005 Bonnie completed a Masters Degree in Organizational Management from the University of Phoenix.



## **COLONEL J. Bryan Mullins** **Overseas Trip Planner / OCONUS Escort**

Colonel J. Bryan Mullins was born and raised primarily in Bristol, Virginia, with short stays in Fort Knox, Kentucky, Enterprise, Alabama, and Fulda, Germany.

COL Mullins was commissioned as an Armor officer and served in armored and cavalry units for the first 22 years of his career, including the 3<sup>rd</sup> Armored Cavalry Regiment, 1-77 AR Battalion in the 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division, 7-10 Cavalry Squadron and 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade of 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, before wrapping up with a return to the 3<sup>rd</sup> ACR. Assignments included scout platoon leader, troop executive officer, squadron planner, battalion S-4 and assistant S-3, division maneuver planner, squadron and brigade S-3, squadron executive officer, and squadron commander. COL Mullins deployed to the Balkans twice, to Camp McGovern Bosnia and Camp Bondsteel Kosovo, and to Iraq three times, to Taji, southern Baghdad, and Al Kut in Wasit Province.

COL Mullins has more recently served as the executive officer for the Commander of the Combined Arms Center, returned to Kansas State University as a full time student, and acted as the J37 at USPACOM, where he supervised the exercise program for the command. COL Mullins joined the Capstone team in September 2019.



COL Mullins is a 1991 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy with a degree in History and Civil Engineering. He has an MMAS from the School of Advanced Military Studies at Fort Leavenworth and a Masters in International Land Warfare from the American Military University. COL Mullins is associated with the Army Strategic Planning and Policy Program and is ABD at Kansas State University with a defense of his PhD in Security Studies scheduled for late January 2020. His dissertation examines the evolution of Allied joint command and control at the theater level, with a special focus on the interaction between maneuver and logistics, from Operation Torch to Market Garden.

Colonel Mullins will be financially supported after retirement by his wife, Tracey, who is a veterinarian currently working in a clinic in Merrifield, Virginia. They have one daughter, Lindsey, who is rapidly approaching the day when she has to pick a college and profession.

## Lieutenant Colonel Colin Smith

Lieutenant Colonel Smith is currently a Deputy Director, CAPSTONE, National Defense University. Prior to joining CAPSTONE he served as the Commandant of the Marine Corps Senior Fellow to the Center for a New American Security (CNAS).



LtCol Smith has over 26 years' experience as a Marine Officer holding the military specialties of Combat Engineer Officer and Foreign Area Officer (FAO). He has commanded combat engineers at the platoon, company and battalion level, most recently as the Battalion Commander of 1<sup>st</sup> Combat Engineer Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division, Camp Pendleton California from 2014-2016. LtCol Smith's staff assignments include serving as the Senior Engineer Officer of a Division, an Air Wing, a MEF (Marine Expeditionary Force) and as the Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff (AC/S) G-4 for a MEF. LtCol Smith also has extensive overseas experience: first serving in Bangkok Thailand on the Marine Security Guard program as the Operations Officer (OPSO) and Executive Officer, living and studying aboard in Russia; and as a FAO where he has served as a UN Military Observer in Georgia (2008), as the Senior Defense Official/ Defense Attaché (SDO/DATT) to Latvia (2009-2011) and as the U.S. Marine Attaché (MARA) to Russia until his diplomatic expulsion from Moscow in April of 2018. He was the first Marine SDO/DATT worldwide. LtCol Smith's Combat tours include a year as the 3<sup>rd</sup> MAW (FWD) Engineer and Base engineer at Al Asad airbase, Al Anbar Province, Iraq, and as the Deputy AC/S C-7 and C-7 OPSO, RC(SW), Helmand Province, Afghanistan.

LtCol Smith has a BS in Engineering from the U.S. Naval Academy, a MA in National Security Affairs (Russia and Former Soviet Union) from the Naval Post Graduate School, and he has graduated from Amphibious Warfare School, Marine Corps Command and Staff College (Non-Resident), the Defense Language Institute, and Top Level School as a Fellow. He holds numerous personal, unit, service and international military decorations.



## Lieutenant Colonel Ross Davis Budget / OCONUS Escort



Lieutenant Colonel Davis is currently Deputy Director, CAPSTONE, National Defense University. Prior to joining CAPSTONE he served as the Commander, 87<sup>th</sup> Comptroller Squadron, 87<sup>th</sup> Air Base Wing, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey.

Throughout his career, he has served in a variety of Financial Management positions to include Flight Commander for both Financial Services and Financial Analysis, Combined Joint Staff Budget Analyst, and Major Command Budget Analyst. He recently completed two successful tours as a Squadron Commander and Comptroller. In addition to Financial Management, Lt Col Davis also has experience as an Aircraft Maintenance Officer. During this career broadening tour he served in key positions to include Aircraft Maintenance Unit (AMU) Officer in Charge (OIC) and Maintenance Squadron Operations Officer.



A native of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Lt Col Davis was commissioned through the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) program at Virginia Military Institute (VMI). In addition, he has a Master's of Science in Management from Liberty University, graduated from Air Command and Staff College (Resident), is a Certified Defense Financial Manager, has a level 3 DoD Financial Management Certification, and holds numerous personal, unit, and service military decorations. He and his wife, Rebecca, have four children and enjoy sports, outdoor activities, and family vacations.



**Kandace L. Moore**  
**Deputy Director of Operations**  
**CAPSTONE/KEYSTONE/PINNACLE**  
**National Defense University**

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Kandace Moore joined National Defense University (NDU), as Office Manager, for the CAPSTONE, KEYSTONE, PINNACLE programs at National Defense University, in Washington, DC, in 2008. As Office Manager, she excelled at providing exceptional administrative and logistical support in a fast-paced environment.

In January 2013, Kandace was reassigned to Joint Forces Staff College (JFSC), National Defense University, Norfolk, VA., where she served as Executive Assistant to the Commandant. There, she provided world class executive support to the Commandant, Dean of Administration, School Directors, faculty and staff. She managed day-to-day operations, scheduled meetings and appointments, and performed a number of administrative duties while providing superlative customer service. As the Senior Executive Assistant, Kandace provided administrative support, guidance, mentorship, and training to all members of the JFSC faculty and staff with enthusiasm and a customer service oriented attitude.

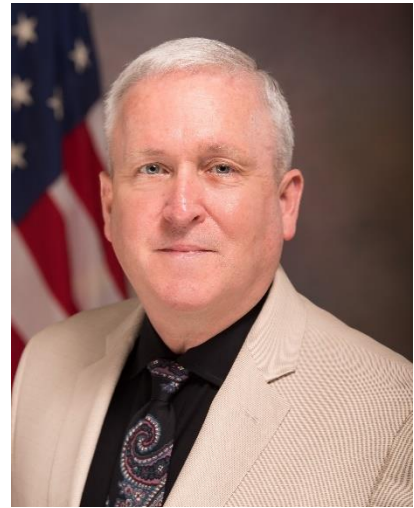
In July 2019, Kandace returned to NDU, Washington, DC, where she currently serves as Deputy Director of Operations, providing support to CAPSTONE, KEYSTONE, and PINNACLE.

Kandace's initiative and unyielding passion for accomplishing the mission are demonstrated in the high levels of camaraderie and esprit de corps she inspires on every team on which she has been a part. She is the consummate team player and her infectious "can do" attitude makes her an integral part of the unit. These unselfish attributes have earned her numerous Time-Off Awards, Quality Step Increases, Certificates of Commendation, and two Joint Civilian Service Commendation Awards.

**Wheeler, Jr. Clifford E. (Cliff)**  
**Program Manager, Keystone & Pinnacle,**  
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Clifford E. Wheeler, Jr. (Cliff) is the Program Manager for the Keystone and Pinnacle programs at CAPSTONE. He is responsible for curriculum development and execution of both courses, to include; planning, administration, assessment of educational objectives and student learning, and review and revision of course curricula as needed.

Cliff is a native of Woodville, MS. He retired from the Army in November 2014 after 28 years in active and reserve service. He began his military service in November 1986 as a 19D Cavalry Scout in the Mississippi Army National Guard. Commissioned as an Armor officer and Distinguished Military Graduate from the Ole Miss Army ROTC program, he entered active duty at Ft. Knox, KY in September 1988.



Cliff served in both staff and leadership positions in Armor and Cavalry units in Germany, Fort Hood, Texas, and Fort Stewart, Georgia. He commanded at the platoon, company, and battalion levels, culminating with command of the 5<sup>th</sup> Squadron, 7<sup>th</sup> Cavalry, 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division from 2006-2008. He served two tours in Iraq, as Brigade Executive Officer for 1st Brigade, 1st Armored Division (2003-2004) and as Squadron Commander of 5-7 Cavalry in Ramadi, Fallujah, and Arab Jabour.

Key staff assignments include the Lieutenants' and Captains' Career Manager at Armor Branch, Army Personnel Command; Exercise Planner at V Corps G3 in Heidelberg, Germany; analyst for the 2006 Quadrennial Defense Review at Department of the Army, G8; and Chief of Officer Distribution at Army Human Resources Command. His final assignment was Deputy Director for Overseas Planning at CAPSTONE, National Defense University.

From 2015 to 2018, Cliff was an organizational and leadership consultant and later an Assistant Vice President and Program Manager at Command Security Corporation in Herndon, Virginia.

Among Cliff's military awards and decorations are the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, the Presidential Unit Citation, and the Navy Unit Commendation. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in History from the University of Mississippi, and Masters of Science degrees in Adult and Continuing Education from Kansas State University, and in National Resource Strategy from the National Defense University.

Cliff is a passionate volunteer for the Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park, the Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park, the National Museum of the United States Army, and the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (T.A.P.S.). He is proud father of three sons; Clifford III, Stuart Ashby, and Morgan.



**Fellows**



## **Brigadier General Peter N. Benchoff**

Director, Force Management  
Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7

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Brigadier General Peter N. Benchoff serves as the HQDA, G-37 Director of Force Management where he leads the Army's capstone process to field mission ready organizations. He advises the Secretary of the Army and the Chief of Staff of the Army on Army organizational structure and materiel development integration for the current and future force. Prior to this position, BG Benchoff served as the Deputy Commanding General (Operations) for the 82d Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, NC.

BG Benchoff served in key operational command and staff positions from platoon leader to brigade commander in light infantry, airborne, and ranger units. BG Benchoff also served as the director of the Chief of Staff of the Army's coordination group and as the executive officer for the Vice Chief of Staff of the Army. His operational experience includes seven deployments to Afghanistan.

BG Benchoff's education includes a Bachelor of Science degree from the United States Military Academy, a MBA from Touro College, a Masters of Military Science from the Marine Corps University, and a Masters of Strategy from the US Army War College. He holds numerous awards and decorations and is proudest of the Valorous Unit Award and Presidential Unit Citation he was awarded as a member of the "Strike Force" - 2d Battalion, 502d Infantry (Air Assault).

BG Benchoff is married to Dr. Theresa Benchoff, MD and they have three sons: Jonathan, Philip, and Alexander. His hobbies and interests are focused on his family and sports.



# Rear Admiral Scott W. Clendenin

## Assistant Commandant for Response Policy

### U.S. Coast Guard



Rear Admiral Scott Clendenin serves as the U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Response Policy. He is responsible for U.S. Coast Guard policy in seven operational mission areas, including emergency management and disaster response, defense operations, law enforcement, search and rescue, maritime security, counterterrorism, and marine environmental response.

Previously in his career, he served afloat for fourteen years at sea on Coast Guard cutters conducting multi-mission patrols from Canada to South America in the Atlantic and Pacific, and throughout the Caribbean. In his first two tours at sea on cutters, he served as a Deck Watch Officer on board USCGC HARRIET LANE based in Portsmouth, VA, and as the Operations Officer on board USCGC SENECA based in Boston, MA. He then served as the Commanding Officer of four Coast Guard cutters, including USCGC NUNIVAK based in San Juan, PR, USCGC MONSOON based in San Diego, CA, USCGC CAMPBELL based in Portsmouth, NH, and USCGC HAMILTON based in Charleston, SC. His sea service included multi-ton narcotics seizures, illegal migrant smuggling interdictions, search and rescue, homeland security operations, defense operations, maritime mass migration response, and disaster response. He has also worked extensively with international partner nations in international maritime operations and engagement exercises.

In his staff assignments ashore, he served as the Maritime Watch Coordinator at the Drug Enforcement Agency's El Paso Intelligence Center, the Coast Guard Attaché assigned to the U.S. Defense Attaché Office in the Dominican Republic, Fellow to the Director of the National Security Agency, the first Deputy Commander of the Coast Guard Cryptologic Group, and the Executive Assistant to the Director of Coast Guard Intelligence and Criminal Investigations. In addition, he served as the National Security Council Director for Central America and Caribbean Affairs and as the Executive Assistant to the Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Operations. In his most recent assignment, he served as the Coast Guard Liaison Officer to the newly established interagency Transnational Organized Crime Strategic Division.

His personal awards include two Legion of Merits, two Defense Meritorious Service Medals, seven Coast Guard Meritorious Service Medals, the Distinguished Service Medal of the Dominican Armed Forces, and other personal and unit awards.

He holds a Certificate in Public Leadership from the Brookings Institution, a M.A. in National Security and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College, Newport, RI, a M.S. in Strategic Intelligence from the Joint Military Intelligence College (now the National Intelligence University), and a M.A. in Human Resource Development and Management from Webster University, St. Louis, MO. He is a 1990 graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy.



## **ROBERT M. COLLINS, Brigadier General, U.S. ARMY**

*Program Executive Officer for Command, Control, Communications-Tactical*

As Program Executive Officer for Command, Control, Communications-Tactical (PEO C3T), Brigadier General Robert M. Collins guides a workforce of more than 1,600 personnel who acquire, field and support the communications networks, radios, satellite systems and other hardware and software Soldiers require for information dominance on the battlefield. BG Collins took command of PEO C3T on June 1, 2020.



BG Collins comes to PEO C3T after serving as the PEO for Intelligence, Electronic Warfare and Sensors (IEW&S) since May 2019. As the PEO IEW&S, he provided technical and managerial oversight of the development, acquisition, fielding, and life cycle support of the Army's portfolio of intelligence; electronic warfare; cyber; integrated base defense; force protection; position, navigation, and timing; biometrics; and target acquisition programs.

BG Collins was commissioned through ROTC in 1992 into Armor with a Bachelor of Science from Shippensburg University. As a junior officer, he served at Fort Carson as a Tank Platoon Leader in 2-77th Armor Battalion, 4th Infantry Division. Following his branch detail to the Signal Corps, he served in Fort Gordon as a Communications Platoon Leader in the 124rd Signal Battalion, and in Germany as a Battalion Signal Officer and Company Commander with the 1st Infantry Division.

He was then selected into the Acquisition Corps in 2000 and was assigned to U.S. Army Signal Center in Fort Gordon as a Training and Doctrine Command Systems Manager and Combat Developer. BG Collins went on to serve at Fort Monmouth as an Assistant Product Manager (APM) for Warfighter Information Network-Tactical (WIN-T), and an APM of Software Integration with Future Combat Systems. BG Collins then served in the Pentagon as a Department of the Army Systems Coordinator for Tactical Army Communications systems, and later selected as the Executive Officer for the Army Acquisition Executive and Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology).

From April 2010 to July 2013, BG Collins served as the Product Manager for the WIN-T Increments 2 and 3 ACAT 1D programs within PEO C3T. Following War College, he was selected to serve as the Army's Project Manager for Distributed Common Ground System-Army, PEO IEW&S, from June 2014 to July 2018. Prior to becoming the PEO IEW&S, BG Collins served as the Assistant PEO IEW&S from August 2018 to April 2019.

BG Collins holds Masters Degrees from Webster University, Oklahoma University, and the National Defense University. He completed the Combined Arms Services Staff School and Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, as well as the Armor Officer Basic Course, Signal Branch Qualification, Signal Advanced Course, and Systems Automation Course. He is a graduate of Eisenhower School of Strategic Studies at Fort McNair, where he received a Master's Degree in National Resource Strategy. BG Collins is a member of the Acquisition Corps and is Level III certified in Program Management.



# BIOGRAPHY

*UNITED STATES AIR FORCE*

## **BRIGADIER GENERAL ROY W. COLLINS**

Brig. Gen. Roy W. Collins is Director of Security Forces, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, District of Columbia. He is the focal point for ensuring the physical security of Air Force nuclear assets, and planning and programming for more than 38,000 Active-Duty and Reserve component Security Forces at locations worldwide. He provides policy and oversight for protecting Air Force resources from terrorism, criminal acts, sabotage and acts of war, and ensures Security Forces are trained, equipped and ready to support contingency and exercise plans.

Brig. Gen. Collins joined the Air Force in May 1995 as a graduate from the United States Air Force Academy. He served on the Air Mobility Command staff as Chief, Antiterrorism/Force Protection Branch, and as the Air Combat Command's Director, Commander's Action Group. He has commanded the 95th Security Force Squadron at Edwards Air Force Base, California and the 341st Missile Security Forces Squadron, Malmstrom Air Force Base, Montana and then the Deputy Commander for the 341st Security Forces Group, Malmstrom Air Force Base, Montana. Brig. Gen. Collins also commanded the 5th Mission Support Group, Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota and the 37th Training Wing, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas. Additionally, he was the Deputy Director, United States Air Forces Central Command, Air Force Force Protection, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar. Prior to his current assignment, Brig. Gen. Collins was the Chief, Strategic Planning Integration Division, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.



## **EDUCATION**

- 1995 Bachelor of Science in Political Science, United States Air Force Academy, Colo.
- 2000 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2002 Master of Science in Space Studies, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, N.D.
- 2005 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2006 Air Command and Staff College IDE Credit for In-Residence (AF Intern Program), Washington, D.C.
- 2011 Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2014 Hoover Institution on War, Revolution, Peace, Stanford University, Stanford Calif.
- 2014 Level IV Antiterrorism Executive Training, Tysons Corner, Va.
- 2015 Joint Forces Staff College, National Defense University, Norfolk, Va.
- 2018 Leadership Executive Development, Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina, N.C.
- 2019 AFOSI Senior Leader Security Seminar, Montross, Va.
- 2020 Cybersecurity: Intersection of Policy & Technology, Harvard's Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge Mass.

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. May 1995 – May 1997, Security Police Flight Commander, 446th Missile Squadron, Grand Forks AFB, N.D.
2. May 1997 – May 1998, Officer in Charge, Mobile Fire Teams, Security Escort teams and Convoy Commander, 321st Security Forces Squadron, Grand Forks AFB, N.D.
3. May 1998 – May 1999, Officer in Charge, Training and Resources Branch, 92d Security Forces Squadron, Fairchild AFB, Wash.
4. May 1999 – February 2001, Operations Officer, 92d Security Forces Squadron, Fairchild AFB, Wash.
5. February 2001 – October 2001, Chief, Antiterrorism/Force Protection Branch, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, Ill.
6. October 2001 – April 2002, Executive Officer, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, Ill.
7. April 2002 – June 2003, Air Force Intern Program: Joint Staff United Nations Multilateral Affairs Division and Secretary of the Air Force Office of the Inspector General rotations, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

8. June 2003 – June 2005, Deputy Chief, Nuclear Security Branch, Headquarters Air Force Security Force Center, Lackland AFB, Texas
9. June 2005 – July 2007, Commander, 95th Security Forces Squadron, Edwards Air Force Base, Calif.
10. February 2006 – September 2006, Combined Security Transition Command- Afghanistan, Police Reform Directorate, Kabul, Afghanistan
11. July 2007 – July 2009, Commander, 341st Missile Security Forces Squadron, Malmstrom AFB, Mont.
12. July 2009 – January 2010, Deputy Commander, 341st Security Forces Group, Malmstrom AFB, Mont.
13. January 2010 – January 2011, Deputy Director, USAFCENT AFFOR Force Protection, Al Udeid AB, Qatar
14. January 2011 – May 2012, Chief, Security Forces Operations Branch, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
15. May 2012 – June 2013, Director, Commander's Action Group, Air Combat Command, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
16. June 2013 – July 2014, National Security Affairs Fellow, Stanford University, Stanford, Calif.
17. July 2014 – May 2016, Commander, 5th Mission Support Group, Minot AFB, N.D.
18. May 2016 – July 2018, Commander, 37th Training Wing, JBSA-Lackland, Texas
19. July 2018 – August 2019, Chief, Strategic Planning Integration Division, Headquarters United States Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
20. August 2019 – Present, Director of Security Forces, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection, Headquarters United States Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Commendation medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Achievement Medal with three oak leaf cluster

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant May 1, 1995

First Lieutenant May 1, 1997

Captain May 1, 1999

Major Aug. 1, 2005

Lieutenant Colonel Mar. 1, 2009

Colonel Oct. 1, 2014

Brigadier General Nov. 2, 2019

The logo features the United States Navy seal on the left, which includes an eagle with wings spread, holding an anchor, surrounded by the words "DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY" and "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA". To the right of the seal, the words "United States Navy" are written in a blue serif font, and "Biography" is written in a larger, bold blue serif font. A blue horizontal line with an arrowhead pointing to the right is positioned below the word "Biography".

# United States Navy Biography

## Rear Admiral Jeffrey J. Czerewko Deputy Director, Global Operations, J39, J3, Joint Staff

Rear Adm. Jeffrey Czerewko is a native of Saginaw, Michigan and a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and holds a master's degree from the National War College.

At sea, he deployed aboard USS Enterprise (CVN 65) with Attack Squadron 75 (VA-75) flying A-6E Intruders. He flew F/A-18C Hornets on USS Eisenhower (CVN 69) with VFA-81, USS Kennedy (CV 67) and USS Washington (CVN 73) with Strike Fighter Squadron -136 (VFA-136). He deployed twice with USS Stennis (CVN 74) as the commanding officer of VFA-146. He flew F/A-18Cs, F/A-18E/Fs and EA-18Gs while serving as the commander of Carrier Air Wing 2 (CVW 2) while assigned on USS Reagan (CVN 76) as the strike warfare commander for Carrier Strike Group 9.

Ashore, Czerewko's tours include VFA-106 as a Fleet Replacement Squadron instructor pilot and assistant safety and assistant training officer; service as the electronic warfare branch chief with the Joint Staff, J 39 deputy director for Global Operations; assignment as the resource sponsor for Naval Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Capabilities as the director of Battlespace Awareness (N2N6 F2), service as the acting director of the Digital Warfare Office on the Navy Staff and most recently the chief of staff for Commander, Naval Air Forces.

Additional tours of duty include a tour with the Naval Special Warfare Development Group and an assignment as the battle director for the Combined Air and Space Operations Center, Al Udeid, Qatar.

He is the recipient of the various personal awards and unit decorations and received the Navy and Marine Corps Leadership award in 2002 and 2004.



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## Colonel Glenn A. Dean

Colonel Glenn A. Dean was commissioned as a US Army Armor officer in 1993 as a Distinguished Military Graduate of the ROTC program at the Florida Institute of Technology. His first assignment was to the 2d Battalion, 69<sup>th</sup> Armor at Fort Benning, Georgia where he served as a Tank Platoon Leader, Scout Platoon Leader, and company Executive Officer.

His subsequent operational assignments include: Commander, US Army Recruiting Company, Frederick Maryland; Assistant Operations Officer, 1st Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division; Commander, Company B, 1st Battalion 8th Cavalry; and Commander, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion 8th Cavalry.

In 2002, he transitioned to the Army Acquisition Corps, serving as Chief, Small Arms Division, US Army Infantry Center; Assistant Product Manager, Medium Cannon Caliber Ammunition, Picatinny Arsenal; Science & Technology Advisor, Combined/Joint Task Force-82, Afghanistan; and Armament Systems Technology Manager, Armaments Research, Development, and Engineering Center, Picatinny Arsenal; and Product Manager, Bradley Fighting Vehicle & Armored Knight, Detroit Arsenal, Michigan. Following completion of the Army War College, he subsequently served as the Military Deputy for the Tank-Automotive Research, Development, and Engineering Center and as Project Manager, Stryker Brigade Combat Team, both at Detroit Arsenal. COL Dean assumed the role as the Deputy for Acquisition and Systems Management (DASM) in July 2019.

COL Dean's military and civilian education includes: BS, Aerospace Engineering, Florida Institute of Technology; MS, Industrial Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology; MA, Strategic Studies, US Army War College; the Armor Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, the Scout Platoon Leader's Course, the Combined Arms & Services Staff School, the Acquisition Officer Basic Course, the Command and General Staff Officer's Intermediate Level Education Course, the Program Manager's Course, the US Army War College, and Airborne School.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the Southwest Asia Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Parachutist's Badge, and the Recruiter Badge.

COL Dean is married to Kirstie Dean. They have 3 Shetland Sheepdogs.





## **MARK J. FEDOR**

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard

Captain Fedor is currently serving as the Executive Assistant to Admiral Karl L. Schultz, the 26<sup>th</sup> Commandant of the Coast Guard. In that role, he is responsible for the strategic direction, planning, and daily activities of the Commandant's staff. Prior to reporting to Washington, Captain Fedor was the Commanding Officer of the National Security Cutter JAMES (WMSL 754) in Charleston, S.C. During his command, JAMES earned the Hopley Yeaton award for operational excellence as well as the United States Interdiction Coordinator award for counter-narcotics operations in the Eastern Pacific. A career cutterman, he has nearly 12 years of sea-time to include three commands.

Prior to his tour on the JAMES, Captain Fedor was the Chief of Response for the Seventh Coast Guard District in Miami, FL. In that capacity, he was responsible for all Coast Guard law enforcement, search and rescue, and maritime incident management along the southeastern seaboard and throughout the Caribbean. His operational assignments include being Commanding Officer of the cutter MOHAWK, Executive Officer on the cutter LEGARE, Commanding Officer of the patrol boat MONOMOY, Operations Officer onboard the cutter DURABLE, and First Lieutenant onboard the cutter DAUNTLESS.

His staff tours include being an Intelligence Analyst in Miami, FL, Military Aide to the Coast Guard's Seventh District Commander, the Coast Guard's Fiscal Year 2004 federal budget coordinator in Washington D.C., a Congressional Fellow to the House of Representatives' Government Reform Subcommittee for Drug Policy and the Appropriations Subcommittee for Transportation, and as a Special Assistant and Speechwriter to the 23rd Commandant of the Coast Guard.

He graduated from the Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT in 1991 with a Bachelor of Science in Government. He earned a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government in 2001 and a Master's Degree in National Security Strategy from the National War College in 2011.

Captain Fedor's personal decorations include the Legion of Merit, four Meritorious Service Medals, two Coast Guard Commendation Medals, four Coast Guard Achievement Medals and the Commandant's Letter of Commendation.

Captain Fedor has been married to his wife Amy for 25 years and they have four children, Tyler (18), Will (17), and twins Megan and Drew (11).

 **United States Navy**  
**Biography** →

**Rear Admiral Christopher C. French**  
**Legal Counsel to the Chairman**  
**of the Joint Chiefs of Staff**

Rear Adm. Christopher C. French was born in Albany, New York and raised in Brooklyn, New York. He graduated from the University of New Hampshire in 1990. French was commissioned through the Judge Advocate General's Corps Student Program in 1992, graduating in 1993 from the Villanova University School of Law. He later earned a Master of Laws from Georgetown University Law Center in 2004.

At sea, French served as the fleet judge advocate to Commander, U.S. Seventh Fleet; staff judge advocate to Commander, Carrier Strike Group FIVE; and legal officer, aboard USS Nimitz (CVN 68).

His other assignments include staff judge advocate, U.S. European Command; deputy legal advisor to the National Security Council; special counsel to the Chief of Naval Operations; commanding officer, U.S. Region Legal Service Office, Europe, Africa, and Southwest Asia; chief of Operational Law, Multi-National Forces, Iraq; deputy legal counsel, Office of the Legal Counsel to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; assistant force judge advocate, Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Europe; and staff judge advocate, Naval Special Warfare Development Group. French began his legal career first as a trial counsel and later as the senior defense counsel at Naval Legal Service Office, Middle Pacific, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

French's personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal (three awards), Legion of Merit (three awards), Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Meritorious Service Medal, (two awards), Joint Service Commendation Medal, and the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (two awards).





## **Brigadier General Robert C. Fulford** Legislative Assistant to the Commandant of the Marine Corps

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Brigadier General Fulford was commissioned in 1992, after graduation from the United States Naval Academy. Following graduation from The Basic School and the Infantry Officer's Course, he reported to the 1st Marine Division. From June 1993 through December 1996, he served in 1st Battalion, 4th Marines, deploying with Battalion Landing Team 1/4, 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) in 1994 and 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) in 1996.



From December 1996 through December 1999, he served at The Basic School as a tactics instructor, Staff Platoon Commander, and instructor at the Infantry Officer's Course.

In June 2000, he reported to 2nd Marine Division and was assigned as the Commanding Officer, Echo Company, Battalion Landing Team 2/8, 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable). In November 2001, he assumed duties as the Operations Officer, 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines, deploying with the battalion as part of Regimental Combat Team-2, Task Force Tarawa, Amphibious Task Force-East in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM 1.

From June 2004 through June 2007, he served as the Commanding Officer of Recruiting Station Baltimore.

From July 2008 through April 2010, he served as the Commanding Officer, 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marines, deploying as Battalion Landing Team 3/2, 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit.

From July 2011 through July 2012, he served as the Senior Aide de Camp to the 35th Commandant of the Marine Corps. Followed by a tour in the Joint Staff, J5 Strategic Plans and Policy Directorate from August 2012 through June 2014.

From June 2014 through June 2016, Brigadier General Fulford served as the Commanding Officer of the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit. During this period, he deployed as the Commanding Officer, Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Force – Crisis Response – Africa from August 2014 through January 2015 and as the Commanding Officer, 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit aboard the KEARSARGE Amphibious Ready Group from October 2015 through April 2016.

From July 2016 through June 2019, Brigadier General Fulford served as the Director, Expeditionary Warfare School in Quantico, Virginia.

In June 2019, he assumed duties as the Legislative Assistant to the Commandant of the Marine Corps.

Brigadier General Fulford is a graduate of the U.S. Army Infantry Officer's Advance Course, the Marine Corps Command and Staff College, the School of Advanced Warfighting, and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.



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## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### COLONEL JENNIFER L. GRANT

Colonel Jennifer L. Grant is the Chief, Space Superiority Division, in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans and Programs, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. In this position, and with the stand-up of the U.S. Space Force as the sixth service branch within the Department of Defense, she works in support of the Secretary of the Air Force, the Chief of Staff of the Air Force, and the Chief of Space Operations, to ensure development and integration of the Air Force and Space Force resource allocation plans. She leads a staff of military and civilians in the development and integration of the Space Force program across the Future Years Defense Plan.

Colonel Grant entered the Air Force in 1995 as a graduate of the United States Air Force Academy. Her career has included various satellite space operations, launch, test, and acquisition program management assignments within the National Reconnaissance Office and Air Force Space Command. She has also served in staff positions within both organizations, as well as the Joint Staff and the Office of the Secretary of Defense. Col Grant commanded the 2<sup>nd</sup> Space Operations Squadron, the 30<sup>th</sup> Operations Group, and the 50<sup>th</sup> Space Wing. She is a graduate of the Naval Post Graduate School and the National War College.



#### EDUCATION

- 1995 Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science, United States Air Force Academy, CO
- 2000 In-Residence Squadron Officer School, Superior Leader Award, Maxwell, AFB, AL
- 2000 Squadron Officer School, Correspondence, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2001 Master of Science degree in Education, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA
- 2003 Master of Arts certificate in Organizational Behavior and Leadership, George Washington University, Washington D.C.
- 2006 Air Command and Staff College, Correspondence, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2007 In-Residence IDE and Distinguished Graduate, Master of Business Administration, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA
- 2010 Air War College, Correspondence, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2013 Master of Science, National Security Policy, National War College, Fort McNair, D.C.

#### CERTIFICATIONS

- 1995 ITW/AA Test Director
- 2000 Launch Test Director, Defense Support Program
- 2001 NRO Contract Officer Technical Representative (COTR)
- 2007 APDP Level III Program Management
- 2008 NRO Operations Crew Commander and Launch Operations Director
- 2010 GPS Space Operations (IQT)

#### ASSIGNMENTS

1. May 1995 – May 1998, CCPDS-R system Test Manager and Technical Control Upgrade Program Manager for the Cheyenne Mountain Upgrade Program Office; Center Deputy Chief of Protocol, Electronic Systems

Center, Hanscom AFB, MA.

2. May 1998 - May 2001, SBIRS High systems Integration Manager, Program Office Executive Officer, Defense Support Program Flight 20 Launch Test Director, and Branch Chief, Plans and Programs for the Space Based Infrared Systems Program Office, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, CA.
3. July – August 2000, student, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Montgomery, AL
4. June 2001 – June 2002, Branch Chief, Production, SAF Project Office, Under SECAF ELM
5. June 2002 – June 2003, Air Force Intern Program (Intern Military Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of Defense, SAF/AQC Project Officer and SAF/USAE PEM) Pentagon, Washington, DC.
6. June 2003 – May 2006, Branch Chief, Satellite Readiness, Executive Officer to the Deputy Director for System Engineering, and Lead Engineer for Ground Support and Simulation, Office of Space Technology, Under SecAF, with duty at the National Reconnaissance Office, Chantilly, VA.
7. September 2001 – December 2005, Air Force White House Social Aide and Senior Aide for White House Social Aides, White House Military Office, Washington DC.
8. June 2006 – December 2007, IDE student, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA
9. December 2007 – August 2008, Crew Commander and Director of Engineering, National Reconnaissance Office Operations Squadron, Schriever AFB, CO.
10. September 2008 – August 2010, Aide-de-Camp to the Commander and Assistant to the Chief of Strategy and Policy, Air Force Space Command, Peterson Air Force Base, CO.
11. January 2010 GPS IQT, Vandenberg AFB, CA
12. August 2010 – August 2012, Commander, 2<sup>nd</sup> Space Operations Squadron, Schriever Air Force Base, CO
13. August 2012- June 2013, Student, National War College, National Defense University, Washington, D.C.
14. June 2013 – June 2015, Space and C4ISR Analyst, Joint Staff, J-8, Pentagon, Washington, D.C
15. July 2015 – June 2017, Commander, 30<sup>th</sup> Operations Group, Vandenberg AFB, CA.
16. July 2017 – June 2019, Commander, 50<sup>th</sup> Space Wing, Schriever AFB, CO
17. July 2019 – present, Chief, Space Superiority Division, Office of Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans and Programs, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, VA.

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Legion of Merit

Defense Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant      May 31, 1995

First Lieutenant        May 31, 1997

Captain                    May 31, 1999

Major                      July 1, 2005

Lieutenant Colonel      February 1, 2010

Colonel                    July 1, 2015

*(Current as of 30 June 2020)*



## **Brig. Gen. Amy E. Hannah**

Chief of Public Affairs



Brig. Gen. Amy Hannah assumed duties as the chief of public affairs on April 13, 2019. In this position, she is responsible for all communication activities involving the United States Army, including the professional development of military and civilian public affairs personnel. She is charged with the formulation of communication and public affairs strategies, plans and policies, and serves as the senior advisor to the secretary of the Army; chief of staff of the Army and other senior Department of the Army leaders on communication matters relating to the Army.

Hannah is a native of Findlay, Ohio, graduated from The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, in 1991 and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

Hannah most recently served as the director, Army Marketing and Research Task Force, U.S. Army, Washington D.C. Prior to this recent assignment, she served as the public affairs officer, Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, Mons, Belgium. Her other key assignments include deputy chief of public affairs, U.S. Army, at the Pentagon; public affairs officer, United Nations Command / Combined Forces Command / U.S. Forces Korea; deputy chief of Media Relations Division, Office of the Chief of Public Affairs, Pentagon; and chief of strategic communications, Office of the Chief of Legislative Liaison, Pentagon.

Hannah has served at multiple staff levels as a public affairs officer to include the 82nd Airborne Division PAO, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; V Corps PAO, Heidelberg, Germany; PAO to the secretary of the Army, Pentagon; and media operations director, Multi-National Force-Iraq, Baghdad, Iraq. Her operational deployments include Operation Sea Signal, JTF-160, (Guantanamo Bay, Cuba); Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan); Joint Task Force Katrina (New Orleans, Louisiana); and Operation Iraqi Freedom (Baghdad).

Hannah holds a bachelor's degree in arts and sciences from Ohio State University and is a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. She earned a master's degree in communications and national resource strategy from American University and the National Defense University's Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy.



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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

## BRIGADIER GENERAL DAVID A. HARRIS

Brig Gen David A. Harris is the Director, Air Force Warfighting Integration Capability (AFWIC), Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategy, Integration and Requirements, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C. In this position, he leads advanced efforts for design, integration, and capability development across the Total Force for multi-domain concepts. AFWIC identifies prioritized ways and means to guide resourcing priorities improving Air Force lethality and enhancing the joint and coalition fight.

Brig Gen Harris received his commission from the University of Alabama in 1993. He is a master navigator and basic parachutist with more than 2,500 flying hours. General Harris has commanded at the squadron, group and wing level, and served as the Deputy Director of Operations for Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Prior to his current position, Brig Gen Harris was the Director, Strategic Plans, Programs and Requirements, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Florida.

### EDUCATION

1993 Bachelor of Science, Aerospace Engineering, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

2001 Master of Organizational Management, George Washington University, Washington D.C.

2006 Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

2007 Masters of Military Art and Science, School of Advanced Military Studies, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

2014 National War College, Fort McNair, Washington D.C.

2014 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina

2018 National Security Fellow, National Security Management Course, Syracuse University, Syracuse, N.Y.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. March 1994-May 1994, Student, Undergraduate Space Training, Vandenberg Air Force Base, California

2. May 1994-October 1994, Defense Support Program Systems Engineer, 1st Space Operations Squadron, Schriever AFB, Colorado

3. November 1994-October 1995, Student, Undergraduate Navigator Training, Randolph AFB, Texas

4. October 1995-May 1999, Instructor Navigator AC-130U, 4th Special Operations Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Florida

5. June 1999-May 2001, Student, Air Force Intern Program, Pentagon, Washington D.C.

6. June 2001-January 2002, Student, MC-130H Initial Navigator Qualification, Kirtland AFB, New Mexico



7. February 2002-January 2004, Chief, Squadron Standards and Evaluations, 7th Special Operations Squadron, Royal Air Force Mildenhall, United Kingdom
8. February 2004-June 2005, Evaluator Navigator MC-130H, Chief of Group Information Office, 352 Special Operations Group, RAF Mildenhall, United Kingdom
9. June 2005-May 2006, Student, Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas
10. June 2006-May 2007, Student, School of Advanced Military Studies, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas
11. June 2007-May 2009, Director of Operations, 550th Special Operations Squadron, Kirtland AFB, New Mexico
12. June 2009-June 2010, Commander, 550th Special Operations Squadron, Kirtland AFB, New Mexico
13. July 2010-July 2012, Deputy Director of Operations, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina
14. July 2012-June 2013, Commander, 449th Air Expeditionary Group, Djibouti, Republic of Djibouti
15. June 2013-June 2014, Student, National War College, Fort McNair, Washington D.C.
16. June 2014-June 2015, Senior Analyst, Office of the Secretary of Defense for Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, Pentagon, Washington D.C.
17. June 2015-July 2016, Commander, 1st Expeditionary Special Operations Wing, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar
18. July 2016-July 2018, Vice Superintendent, United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado
19. July 2018-May 2020, Director, Strategic Plans, Programs, and Requirements, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Florida
20. May 2020-Present, Director, Air Force Warfighting Integration Capability, Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategy, Integration and Requirements, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C

#### **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. July 2010-July 2012, Deputy Director of Operations, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, N.C. as a colonel.
2. June 2014-June 2015, Senior Analyst, Office of the Secretary of Defense for Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation as a colonel.

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Master navigator and basic parachutist

Flight hours: More than 2,500 including more than 247 combat hours

Aircraft flown: AC-130U, MC-130H, HC-130P/N, C-130E

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit

Distinguished Flying Cross with valor device

Bronze Star

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant June 1, 1993

First Lieutenant June 1, 1995

Captain June 2, 1997

Major June 2, 2004

Lieutenant Colonel June 2, 2007

Colonel Sept. 1, 2011

Brigadier General July 13, 2018

*(Current as of May 2020)*





# United States Navy Biography

## **Rear Admiral Gregory C. Huffman** **Director, Operations and Plans, N31, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations**

Rear Adm. Gregory C. Huffman is the son of a career naval officer and a 1989 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. He earned a Master of Arts in History from the University of Maryland in 1989 and a Master of Science in Aviation Systems from the University of Tennessee in 2000.

His sea duty flying assignments include a junior officer tour with the 'Rampagers' of Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 83, Cecil Field, Florida; department head with the 'Sunliners' of VFA-81, Oceana, Virginia; and commander VFA-27 'Royal Maces', Atsugi, Japan. He completed multiple deployments aboard USS Saratoga (CV 60), USS Enterprise (CVN 65), USS George Washington (CVN 73) and USS Kitty Hawk (CV 63), and flew combat missions over Bosnia, Kosovo, Iraq and Afghanistan.

Huffman's shore duty flying assignments include the U.S. Naval Test Pilot School, developmental test pilot for F/A-18 electronic warfare systems and initial testing of the F/A-18E/F 'Super Hornet' in China Lake, California, and executive officer and instructor with the VFA-122 'Flying Eagles' in Lemoore, California.

Additional shore duty assignments include military aide to the President of the United States at the White House, chief of staff for Commander, Naval Air Forces, Atlantic; head aviation Lieutenant. Commander. and Junior Officer detailee (PERS-432), Navy Personnel Command, Millington, Tennessee, and chief of staff for Commander, Navy Region Northwest, Bangor, Washington.

Following nuclear power training, he served as the final operational executive officer of USS Enterprise, completing her 25th and final deployment in 2012. He commanded USS Green Bay (LPD 20) from June 2013 until August 2014 and USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74) from February 2016 to August 2018.

He has logged over 2,900 flight hours in 26 different aircraft types and accumulated over 750 arrested landings.

Personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (four awards), Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Strike/Flight Air Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (four awards, one with Combat V), and various campaign, unit and service awards. He was named the Strike Fighter Wing Atlantic F/A-18 Pilot of the Year for 1996 and won the Mike Longardt Leadership Award in 2001.



*Updated: 4 December 2019*

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## **COL Michael Lalor**

### **Commander, Army Medical Logistics Command**

### **Fort Detrick, MD**



Colonel Michael B. Lalor was commissioned into the United States Army through the ROTC program at the University of Scranton, Scranton, PA, in May 1995. Entering military service from his hometown of Goshen, NY, COL Lalor has served throughout the U.S. Army in a variety of troop leadership and staff assignments.

COL Lalor assumed command of the Army Medical Logistics Command (AMLC), Fort Detrick, MD, as the unit activated in September 2019. COL Lalor joined the AMLC and Army Materiel Command after serving as the Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Sustainment, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Washington, D.C., from July 2018 – August 2019.

During his career, COL Lalor has commanded formations at the company, battalion and brigade level in Afghanistan: Company Commander, Headquarters and A Company, 210<sup>th</sup> Forward Support Battalion, 2<sup>nd</sup> BCT, 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division (LI), Fort Drum, NY, and Operation Enduring Freedom (2003); Battalion Commander, 710<sup>th</sup> Brigade Support Battalion, 3<sup>rd</sup> BCT, 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division (LI), Fort Drum, NY, and Task Force Spartan, Operation Enduring Freedom (2013-2014); Brigade Commander, 1<sup>st</sup> Armored Division Resolute Support Sustainment Brigade, Operational Freedom's Sentinel and Operation Resolute Support (2017).

COL Lalor's operational experience also includes: deployment as an M1A1 Tank Platoon Leader with 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 37<sup>th</sup> Armor, 1<sup>st</sup> BCT, 1<sup>st</sup> Armored Division, Friedberg, Germany and Operation Joint Endeavor, Bosnia and Herzegovina (1996); and, as the Division Logistics Planner, 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division (LI), Multi-National Division Center and South, Operation Iraqi Freedom (2008-2009).

Other notable assignments include: Executive Officer to the Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, G-4, Headquarters, Department of the Army, Washington, D.C. (2010-2012); Brigade Commander, 3<sup>rd</sup> BCT / TF Spartan, 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division (2014-2015), leading the brigade through its inactivation.

COL Lalor completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Scranton, Scranton, PA, as a Distinguished Military Graduate and was commissioned as a Quartermaster Officer, branch detailed Armor. COL Lalor's military education includes the: Armor Officer Basic Course, Fort Knox, KY; Combined Logistics Captains Career Course, Fort Lee, VA; School of Advanced Military Studies and Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, KS; U.S. Army War College, Carlisle, PA. He has earned a Master's degrees from Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA; the School of Advanced Military Studies, Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, KS; and from the U.S. Army War College, Carlisle, PA.

COL Lalor and his wife, Michelle (originally from Sterling, VA), have been married for 19 years. They have two children, Grace (13) and Allan (10). Michael and his family are avid sports fans and enjoy all sports and seasons. Grace is a softball and volleyball player. Allan is a baseball and basketball player, and both kids and Michelle participate in karate.



# United States Army

Brigadier General KEVIN C. LEAHY

**Director**  
**Global Integration Directorate, J-5 The Joint Staff**  
**3000 Joint Staff Pentagon, Room BD945A**  
**Washington, DC 20318-3000**  
**Since: June 2020**



## SOURCE OF COMMISSIONED SERVICE ROTC

## EDUCATIONAL DEGREES

University of Scranton – BS – Criminal Justice  
 Command and General Staff College – MMA – General Studies

## MILITARY SCHOOLS ATTENDED

Military Police Officer Basic Course  
 Infantry Officer Advanced Course  
 United States Army Command and General Staff College  
 Senior Service College Fellowship - University of North Carolina  
 Joint and Combined Warfighting School

## FOREIGN LANGUAGE(S) Arabic-Modern

## PROMOTIONS                      DATE OF APPOINTMENT

2LT	29 May 93
1LT	29 May 95
CPT	1 Jun 97
MAJ	1 May 04
LTC	1 Aug 09
COL	1 Dec 13
BG	2 Jul 19

## FROM    TO    ASSIGNMENT

Jun 20	Present	Director, Transregional Threat Coordination Cell, J-5, Joint Staff, Washington, DC
Jun 19	May 20	Deputy Commanding General (Operations), 7th Infantry Division, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington
Sep 18	May 19	Deputy Commander, Special Operations Command Central, United States Central Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida
Jul 17	Sep 18	Director, Commander's Action Group, United States Special Operations Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida
Jul 15	Jul 17	Commander, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Campbell, Kentucky and OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE, Turkey
Jul 14	Jun 15	Senior Service College Fellow, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina
Aug 13	May 14	Commander, United States Army Special Forces Command Forward-Central Africa, and OPERATION OBSERVANT COMPASS, Uganda
Oct 12	Jul 13	Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations, United States Army Special Forces Command (Airborne), Fort Bragg, North Carolina
Nov 10	Aug 12	Commander, 2d Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Campbell, Kentucky

Aug 08 Sep 10 Chief, Special Operations Forces Concepts Division, United States Special Operations Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida and OPERATION NEW DAWN, Iraq

Apr 06 Jun 08 Commander, B Company, 2d Battalion, later Operations Officer, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Campbell, Kentucky and OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq

Jun 05 Apr 06 Plans Officer, later Chief of Operations, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Campbell, Kentucky and OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq

Aug 04 May 05 Student, United States Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

Jun 02 Jul 04 Chief, Special Operations Branch, United States Total Army Personnel Command, later United States Army Human Resources Command, Alexandria, Virginia

Jun 01 May 02 Commander, D Company, 3d Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Campbell, Kentucky and OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan

Feb 99 Jun 01 Commander, Special Forces Operational Detachment Alpha, A Company, 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Campbell, Kentucky and OPERATIONS JOINT GUARDIAN, Kosovo and DESERT SPRING and IRIS GOLD, Kuwait

May 98 Nov 98 Student, Basic Military Language Course, United States John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina

Oct 97 May 98 Student, Special Forces Qualifications Course, United States John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School, Fort Bragg, North Carolina

Mar 97 Aug 97 Student, Infantry Officer Advanced Course, United States Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia

Mar 96 Feb 97 Assistant Operations Officer, 716th Military Police Battalion, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Kentucky

Sep 95 Mar 96 Executive Officer, 194th Military Police Company, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Kentucky

Apr 95 Sep 95 Force Deputy Provost Marshal, United States Army Element, Multinational Force and Observers, Sinai, Egypt

Feb 94 Feb 95 Platoon Leader, 2d Military Police Company, 2d Infantry Division, Eighth Army, Korea

#### SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Dir3ctor, Transregional Threat Coordination Cell, J-5, Joint Staff, Washington, DC	Jun 20 - Present	Brigadier General
Director, Commander's Action Group, United States Special Operations Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida	Jul 17 - Sep 18	Colonel
Chief, Special Operation Forces Concepts Division, United States Special Operations Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida and OPERATION NEW DAWN, Iraq	Aug 08 - Sep 10	Major/Lieutenant Colonel

#### SUMMARY OF OPERATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Commander, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne) and Combined Joint Special Task Force-Syria, OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE, Turkey	Jan 17 - Jun 17	Colonel
Commander, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne) and Combined Joint Special Task Force-Syria, OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE, Turkey	Aug 16 - Oct 16	Colonel
Commander, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne) and Combined Joint Special Task Force-Syria, OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE, Turkey	Feb 16 - May 16	Colonel
Commander, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne) and Combined Joint Special Task Force-Syria, OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE, Jordan	Aug 15 - Jan 16	Colonel
Commander, Special Operations Command Forward - Central Africa, Africa and OPERATION OBSERVANT COMPASS, Uganda	Aug 13 - May 14	Lieutenant Colonel/Colonel
Operations Officer, Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force - Arabian Peninsula, OPERATION NEW DAWN, Iraq	Feb 10 - Jul 10	Lieutenant Colonel
Operations Officer, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne),	Oct 07 - Jun 08	Major

OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq Commander, B Company, 2d Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq	Sep 06 - May 07	Major
Chief of Operations, Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force - Arabian Peninsula, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq	Jun 05 - Jan 06	Major
Commander, D Company, 3d Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan	Nov 01 - Dec 01	Captain
Commander, Special Forces Operational Detachment Alpha, A Company, 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), OPERATION JOINT FORGE, Kosovo	Jan 01 - Mar 01	Captain
Commander, Special Forces Operational Detachment Alpha, A Company, 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), OPERATION DESERT SPRING, Kuwait	Jan 00 - Apr 00	Captain
Commander, Special Forces Operational Detachment Alpha, A Company, 1st Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), OPERATION IRIS GOLD, Kuwait	Apr 99 - Jun 99	Captain

#### US DECORATIONS AND BADGES

Defense Superior Service Medal  
 Legion of Merit  
 Bronze Star Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
 Purple Heart  
 Defense Meritorious Service Medal (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)  
 Meritorious Service Medal (with 4 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
 Joint Service Commendation Medal (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)  
 Army Commendation Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
 Joint Service Achievement Medal  
 Combat Infantryman Badge  
 Master Parachutist Badge  
 Air Assault Badge  
 Ranger Tab  
 Special Forces Tab

**MAJOR GENERAL DANIEL J. LECCE**  
**STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE TO THE COMMANDANT OF THE**  
**MARINE CORPS**

Major General Daniel J. Lecce was born and raised in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He is a 1984 graduate of the University of Pittsburgh and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps in 1986. He received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law in 1987.



He first served at Camp Pendleton, California, where he was assigned as civil law attorney and trial counsel. He later served as the Commanding Officer, Headquarters and Service Company, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton. He was transferred to the 3rd Force Service Support Group, Okinawa, Japan, in 1992 and served as a legal assistance attorney and trial counsel. Major General Lecce next served as an Assistant Professor, United States Naval Academy (Leadership and Law), from 1993 to 1996. He was selected and attended the Judge Advocate General of the Army School from which he received a Masters of Law in Operational and International Law in 1997.

In 1997, Major General Lecce was transferred to 1st Force Service Support Group at Camp Pendleton, California, where he served as Senior Defense Counsel and Officer-in-Charge of Legal Assistance. In 1999, he deployed as the Staff Judge Advocate, 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit, and participated in the United Nations' Operation Stabilise (East Timor) and Operation Southern Watch (Persian Gulf). He was later transferred to Norfolk, Virginia, and served as Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, United States Marine Corps Forces, Atlantic, from 2000 to 2003.

In 2003, Major General Lecce was selected and served as the Commanding Officer, Company B, Marine Security Guard Battalion (United Arab Emirates), responsible for all Marine detachments posted at United States embassies and consulates throughout the Middle East and the Indian subcontinent. He left command in 2005 to serve as the Branch Head, Operational and International Law, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate to the Commandant, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps. In 2006, Major General Lecce was selected as the Marine Fellow to Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies. He graduated with a Masters of International Public Policy in 2007 and was designated a Regional Area Officer (Middle East/North Africa).

He was assigned as the Staff Judge Advocate, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing in 2007. In 2009, Major General Lecce deployed with II Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward) in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. After returning to the United States in 2010, Major General Lecce served as the Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune. After command, he served as the Staff Judge Advocate to the Combatant Commander, United States Southern Command (SOUTHCOM).

He assumed duties as the Assistant Judge Advocate General, Military Justice, in June 2014, overseeing all courts-martial appellate litigation within the Department of the Navy and military justice policy for the Navy. In July 2018, Major General Lecce was promoted to his current rank and assumed the billet of Staff Judge Advocate to the Commandant of the Marine Corps.

His personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal, and the Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medal.



# BIOGRAPHY

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## BRIGADIER GENERAL BENJAMIN R. MAITRE

Brig. Gen. Benjamin R. Maitre is the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, U.S. Special Operations Command, Washington, D.C. He serves as the Principal Advisor to the commander on legislative affairs, develops the command's strategy for engagement with Congress, and coordinates congressional interests regarding special operations forces with the Joint Staff, combatant commands, and other organizations within the Department of Defense.

Brig. Gen. Maitre grew up abroad and in Brookline, Massachusetts, and earned his commission from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1995. He has spent the majority of his career in special operations aviation assignments, as an aircraft commander, flight instructor and evaluator in two armed services, and has led expeditionary forces in combat in Iraq and other locations.

### EDUCATION

- 1995 Bachelor of Science, Political Science, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 2000 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2004 Master of Aerospace Science, Aerospace Operations, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona, Fla.
- 2004 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2007 Master of Science, Defense Analysis, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.
- 2008 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2008 Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.
- 2013 National Defense Fellowship, U.S. Department of State, Washington, D.C.
- 2015 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
- 2018 Leadership Development Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Colorado Springs, Colo.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1995–January 1996, Intercollegiate Administrative Assistant, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.
2. January 1996–February 1997, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas, and Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, Texas
3. February 1997–February 1998, Student, C-130E/MC-130H, Little Rock AFB, Ark., and Kirtland AFB, N.M.
4. February 1998–August 2000, MC-130H Pilot and Aircraft Commander, 1st Special Operations Squadron, Kadena Air Base, Japan
5. August 2000–February 2004, MC-130H Instructor and Evaluator Pilot, 15th Special Operations Squadron and 16th Special Operations Group, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
6. February 2004–June 2006, U.S. Coast Guard HC-130H Exchange Pilot, Flight Examiner, and Assistant Operations Officer, Coast Guard Air Station Clearwater, Fla.
7. June 2006–December 2007, Student, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.
8. January 2008–November 2009, Joint Air Operations Strategist and Commander's Action Group, U.S. Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, Fla.
9. November 2009–June 2012, Operations Officer, then Commander, 7th Special Operations Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, United Kingdom



10. June 2012–May 2013, National Defense Fellow, U.S. Department of State, Washington, D.C.
11. May 2013–February 2015, Commander, 353rd Special Operations Group, Kadena AB, Japan
12. February 2015–June 2017, Commander, 27th Special Operations Wing, Cannon AFB, N.M.
13. June 2017–July 2018, Senior Program Analyst, Irregular Warfare, Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
14. July 2018–present, Director, Legislative Affairs, U.S. Special Operations Command, Washington, D.C.

#### **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. January 2008–November 2009, Joint Air Operations Strategist and Commander's Action Group, U.S. Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, Fla., as a major and lieutenant colonel
2. April 2011–August 2011, Commander, Combined Joint Special Operations Aviation Detachment, Joint Base Balad, Iraq, as a lieutenant colonel
3. June 2017–July 2018, Senior Program Analyst, Irregular Warfare, Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel
4. July 2018–present, Director, Legislative Affairs, U.S. Special Operations Command, Washington, D.C., as a colonel and brigadier general

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command pilot  
Flight hours: more than 4,900  
Aircraft flown: MC-130, HC-130, C-146 and others

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Silver Star  
Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster  
Bronze Star  
Defense Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Air Medal with silver oak leaf cluster  
Aerial Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Air Force Commendation Medal  
Coast Guard Commendation Medal with operational device  
Joint Service Achievement Medal  
Air Force Combat Action Medal  
Coast Guard Presidential Unit Citation

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant May 31, 1995  
First Lieutenant May 31, 1997  
Captain May 31, 1999  
Major July 1, 2005  
Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2009  
Colonel Oct. 1, 2013  
Brigadier General Oct. 2, 2019

(Current as of October 2019)





# United States Navy Biography

## **Rear Admiral Daniel P. Martin** **Military Advisor, US State Department Bureau for Political Military Affairs**

RDML Martin is a 1991 graduate of Oglethorpe University in Atlanta, Georgia, where he earned a B.B.A. in Accounting and an officer commission through Georgia Tech's NROTC unit. RDML Martin completed flight training in Meridian, MS, in December 1994. He earned his Joint Qualified Officer (JQO) designation at the Joint Forces Staff College in Norfolk, VA and a Master of Arts Degree in International Security Affairs from the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, RI.

Operationally, he has served in numerous strike fighter squadrons flying the FA-18 Hornet. His fleet assignments include a junior officer tour with the Dambusters of VFA-195, forward deployed in Atsugi, Japan and a department head tour with the Wildcats of VFA-131. In 2010-2011 RDML Martin served as the commanding officer of the Bulls of VFA-37. He was the air wing commander (CAG) at Carrier Air Wing EIGHT in 2015-2016.

Ashore, RDML Martin served as an FA-18 instructor pilot and Landing Signal Officer (LSO) with the Gladiators of VFA-106 and as a demonstration pilot with the US Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron, the Blue Angels. He served as the narrator (#7), the opposing solo (#6), and the lead solo and operations officer (#5) for the 2001 through 2003 show seasons. RDML Martin has held four staff officer assignments: a joint / international assignment to Headquarters, Supreme Allied Command Transformation, congressional liaison for all naval aviation programs at the Navy's Office for Legislative Affairs in Washington, DC, and Executive Assistant to the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Operations, Plans, and Strategy (OPNAV N3/N5) in the Pentagon. Most recently, he served as the Executive Assistant to the Commander, US Fleet Forces Command in Norfolk, VA.

He is entitled to wear the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal and various unit and campaign awards. RDML Martin has accumulated over 4,600 flight hours and 750 carrier-arrested landings.





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



## BRIGADIER GENERAL DAVID A. MINEAU

Brig. Gen. David Mineau is the Director of Current Operations, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Headquarters U.S Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. The directorate, encompassing six divisions, the Air Force Operations Group and the Air Force Flight Standards Agency is responsible for policy, guidance and oversight of Air Force current operations in air, space and cyberspace. The directorate provides time-sensitive situational awareness and analysis to Air Force senior leaders and links worldwide operations with core Air Force processes to enable global vigilance, reach and power.



Brig. Gen. Mineau received his commission from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1994. He is a graduate of the School of Advanced Air and Space Studies and is a command pilot with more than 2,100 flying hours in the F-15C Eagle, F-16C Fighting Falcon, HH-60 Pave Hawk, KC-135 Stratotanker and E-3 Sentry. He has flown combat sorties over Iraq in support of operations Southern Watch and Desert Fox; deployed to Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and Iraq; and commanded a squadron, group and wing.

### EDUCATION

1994 Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

1996 Master of Science, Aeronautical Engineering, University of Washington, Seattle

2000 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

2006 Master of Science, Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2007 Master of Science, Airpower Art and Science, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2013 Master of Strategic Studies, Marine Corps War College, Quantico, Va.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1994–March 1996, Graduate Student, University of Washington, Seattle, Wash.

2. April 1996–June 1997, Student, Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training, Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.

3. July 1997–January 1998, Student, F-15C Formal Training Unit, 95th Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
4. February 1998–February 2001, F-15C Flight Lead and Chief of Squadron Standardization and Evaluation, 60th Fighter Squadron, Eglin AFB, Fla.
5. March 2001–September 2003, F-15C Instructor Pilot, Flight Commander, and Chief of Programing, 1st Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
6. September 2003–June 2005, F-15C Instructor Pilot and Flight Commander, 85th Operations Squadron, Naval Air Station Keflavik, Iceland
7. July 2005–June 2006, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
8. June 2006–June 2007, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
9. June 2007–June 2009, Deputy Chief of Combat Plans and Chief of Strategy, 612th Air and Space Operations Center, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
10. June 2009–July 2012, Chief of Safety, 18th Wing and Commander, 18th Operations Support Squadron, Kadena Air Base, Japan
11. July 2012–July 2013, Student, Marine Corps War College, Quantico, Va.
12. July 2013–June 2014, Security Assistance Initiatives, Political-Military Affairs Liaison, and Chief, Air Force Security Assistance, Office of Security Cooperation, Iraq
13. August 2014–July 2016, Commander, 18th Operations Group, Kadena AB, Japan
14. July 2016–July 2018, Commander 354th Fighter Wing, Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska
15. July 2018–June 2019, Director, Joint and National Security Council Matters, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
16. June 2019–present, Director of Current Operations, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

#### **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. July 2013–June 2014, Security Assistance Initiatives, Political-Military Affairs Liaison, and Chief, Air Force Security Assistance, Office of Security Cooperation, Iraq, as a colonel (frocked)

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command

Pilot Flight hours: more than 2,100

Aircraft flown: F-15 A/C, F-16C, HH-60G, E-3, KC-135

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant June 1, 1994

First Lieutenant June 1, 1996

Captain June 1, 1998

Major July 1, 2004

Lieutenant Colonel June 1, 2008

Colonel Sep. 1, 2014

Brigadier General, Oct. 2, 2019

(Current as of October 2019)

The logo features the United States Navy seal on the left, which includes an eagle with wings spread, holding an anchor, surrounded by the words "DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY" and "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA". To the right of the seal, the words "United States Navy" are written in a blue serif font, and "Biography" is written in a larger, bold blue serif font. A blue arrow points to the right from the end of the word "Biography".

# United States Navy Biography

## Rear Admiral Casey J. Moton Program Executive Officer, Unmanned and Small Combatants

Rear Adm. Casey Moton is a native of Woodbridge, Virginia. In 1991 he received a commission and a Bachelor of Science in Naval Architecture from the U.S. Naval Academy. He is also a 1998 graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology with a degree in Naval Engineer and a Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering.

He qualified as a Surface Warfare Officer while serving onboard USS Monterey (CG 61) as main propulsion assistant and anti-submarine warfare officer from 1992 to 1995. In 2009, he deployed as an individual augmentee supporting Operation Enduring Freedom managing U.S. forces facilities construction in Kabul for Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan.

As an engineering duty officer (EDO), Moton has served across all phases of surface ship design and shipbuilding. As an exchange officer, he served in Ottawa in the Future Ship Concepts office for the Royal Canadian Navy. He served in the DDG 1000 Program Office (PMS 500) during preliminary and contract design for the class. He has served at private shipyards at Navy Supervisors of Shipbuilding (SUPSHIPS), initially qualifying as an EDO at SUPSHIP Pascagoula, Mississippi. He later led the SUPSHIP Detachment, Marinette, Wisconsin, as Littoral Combat Ship (LCS) program manager's representative. At the Pentagon, he twice served in the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Ships), including as chief of staff.

He has led two major Defense Acquisition Programs. From 2014 to 2016 he served as major program manager (MPM), LCS Mission Modules (PMS 420), leading development and testing of mission packages for surface warfare, mine countermeasures, and anti-submarine warfare. From 2016 to 2019 he led as MPM of the DDG 51 Program. During his tour, PMS 400D delivered the first five ships after restart of DDG 51 production, and placed an additional 12 ships under contract, including the first Flight III Destroyers.

On May 3, 2019, he assumed command of Program Executive Office, Unmanned and Small Combatants (PEO USC). PEO USC is responsible for acquisition and sustainment of the Navy's expanding family of unmanned maritime systems, mine warfare systems, and small surface combatants.

Moton's awards include the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, and various other personal, service, campaign, and unit awards.

*Updated: 7 May 2019*





**BG Joshua M. "Josh" Rudd**  
**Deputy Commanding General - Operations**  
**25th Infantry Division, Schofield Barracks HI**

In his current position, BG Rudd assists the Division Commander in his responsibilities, including those of Senior Commander for all US Army Forces Hawaii - 29,000 Soldiers and their Family members, retirees, civilians, and contractors. He provides operations oversight for the planning and execution of current and future operations, unit and individual training, contingency response requirements, readiness exercises, and Theater Security Cooperation Plans in support of the USINDOPACOM Commander's objectives.

Prior to this position BG Rudd served as the Deputy Commanding General 1st Special Forces Command (Airborne), FT Bragg, NC

His Previous Command Assignments include: Commander JIATF-NCR (2017-2018), Commander of a Forward Deployed Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force (2017-2018), Commander 3rd Operations Support Group (2015-2017). As a Special Forces Officer BG Rudd commanded at every echelon from SFODA to Group level.

His staff and special assignments include: Chief Current Operations Joint Special Operations Command (2011-2013), Brigade Operations Officer (2008-2009), J3 Forward Deployed Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force (2009), Director Forward Deployed Operations Intelligence Fusion Cell (2008).

He has multiple operational deployments in support of operations in Colombia, Afghanistan, Iraq, the greater Middle East and North Africa.

BG Rudd is from Ft Mill, South Carolina and was commissioned through ROTC as a Quartermaster Officer in 1993. In 1999, he successfully completed the Special Force Officer Qualification Course and was branch transferred to Special Forces. His civilian education includes a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Furman University and a Master's Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College. He is a graduate of US Army War College - Duke University Fellowship, and the Command and Staff College - US Naval War College.

BG Rudd and his wife Ansley have two daughters, Hayden and Hollis.



# United States Navy Biography

## REAR ADMIRAL STEPHEN R. TEDFORD COMMANDER, OPERATIONAL TEST & EVALUATION FORCE

Rear Adm. Stephen Tedford, a native of Huntington, New York, was commissioned an Ensign through Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps and was designated a Naval Aviator in 1993.

He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Aerospace Engineering from The Pennsylvania State University and was a graduate of the United States Naval Test Pilot School (USNTPS) Cooperative Program at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California. Upon graduation from USNTPS, Tedford earned his Masters of Science degree in Aeronautical Engineering.

During Tedford's operational tours, he served as commanding officer of Air Test and Evaluation Squadron 30 (VX-30) in Point Mugu, California, where more than 13,000 flight hours in the P-3C Orion, C-130 Hercules and S-3B Viking aircraft were executed during his tenure. Other tours included Patrol Squadron 9, located at Barbers Point, Hawaii, and Patrol Squadron 47 in Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii, during which time he deployed to Diego Garcia; Misawa, Japan; and Bahrain. Tedford also deployed to the 5th Fleet where he executed 250 combat flight hours in support of Operations *Southern Watch* and *Iraqi Freedom*.



During ashore tours, Tedford served as a test pilot at Naval Force Aircraft Test Squadron (VX-20) in Patuxent River, Maryland, for the P-3C, C-12 Huron and T-34C Mentor and as an instructor at USNTPS for the P-3C, U-21 Ute, T-38A Talon and T-2C Buckeye. He served two tours with the Maritime Patrol and Reconnaissance Aircraft program office (PMA-290) at Naval Air Systems Command, Patuxent River, as P-3C weapons class desk and as P-3 sustainment integrated product team lead responsible for the complete structural sustainment of 172 P-3/EP-3 aircraft and the execution of a \$1.5B budget.

Tedford has accumulated more than 3,100 flight hours in 40 different aircraft. While in command of VX-30, the squadron of 250 military, government service and contractor personnel executed a \$25M annual budget and earned the 2009 Chief of Naval Operations Aviation Safety Award.

In April 2012, Tedford reported to PMA-251 as the deputy program manager for the Electromagnetic Aircraft Launch System (EMALS) and the Advanced Arresting Gear (AAG) system. He then commanded PMA 251 as the Program Manager from September 2014 to July 2018. Following this tour, he assumed the responsibilities of his current assignment as NAVAIR Vice Commander in August 2018.

His personal decorations include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (three), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (three; one with Combat Valor), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (two), and numerous other unit and service awards.



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## Brigadier General Claude K. Tudor Jr.

Brig. Gen. Claude K. Tudor Jr. is the Director of Air Force Resilience under the Deputy Chief of Staff for Manpower, Personnel and Services, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Arlington, Va. He is responsible for providing strategic solutions that maximize resilience and normalize help-seeking behavior as strength, and for delivering the most effective prevention and response to interpersonal and self-directed violence through engaging Airmen and their families early, and pushing professional help to our Airmen in their units. Tudor served previously as the Commander, 24th Special Operations Wing, Hurlburt Field, Florida where he was responsible for preparing Special Tactics forces for rapid global employment to enable airpower success. The 24th SOW is the only wing in the Air Force dedicated to special tactics Airmen, providing precision strike, global access, personnel recovery and battlefield surgery.

General Tudor was commissioned through the ROTC program at Troy State University and has spent the majority of his career in special operations ground combat assignments deploying extensively.



### EDUCATION

1992 Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice, Troy State University, Troy, Ala.

1998 Squadron Officers School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

1999 Masters of Business Management, Troy State University, Fort Walton Beach, Fla.

2003 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence.

2004 Joint Military Intelligence College (Intermediate Developmental Education), Bolling AFB, Washington D.C.

2004 Master's degree, Strategic Intelligence, Joint Military Intelligence College, Bolling AFB, Washington D.C.

2007 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2010 Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

2010 Master of Strategic Studies, United States Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1992 – May 1995, Flight Commander, 314th Combat Control Squadron, Little Rock Air Force Base, Ark.

2. May 1995 – May 1997, Flight Commander, 320th Special Tactics Squadron, Kadena Air Base, Okinawa, Japan

3. May 1997 – May 1999, Director of Force Management, 720th Special Tactics Group, Hurlburt Field, Fla.

4. May 1999 – May 2000, Assistant Director of Operations, 720th Special Tactics Group, Hurlburt Field, Fla.

5. May 2000 – April 2001, Chief, Air Ops Integration, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Fla.

6. April 2001 – August 2003, Director of Operations, 321st Special Tactics Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, England

7. August 2003 – June 2004, Student, Joint Military Intelligence College, Bolling AFB, Washington D.C.

8. June 2004 – July 2006, Commander, 321st Special Tactics Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, England

9. July 2006 – July 2007, Chief of Special Tactics & Battlefield Airmen Branch, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Arlington, Va.

10. July 2007 – July 2009, Foreign Affairs Specialist, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

11. July 2009 – July 2010, Student, United States Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.
12. July 2010 – January 2011, U.S. Army XVIII Airborne Corps Air Liaison Officer, Fort Bragg, N.C.
13. January 2011 – December 2011, Commander, 368th Expeditionary Air Support Operations Group, Iraq
14. December 2011 – June 2014, Deputy Director of Operations, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, N.C.
15. June 2014 – July 2016, Vice Commander, 20th Air Force and Task Force 214 Deputy Commander, F.E. Warren AFB, Wyo.
16. July 2016 – July 2017, Deputy Director Clandestine Operations, Global Access & Mission Integration, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
17. July 2017 – March 2018, (Acting) Director Clandestine Operations, Global Access and Mission Integration, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
18. March 2018 – April 2019, Commander, 24th Special Operations Wing, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
19. May 2019 – Present, Director of Air Force Resilience, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Arlington, Va.

#### **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. July 2007 – July 2009, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, Global Security Affairs, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a lieutenant colonel
2. December 2011 – June 2014, Deputy Director of Operations, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, N.C., as a colonel
3. July 2016 – July 2017, Deputy Director Clandestine Operations, Global Access and Mission Integration, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel
4. July 2017 – March 2018, (Acting) Director Clandestine Operations, Global Access and Mission Integration, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Defense Superior Service Medal  
Legion of Merit with one device  
Bronze Star with one device  
Joint Meritorious Unit Award  
Gallant Unit Citation

#### **OTHER AWARDS AND HONORS**

1994 Air Combat Command Combat Control Officer of the Year  
1996 Air Force Special Operations Combat Control Officer of the Year  
1996 Air Force Combat Control Officer of the Year  
2004 Air Force Special Operations Gill Robb Wilson Award Recipient

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant May 29, 1992  
First Lieutenant July 26, 1994  
Captain July 26, 1996  
Major February 1, 2003  
Lieutenant Colonel December 1, 2006  
Colonel October 1, 2010  
Brigadier General February 5, 2019

(Current as of February 2019)



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# United States Navy Biography

## Rear Admiral Peter Vasely Director for Operations, Defense Intelligence Agency

Rear Admiral (RDML) Pete Vasely serves as the Defense Intelligence Agency's Director for Operations. In this role, Admiral Vasely manages and oversees the Directorate's worldwide intelligence collection and counterintelligence (CI) analysis and operations.

A native of Coronado, CA, RDML Vasely graduated from the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis MD, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in General Engineering in 1990. He holds a Master of Science in Joint Warfighting and Strategic Studies from the Joint Advanced Warfighting School, in Norfolk, VA.

His tours as a Naval Special Warfare Officer included Assistant Platoon Commander and Platoon Commander at SEAL Team ONE, Troop Commander at Naval Special Warfare Development Group (NSWDG), Training/Operations Officer at Special Boat Unit Twenty-Two, and Team Leader (Executive Officer) of an assault squadron at NSWDG. During these tours, Vasely completed multiple deployments to PACOM and SOUTHCOM and deployed in support of operations in Bosnia and Herzegovina from 1998-1999. As Commanding officer Naval Special Warfare Tactical Development SQN Two, he served with and led Joint Task Forces on multiple combat deployments to Afghanistan and Iraq. As Deputy Commanding Officer NSWDG, Vasely led Joint Task Forces operating outside the mature combat theaters in the Horn of Africa and Arabian Peninsula. As Commander Naval Special Warfare Group Two, he trained, organized, equipped, deployed, and sustained NSW forces in support of Theater Special Operations Commands in AFRICOM, EUCOM, SOUTHCOM, and CENTCOM. Other assignments and joint tours include: Operations Officer, Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC), Branch Chief and Operations Officer at Joint Staff/Deputy Director for Special Operations (137-DDSO), Deputy Director for Operations at JSOC, and Director of Operations at JSOC, and Second-in-command to the Deputy Commanding General – Operations, United States Forces - Afghanistan (USFORA).

His personal awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal (two awards), Legion of Merit (two awards), Bronze Star with "V" distinguishing device (four awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), the Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Commendation Medal (three awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (two awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Presidential Unit Citation (two awards), and various campaign, unit, and service awards.

His wife Deanne and two kids, Josh (16) and Charlotte (13) live in McLean, VA.





# United States Navy Biography

## Rear Admiral Eric H. Ver Hage Commander, Regional Maintenance Center

Rear Adm. Ver Hage is a native of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania. He enlisted in the Navy in 1984 and served as an electronics technician until his appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy. He graduated in 1991 with a Bachelor of Science in Political Science and from the Naval War College in 2008 with a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies.

Ver Hage is a designated surface acquisition professional and has served in a variety of afloat and ashore assignments. His tours at sea include duty aboard four ships and three afloat staffs. Ship assignments include commanding officer of USS Carr (FFG 52); executive officer of USS San Jacinto (CG 56); commissioning operations officer of USS Higgins (DDG 76) and as strike officer and damage control assistant aboard USS Chancellorsville (CG 62).

Afloat staff assignments include flag aide to Commander Second Fleet/Striking Fleet Atlantic; exercise/regional engagement officer in Manama, Bahrain-based Destroyer Squadron Five Zero and as officer in charge of Tomahawk Afloat Planning System Pacific Team One embarked aboard USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) with Commander, Cruiser-Destroyer Group Three.



Ashore, Ver Hage served in a number of acquisition and staff assignments with the Missile Defense Agency (MDA) as the major program manager for Aegis Ashore, where he was responsible for the design, development, testing, Ballistic Missile Defense System integration and fielding of the Aegis Ashore program capabilities. Prior to his MDA assignment, Ver Hage served as the U.S. national point of contact and program executive officer of Integrated Warfare Systems (PEO IWS) project manager for U.S. participation in the Maritime Theater Missile Defense (MTMD) forum. Ver Hage served as commanding officer of Naval Surface Warfare Center, Corona Division and as commanding officer of Naval Surface Warfare Center, Port Hueneme Division. He also served as an associate fellow with the Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV) Strategic Studies Group XXVI and twice on the OPNAV Surface Warfare Directorate staff to include as a DDG-1000 action officer and as the Weapons and Sensors branch head.

Most recently, Ver Hage served as commander, Naval Surface Warfare Center/commander, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, and led more than 27,000 scientists, engineers, technicians and support personnel, both civilian and active duty, at eight Surface Warfare Divisions and two Undersea Warfare Divisions. The Naval Sea System Command (NAVSEA) Warfare centers provide research, development, test and evaluation for the future Navy as well as in-service engineering and logistics support for the operational naval forces.

Ver Hage assumed duties as the commander, Navy Regional Maintenance Center (CNRMC) and NAVSEA director, Surface Ship Maintenance and Modernization (SEA 21) on Apr. 24, 2020.

Ver Hage's personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (six awards), Navy Marine Corps Commendation Medal (six awards), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Navy Marine Corps Achievement Medal (three awards) and various unit and service medals and ribbons.

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## BRIGADIER GENERAL STEVEN P. WHITNEY

Brig. Gen. Steve Whitney is the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Logistics and serves as a principal advisor to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment. In this position, he is responsible for the Department's logistics strategy and policy, supply, storage and distribution, property and equipment, transportation, and program support. His portfolio includes oversight of ~\$100 billion of inventory and inventory management practices, asset visibility, and disposal as well as obsolescence and anti-counterfeit strategies.

General Whitney graduated in 1992 from the University of Minnesota with a Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering and completed the university's Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps program as a distinguished graduate. Through the years, he has served in a wide variety of space system acquisition and operations leadership positions within the Air Force, Joint Staff, and the National Reconnaissance Office. His assignments include serving as a Crew Commander, Spacecraft Engineer, Senior Flight Commander, Program Element Monitor, Director of Engineering, Squadron Commander, Senior Materiel Leader, Program Director, and Program Executive Officer.



### EDUCATION

- 1992 Bachelor of Electrical Engineering, University of Minnesota; Minneapolis, MN.
- 1997 Squadron Officer School (Distinguished Graduate), Maxwell AFB, AL.
- 2000 Master of Arts in Administrative Sciences, George Washington University; Washington, DC.
- 2004 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence
- 2005 Master of Science in Systems Engineering (Distinguished Graduate), Air Force Institute of Technology; Wright-Patterson AFB, OH.
- 2007 Air War College, by correspondence
- 2011 Master of Science in National Security Strategy, National War College, Washington, DC.
- 2013 Program Managers Course, Defense Acquisition University, Fort Belvoir, VA.
- 2014 Executive Program Managers Course, Defense Acquisition University, Fort Belvoir, VA.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. April 1993 – July 1996, DSP & DMSP Crew Commander and Chief, DSP Spacecraft Engineering; 1<sup>st</sup> Space Operations Squadron, Schriever AFB, CO.
2. July 1996 – June 1998, Chief, Commanders Action Group and FDS Operations Manager; SBIRS Program Office, Los Angeles AFB, CA.
3. June 1998 – June 2000, Air Force Intern; Directorate of Space and Nuclear Deterrence, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force and Force Management Policy, Office of the Secretary of Defense; Pentagon, Washington, DC.
4. June 2000 – May 2004, Senior Flight Commander; Chief, Production Division; and Director of Engineering; Air Force Communications Support Facility, White Sands Missile Range, Las Cruces, NM.
5. May 2004 – June 2005, Student, Air Force Institute of Technology; Wright-Patterson AFB, OH.

6. June 2005 – May 2008, MILSATCOM Program Element Monitor and Chief, Congressional & Media Affairs; Space Acquisition Directorate, Office of the Under Secretary of the Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, DC.
7. June 2008 – July 2010, Commander, Enterprise Operations Squadron; Mission Operations Directorate, National Reconnaissance Office, Chantilly, VA.
8. August 2010 – June 2011, Student, National War College; Ft. McNair, Washington, DC.
9. June 2011 – July 2013, Chief, Space/C4 Branch and Space Lead; Joint Chiefs of Staff (J8), Pentagon, Washington, DC.
10. July 2013 – July 2015, Senior Materiel Leader, Global Positioning System User Equipment Division, Global Positioning Systems Directorate, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, CA.
11. July 2015 – June 2019, Director, Global Positioning Systems Directorate, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, CA.
12. October 2018 – June 2019, Program Executive Officer for Space Production, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, CA.
13. July 2019 – present, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Logistics; Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, Pentagon, Washington, DC.

### **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

June 2008 – July 2010, Commander, Enterprise Operations Squadron; National Reconnaissance Office, Chantilly, VA., as a lieutenant colonel

June 2011 – July 2013, Chief, Space/C4 Branch and Space Lead; Joint Chiefs of Staff (J8), Washington, DC., as a lieutenant colonel and colonel

July 2019 – present, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Logistics; Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition & Sustainment, Pentagon, Washington, DC., as a brigadier general

### **MAJOR MILITARY DECORATIONS**

Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster

Defense Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Humanitarian Service Medal

Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal

Air & Space Campaign Medal

### **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

1997 Space and Missile Systems Center Company Grade Officer of the Year

1998 Forrest S. McCartney Award for Outstanding Program Management, Air Force Association

2009 National Citation of Honor, Air Force Association

2010 Director's Circle Award for Leadership, National Reconnaissance Office

2010 Medal for Superior Service (Gold), National Reconnaissance Office

### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant February 17, 1993

First Lieutenant February 17, 1995

Captain February 17, 1997

Major June 1, 2003

Lieutenant Colonel September 1, 2007

Colonel June 1, 2012

Brigadier General April 2, 2019

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