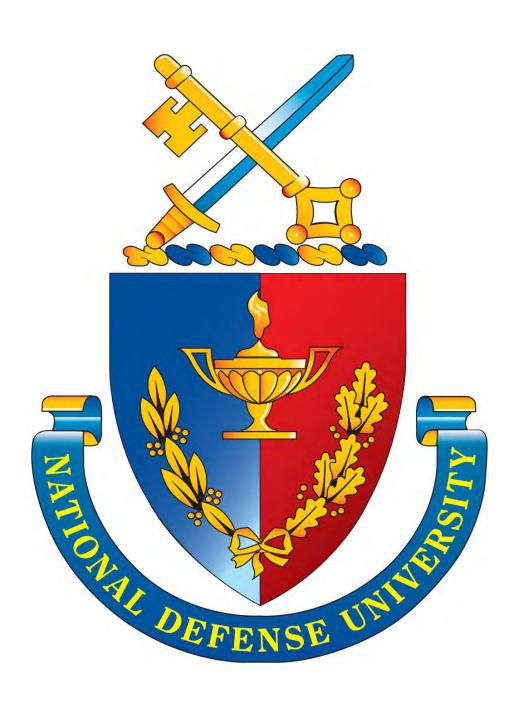
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## **NDU PRESIDENT**



Lieutenant General Mike Plehn is the 17<sup>th</sup> President of the National Defense University. As President of NDU, he oversees its five component colleges that offer graduate-level degrees and certifications in joint professional military education to over 2,000 U.S. military officers, civilian government officials, international military officers and industry partners annually.

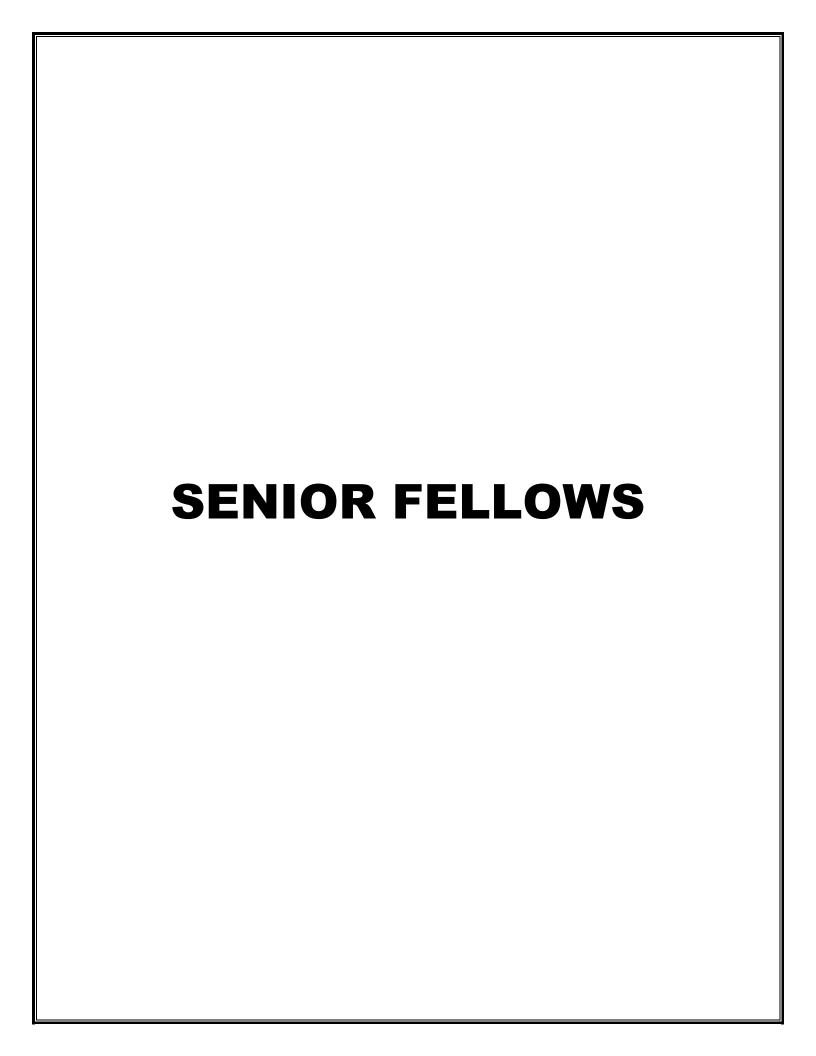
Raised in an Army family, he graduated from Miami Southridge Senior High School in 1983 and attended the U.S. Air Force Academy Preparatory School in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy with Military Distinction and a degree in Astronautical Engineering in 1988. He is a Distinguished Graduate of Squadron Officer School as well as the College of Naval Command and Staff, where he received a Master's Degree with Highest Distinction in National Security and Strategic Studies. He also holds a Master of Airpower Art and Science degree from the School of Advanced Airpower Studies, as well as a Master of Aerospace Science degree from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

Lt Gen Plehn has extensive experience in joint, interagency, and special operations, including: Middle East Policy in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization, and four tours at the Combatant Command level to include U.S. European Command, U.S. Central Command, and twice at U.S. Southern Command, where he was most recently the Military Deputy Commander. He also served on the Air Staff in Strategy and Policy and as the speechwriter to the Vice Chief of Staff of the Air Force.

Lt Gen Plehn is a master navigator with 2,200 flight hours in the AC-130H, AC-130U, U-28, MQ-1B, MQ-9, and F-16D. He has more than 350 combat hours supporting operations over Bosnia, Somalia, Haiti, Afghanistan, and Iraq. He has commanded special operations units at the squadron, group, and wing levels, and was formerly the Deputy Commander of Air Force Special Operations Command.

His awards and decorations include the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal with 2 oak leaf clusters, the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with 3 oak leaf clusters, Air Medal with 2 oak leaf clusters, Aerial Achievement Medal with 4 oak leaf clusters, Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster, the Gallant Unit Citation, and the Medal for Distinguished Service to the Colombian Military Forces.

An Eagle Scout and avid reader, he speaks passable Spanish. In their quiet time, Mike and his wife enjoy watching ice hockey and providing staff assistance to their two cats.



#### Admiral Kurt W. Tidd, USN (Ret.)

Admiral Kurt Tidd retired after a forty-year Navy career, settling in the Florida Keys and is pursuing new interests and adventures.

He is the son of a destroyerman, brown water sailor, and career Surface Warfare Officer Vice Admiral Emmett H. Tidd and Margaret P. "Muggs" Tidd, both proud Texans of the Greatest Generation; brother of the 25th Naval Chief of Chaplains, Rear Admiral Mark L. Tidd, CHC, USN (Ret.); husband of career military physician Eileen S. Tidd, MD, MPH, FACP; and rightfully proud



father of two strong and talented daughters. He is a 1974 graduate of Porter Gaud School in Charleston, South Carolina, a 1978 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, and has a Masters in political science from the University of Bordeaux, as a 1984 Olmsted Foundation Scholar.

Admiral Kurt Tidd proudly served with the incredibly talented and professional women and men of all branches of the Armed Forces, the Foreign Service, Federal Law Enforcement officers, and the Intelligence Community. He commanded the destroyer USS ARTHUR W. RADFORD (DD 968), Maritime Task Force 55 and Destroyer Squadron 50, EISENHOWER Carrier Strike Group/CSG EIGHT, U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command/U.S. Fourth Fleet, and military operations in Latin America and the Caribbean as the Geographic Combatant Commander of U.S. Southern Command. He served in a variety of Navy, joint, and interagency staffs, including for the Secretary of the Navy, the Chief of Naval Operations, the Joint Staff, and the National Security Council.

Currently Admiral Tidd supports a variety of benevolent organizations and interests. He is the Chairman of the Board at the Olmsted Foundation, a private non-profit organization that provides two years of postgraduate studies at foreign universities in a foreign language for a select number of future military leaders. He is also a Senior Fellow at National Defense University's CAPSTONE/KEYSTONE/PINNACLE program, mentoring Flag and General Officers and Senior Enlisted Leaders. He recently joined the Advisory Board of the Spirit of America Foundation. Admiral Tidd volunteers his time to support a number of worthwhile causes, including the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, the Coral Restoration Foundation, and Key Dives of Islamorada, Florida's Reef Clean Up activities. He preserves adequate time to indulge passions including scuba diving, road cycling, and saltwater fishing.

current as of 16 August 2019



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



## Former Command Senior Enlisted Leader United States Strategic Command



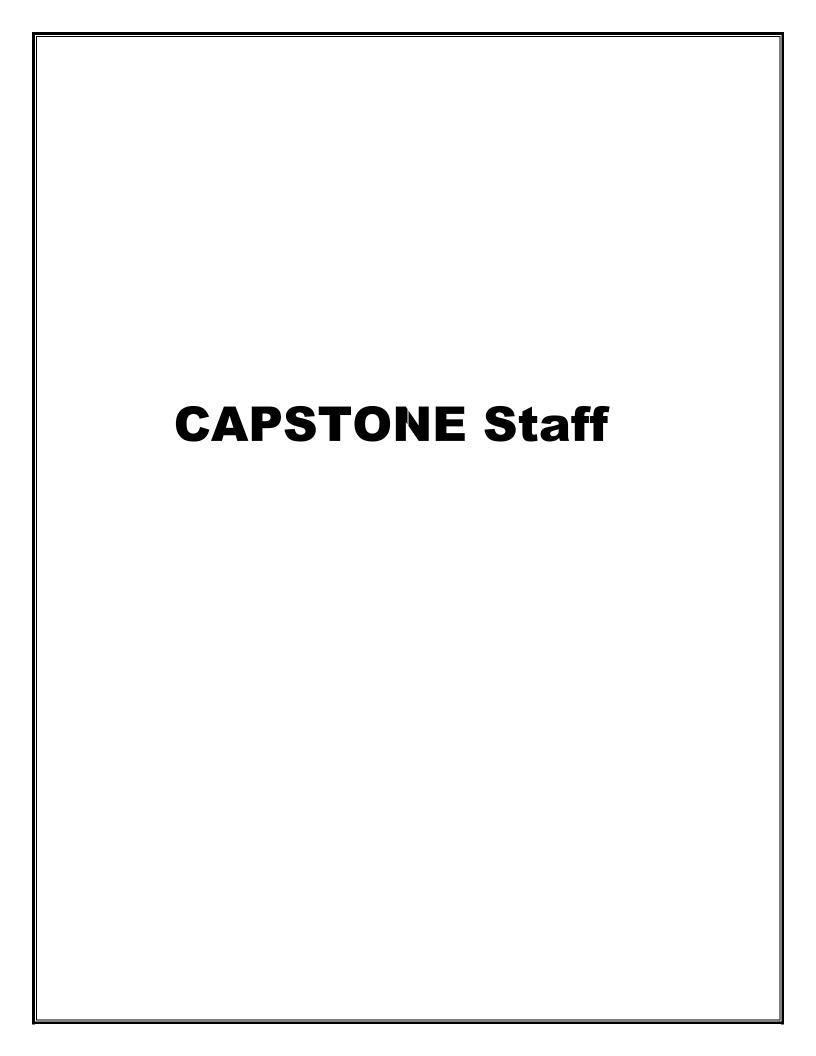
Command Sergeant Major Patrick Z. Alston is employed as a Senior Fellow for the National Defense University's Capstone and Keystone programs. He is also a Senior Consultant with Burlington Capital Corporation, a diverse investment management firm located in Omaha, Nebraska.

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."



## 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 Tresurer 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 J. 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 6th 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 4th 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.

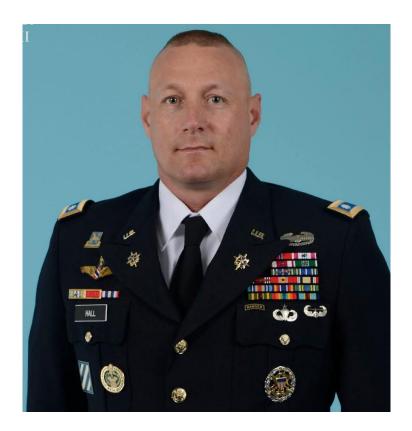


In 1997 Bonnie received orders to MCB, Camp Lejeune, NC as the Operations Officer, Provost Marshal's Office. She simultaneously served as the Commanding Officer, Military Police Company (330+ Marines) during this tour.

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 the Deputy Director of 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 Master's Degree in Organizational Management from the University of Phoenix.



Deputy Director - OCONUS Planner David "Leon" Hall

Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Army (202)685-4262 david.l.hall.mil@ndu.edu

Lieutenant Colonel David "Leon" Hall is native of Roanoke, VA. He entered the United States Army in 1990 and served eleven years as an enlisted Infantryman. After serving as the Fort Leonard Wood Drill Sergeant of the Year, he attended Officer Candidate School where he earned his commission as the Distinguished Honor Graduate and Leadership Award recipient.

He is currently a strategic intelligence officer but most of his thirty-year career has been spent as an infantryman and tactical intelligence officer. He has had two combat tours in Iraq and has served in command, staff, and other leadership positions, including chief of regional operations for the Joint Staff- J25. He served his Army War College Fellowship at Stanford University and the Hoover Institution. LTC Hall comes to Capstone from the Joint Forces Staff College where he served as an assistant professor. He holds a Master of Business Administration as well as a Master of Science in Strategic Intelligence.

LTC Hall is married to Kannary Hall, has a daughter Asheley age 27, and a son Cameron age 5.

#### Lieutenant Colonel Anthony C. Triviso Deputy Director - DC Scheduler



Lieutenant Colonel Triviso graduated and Commissioned in May 2002 from the United States Naval Academy.

An Infantry Officer, he has served two combat tours in Iraq and one in Afghanistan; supported humanitarian assistance operations in Haiti, and has planned and conducted multiple exercises with allied partners in Africa, Europe, and Southwest Asia.

He has served in multiple command, staff, and leadership billets in both tactical and operational commands to include several infantry battalions and Current Operations at Marine Corps Forces Command. He is also a distinguished honor graduate of Command and Staff.

LtCol Triviso currently serves as the Deputy Director – DC Scheduling for Capstone.

He is married to the former Polly Denkova, and they have three children.



### 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.

## Wheeler, Jr. Clifford E. (Cliff) Program Manager, Keystone & Pinnacle, clifford.wheeler.civ@ndu.edu, 202-685-4250

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.

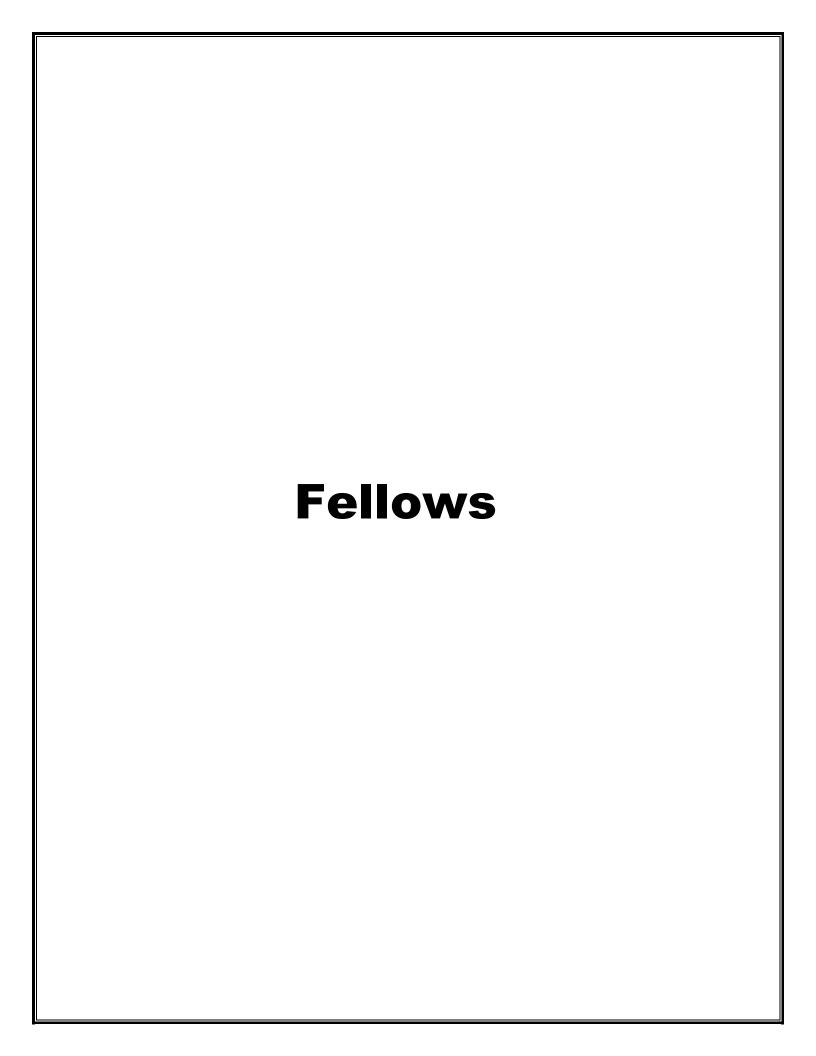
#### Megan Streit Office Manager Capstone, Keystone, Pinnacle



Megan Streit is a native of Ames, Iowa. She graduated from Drake University in 2015 with degrees in History and International Relations. She then taught English in Ukraine, Rome, and Vladivostok.

Currently, Megan is a PhD candidate at the University of Connecticut where she studies diplomatic history and human rights. Her dissertation explores the trilateral diplomacy leading to the denuclearization of Ukraine in 1994. Before joining NDU, Megan was a 2020 Boren Fellow in Ukraine where she continued her Russian language studies and conducted archival research. Additionally, she has studied German, Spanish, Italian, French, Ukrainian, and is currently in an intensive Azerbaijani course supported by the Department of State's Critical Language Scholarship.

Megan is married to Alexander Dawson and has two dogs, Kostya and Sunny.





19th ESC Commanding General

#### **BG Steven L. Allen**

Brigadier General Steven L. Allen assumed command of the 19th Expeditionary Sustainment Command June 9, 2020. He enlisted in the United States Army Reserve in 1984 while attending school and later earned his commission as an Infantry Officer. Brigadier General Allen graduated from the University of North Dakota with a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Industrial Technology. He earned a Master's of Science Degree in Administration from Central Michigan University, a Masters of Business Administration Degree from the Florida Institute of Technology and a Masters of Strategic Studies Degree from the United States Army War College.

Brigadier General Allen's command assignments include the Headquarters and Alpha Company, 210th Forward Support Battalion 10th Mountain Division from November 1994 to April 1996. Commander of the 402D Brigade Support Battalion, 5th Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division (Stryker Brigade Combat Team) Fort Lewis, Washington, from February 2007 to September 2010 which included a deployment to Afghanistan, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Commander of the 407th Army Field Support Brigade, Fort Hood, Texas from July 2012 through July 2014.

Key staff assignments include: 1st Infantry Division at Ft. Riley as the 1st Brigade Combat Team S4 in 2002. Support Operations Officer in the 101st Forward Support Battalion with a deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom from September 2003 to September 2004. He became the Forward Support Battalion Executive Officer after his deployment. From June 2005 to 2007, he was an instructor and writer at the Command and General Staff College. I Corps G4 Chief of Supply and Services at Joint Base Lewis-McChord from September 2010 to June 2011. Director of Logistics J4 at United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) from August 2014 to August 2017. Army Sustainment Command Chief of Staff from September 2017 to August 2019. Brigadier General Allen served as the Deputy Commanding General for Army Sustainment Command in September 2019 to May 2020.

His military education includes the Infantry Officer Basic Course, Quartermaster Officer Advanced Course, Combined Arms Service Staff School, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and the U.S. Army War College.

BG Allen's awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit(1 Oak Leaf Cluster), Bronze Star Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Meritorious Service Medal (4 Oak Leaf Clusters), Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge, Army Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Parachute Rigger Badge and the German Parachutist Badge.

BG Allen and his wife Janelle have two children and two grandchildren.

As of: June 2021

## Brigadier General Trevor Bredenkamp Chief Legislative Liaison



Brigadier General Bredenkamp assumed duties as the Army Chief of Legislative Liaison in July 2021. He most recently served as the Deputy Commanding General (Operations) for Eighth Army in the Republic of Korea.

Brigadier General Bredenkamp grew up in an Air Force family, and received his commission in 1992 from the United States Military Academy.

His previous command assignments include the United Nations Command/Eighth Army Honor Guard Company; A Company, 1st

Battalion, 506th Infantry; 2nd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Fort Bragg, North Carolina and deployed as part of OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM; Deputy Commander, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division; Commander, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, and Deputy Commander-Support, 3rd Infantry Division at Fort Stewart, Georgia and Commander of Train, Advise, Assist Command-South and Kandahar Airfield while deployed as part of OPERATION FREEDOM's SENTINEL.

His previous staff and special assignments include: Platoon Leader, Scout Platoon Leader, Battalion S-1 in the 3rd Battalion, 505 Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division. Platoon/Company/Battalion Observer/Controller at the Joint Readiness Training Center; G3 Training Officer, 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, and deployed as part of OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM; Operations Officer, 2nd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment; Operations Officer, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, and deployed as part of OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM; Aide-de-Camp to the Commander, US Army Forces Command and subsequently the Commander, International Security Assistance Force, North Atlantic Treaty Organization; Deputy Director, Soldier for Life, Executive Officer to the Secretary of the Army; and the Chief, Programs Division, Office of the Chief, Legislative Liaison, Office of the Secretary of the Army.

BG Bredenkamp's education includes a Bachelor of Science in Automotive Engineering from the United States Military Academy, a Master of Liberal Arts from Louisiana State University, and a Master of National Security and Strategic Studies. His military education includes the Infantry Officer Basic and Advance Courses and is a graduate of the Command and General Staff College and the National War College. He is also a graduate of the MIT Seminar XXI National Securities Studies Program.

He has been married to MG Michele Bredenkamp for more than 25 years and they are the proud parents of two wonderful children.

His awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, four Legions of Merit, four Bronze Stars, six Meritorious Service Medals, five Army Commendations, and five Army Achievement Medals. He is authorized to wear the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Combat Action Badge, the Expert Infantryman Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Ranger Tab, and the Army Staff Identification Badge.



## **BIOGRAPHY**



#### UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

#### **BRIGADIER GENERAL LARRY R. BROADWELL**

Brig. Gen. Larry Broadwell is the Deputy Director for Operations, Joint Staff, J3. He is responsible for leading Operations Team Five in the National Military Command Center and overseeing worldwide military operations and associated activities with national security impacts.

General Broadwell received his commission in March 1996 from Officer Training School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. He is a graduate of both Undergraduate Navigator Training, and Undergraduate Pilot Training serving as a rated officer in the C-130E, F-15C, and F-22. He is a veteran of Operations JOINT GUARD, JOINT FORGE, DESERT FOX, SOUTHERN WATCH, NOBLE EAGLE, and IRAQI FREEDOM. Prior to his current position, he served as Commander, 380th Air Expeditionary Wing, Al Dhafra Air Base, United Arab Emirates.

#### **EDUCATION**

1994 Bachelor of Science, Mathematics, Jacksonville St. University, Jacksonville, Ala.

2003 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala. 2004 Masters of Aerospace Science, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Fla.

2008 Army Command and General Staff College, Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.

2009 Masters of Airpower Art and Science, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala. 2010 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.



- 1. March 1996–July 1997, Student Navigator, VT-4, Pensacola Naval Air Station Fla. and 562nd Flying Training Squadron, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas
- 2. July1997-February 1999, C-130E Navigator, 41st Airlift Squadron, Pope AFB, N.C.
- 3. February 1999-April 2000, Student Pilot, 37th FTS and 50th FTS, Columbus AFB, Miss.
- 4. April 2000-May 2001, F-15C Student Pilot, 2nd Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
- 5. May 2001-February 2004, Flight Commander, F-15C Mission Commander, 94th FS, Langley AFB, Va.
- 6. February 2004–June 2007, Assistant Director of Operations, F-15C Instructor Pilot, 1st FS & 325th Operations Support Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
- 7. June 2007–June 2008, Student, Army Command and General Staff College, Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.
- 8. June 2008-July 2009, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 9. July 2009–July 2010, Deputy Division Chief, United States Forces-Iraq / J-5 Strategy, Baghdad, Iraq 10. July 2010–November 2010, F-22 Student Pilot, 43rd FS, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
- 11. November 2010–February 2011, Assistant Director of Operations, 49th OSS, Holloman AFB, N.M.
- 12. February 2011–October 2011, Director of Operations, 7th FS, Holloman AFB, N.M.
- 13. October 2011-April 2013, Commander, 7th FS, Holloman AFB, N.M.
- 14. April 2013-June 2013, Student, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk NAS, Va.



- 15. June 2013-July 2014, Executive Officer to Commander, Air Combat Command, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
- 16. July 2014-June 2016, Commander, 1st Operations Group, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
- 17. July 2016-April 2018, Commander, 9th Reconnaissance Wing, Beale AFB, Calif.
- 18. April 2018-June 2020, Executive Officer to the Chief of Staff, United States Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
- 19. June 2020—June 2021, Commander, 380th Air Expeditionary Wing, Al Dhafra Air Base, United Arab Emirates
- 20. June 2021—Present, Deputy Director for Operations, Joint Staff, J-3

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

July 2009–July 2010, Deputy Division Chief, United States Forces-Iraq / J-5 Strategy, Baghdad, Iraq, as a major, then lieutenant colonel

June 2021—Present, Deputy Director for Operations, Joint Staff, J3, as a brigadier general

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command pilot

Flight Hours: 2,400 including 25 combat hours

Aircraft flown: C-130E, T-38A, F-15C, F-15D, F-22, RQ-4

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

Legion of Merit with three oak leaf clusters

Bronze Star Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air Medal

Aerial Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

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

Second Lieutenant March 15, 1996 First Lieutenant March 15, 1998 Captain March 15, 2000 Major March 1, 2006 Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2010 Colonel Oct. 1, 2014 Brigadier General June 2, 2020

(Current as of July 2021)



## Rear Admiral Scott M. Brown

### Director, Fleet Maintenance, U.S. Pacific Fleet



Rear Adm. Scott Brown is a second generation naval officer who joined the Navy through the Nuclear Propulsion Officer Candidate Program. He is a 1991 graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute where he achieved a Bachelor of Science in Engineering Physics. He also holds a Master of Business Administration from the University at Albany, and a Master of Science in Nuclear Engineering and an engineer degree in nuclear engineering, both from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Brown served as a nuclear trained surface warfare officer for seven years with tours as machinery division officer and chemistry and radiological controls assistant aboard USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71), and as plant evaluation officer at Naval Nuclear Power Training Unit, Ballston Spa where he supervised propulsion plant operational

performance and maintenance.

In July 1998, he was selected for lateral transfer to the Engineering Duty Officer (EDO) community, serving as a nuclear qualified EDO (EDO-N). He served aboard USS Dwight D Eisenhower (CVN 69) as reactor electrical assistant during the ship's Refueling Complex Overhaul. Brown then completed tours at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery Maine, supervising and managing depot level submarine maintenance, and U.S. Fleet Forces Command Ship Maintenance Directorate (N43) as carrier maintenance branch head and Norfolk Naval Shipyard Program Manager. He then served as reactor officer aboard USS Theodore Roosevelt, leading the ship through a combat deployment and refueling overhaul; and as the production resources officer for Norfolk Naval Shipyard. He served as Norfolk Naval Shipyard's 107th Shipyard commander, then executive assistant to Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command. Brown assumed his duties as director, Fleet Maintenance, U.S. Pacific Fleet, in July 2019. His decorations include the Legion of Merit (two awards), Navy Meritorious Service Medal (three awards),

Navy Commendation Medal (four awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (two awards), Armed Forces Service Medal (two awards) and various unit and campaign awards.



## **Rear Admiral Anthony Carullo**

### Director, Plans and Operations, U.S. Naval Forces Europe -SIXTHFLT/Deputy Commander, SIXTH Fleet/Commander, Submarine Group EIGHT



Rear Adm. Anthony Carullo is a native of Quincy,
Massachusetts, and was raised in Central Florida. He is a 1991
graduate of Auburn University with a Bachelor of Science in
Electrical Engineering under the Nuclear Enlisted
Commissioning Program. He holds a Master of Science in
Management from Troy University, and he is a fellow of the
Massachusetts Institute of Technology Seminar XXI. He enlisted
in the Navy in 1986.

His operational assignments include command of Task Force 69 in Naples, Italy, and USS Greeneville (SSN 772) in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. He also served aboard USS Cincinnati (SSN 693) and USS Greeneville (SSN 772) as the division officer; USS Philadelphia (SSN 690) as an engineer officer; and USS Wyoming (SSBN 742) (GOLD) as the executive officer.

His staff assignments included deputy director for the Strategic

Targeting and Nuclear Mission Planning (J5N); commander, U.S. Strategic Command (CDRUSSTRATCOM); duty as deputy commander and chief of staff for the Commander of Submarine Force U.S. Pacific Fleet; as well as the director of maritime operations, special assistant (personnel policy and training) to the director of the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program; executive assistant to the Director of Undersea Warfare (OPNAV N97); executive assistant for Strategic Strike in the Office of the Secretary of Defense; a junior member of the Nuclear Propulsion Examining Board on the staff of the Commander, U. S. Fleet Forces Command; and an instructor at the Naval Nuclear Power Training Command. In 2005 and 2009, he completed the submarine command course.

He currently serves as director of maritime operations (CNE-CNA), deputy commander, U.S. 6th Fleet and Commander, Submarine Group 8, responsible for the operational oversight and readiness management of forward deployed maritime forces in support of the Commander, U.S. European Command and Commander, U.S. Africa Command.

His awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal (two awards), Legion of Merit (three awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (four awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (three awards), and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (four awards), as well as many unit and campaign awards.



#### Rear Admiral Robert Chadwick, II COMMANDER, CARRIER STRIKE GROUP NINE

Rear Adm. Robb Chadwick is a native of Bethesda, Maryland and was raised in a Navy Family. He is a 1991 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. Chadwick earned a master's degree in National Security Affairs, Middle Eastern Studies from the Naval Postgraduate School,



and a master's degree in National Security Strategy from the National War College.

Chadwick began his career at sea aboard USS Barry (DDG 52) as gunnery officer and then navigator. Follow-on sea tours included duty as weapons officer and combat systems officer onboard USS Vicksburg (CG 69), executive officer onboard USS Philippine Sea (CG 58), and chief staff officer, Destroyer Squadron 24 in Mayport, Florida. Chadwick assumed command of USS Roosevelt (DDG 80) in November 2009. During his command tour, Roosevelt deployed in support of operations off the east coast of Africa and was awarded the Battle "E" for 2010 and 2011. In 2015, he commanded Destroyer Squadron 21, completing a deployment to the 7th Fleet with USS John C. Stennis Carrier Strike Group.

Ashore assignments included the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California; duty as flag aide to Director, Surface Warfare Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (N76); flag aide to Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command; strategic planner at U.S. Southern Command in Miami, Florida; deputy executive assistant to the Vice Chief of Naval Operations; the National War College in Washington, District of Columbia; director, Commander's Action Group, Commander Naval Surface Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet; and Commandant of Midshipmen at the U.S. Naval Academy. Most recently, Chadwick served as Commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Commander, Naval Surface Group Mid-Pacific.

He holds various decorations and awards, including the Legion of Merit (two awards); Defense Meritorious Service Medal; Meritorious Service Medal (six awards); Naval and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (four awards); Joint Service Achievement Medal; and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal. He was awarded the 2011 Vice Admiral James Bond Stockdale Award for Inspirational Leadership.



#### Rear Admiral Robert Gaucher Commander, Submarine Group 9 Commander Task Group 114.3

Rear Adm. Gaucher is a native of Pittsfield, Massachusetts. He is a 1991 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy where he received a Bachelor of Science in Systems Engineering. He also holds a Master of Science in Engineering Management from the University of Central Florida. In addition, he has completed the Executive Business Course in Monterey, California, and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Center for International Studies Seminar XXI.

Gaucher's operational assignments include service in both fast attack and ballistic missile submarines including service as division officer, USS Flying Fish (SSN-673), navigator/operations officer, USS Oklahoma City (SSN-723), executive officer, USS Maryland (SSBN-738) (BLUE), commanding officer, USS City of Corpus Christi, and commodore, Submarine Development Squadron Five.

During these tours he completed three strategic deterrent patrols as well as deployments to the Arctic, Caribbean, North Atlantic, and Mediterranean.

Gaucher's staff assignments include instructor duty at Naval Nuclear Power School; flag aide for the Commander Submarine Force; Maritime Operations branch head at U. S. Pacific Command; director, Operational Support Branch, Chief of Naval Operations staff; chief of staff, Commander Submarine Forces Atlantic.

During his command tour, USS City of Corpus Christi completed two Western Pacific mission cycles, and a homeport change to Pearl Harbor, Hawaii while earning two Meritorious Unit Commendations and the Submarine Squadron 15 Battle Efficiency 'E'. While serving in major command Development Squadron Five he was responsible for the Seawolf class submarines, Unmanned Undersea Vehicle Squadron One, and several special project ocean engineering and research and development detachments. DEVRON Five earned the Navy Unit Commendation during his tour.

RDML Gaucher served as the director, Maritime Headquarters (N03), U.S. Pacific Fleet before assuming command of Commander, Submarine Group 9/Task Group 114.3.









#### UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

#### **BRIGADIER GENERAL RICHARD W. GIBBS**

Brigadier General Richard W. Gibbs is the Commander. Ogden Air Logistics Complex, Hill Air Force Base, Utah. As commander, he leads a team of more than 8,500 personnel performing depot maintenance, repair, overhaul, and modification of the A-10, C-130, T-38, F-16, F-22, F-35, and the Minuteman III Intercontinental Ballistic Missile system. The complex also oversees the national-level airpower reservoir for aircraft storage, reclamation, regeneration, and disposal at Davis-Monthan AFB, Arizona. Additionally, the complex produces aerospace commodities that include electronics, avionics, instruments, power systems, and software for the assigned weapon systems, and is the landing gear center of excellence for the Air Force. His responsibilities extend to operating locations in Japan, Colorado, Nebraska, Texas, California, Florida, Wyoming, North Dakota, and Montana. The Ogden Air Logistics Complex directly supports a global supply chain enabling Department of Defense and allied combat operations.

General Gibbs was commissioned into the Air Force through the Reserve Officer Training Corps in 1993. He has served in a variety of organizations providing maintenance leadership for fighter, bomber, airlift and aeromedical aircraft. General Gibbs also served as Director of the Aircraft



and Munitions Maintenance Officer Courses, providing leadership and course oversight for all maintenance officer training. His staff assignments include Pentagon tours as an Air Force intern in the Joint Staff's Requirements and Acquisitions Division (J-8) and Headquarters Air Staff's Weapons Systems Division (A-4), as well as tours at a deployed location in the Maintenance Operations Division of U.S. Air Forces Central Command—Forward (A-4) and at Air Force Global Strike Command as Deputy Director of Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection (A-4). General Gibbs has commanded at the squadron, group and wing levels.

Prior to his current assignment, he served as Director of Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois.

#### **EDUCATION**

1993 Bachelor of Science degree in business administration, California State University at Long Beach, Long Beach, Calif.

1994 Aircraft Maintenance Officers Course, Sheppard AFB, Texas

1997 Master of Business Administration degree in aviation (with distinction), Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, by correspondence

1997 Acquisition/Logistics Certification, Level I

2000 Squadron Officer School, non-resident and in-residence programs, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2002 Masters of Arts degree in organizational management, George Washington University, by correspondence

2005 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2007 Master of Arts degree in national security and strategic studies, Naval War College (JPME, Phase I), Newport, R I

2011 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2013 Master of Arts degree in strategic studies, Air War College (JPME, Phase II), Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2018 Strategic Leadership Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Colorado Springs, Col.

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1. January 1994 May 1997, F-15 Squadron Maintenance/Logistics Test Officer; then, Avionics Flight Commander, Edwards AFB, Calif.
- 2. May 1997 May 2000, Sortie Generation Flight Commander for the 44th Fighter Squadron; then, Assistant Wing Installation Deployment Officer, Kadena Air Base, Japan
- 3. June 2000 July 2000, Student, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 4. August 2000 May 2002, Staff Officer, Weapons Systems Division, Directorate of Maintenance, Headquarters U.S. Air Force; then, Action Officer, Requirements and Acquisitions Division, Directorate for Force Structure, Resources, and Assessments (J8), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Wash. D.C.
- 5. June 2002 July 2004, Maintenance Operations Officer, 37th Airlift Squadron and 86th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Ramstein AB, Germany
- 6. July 2004 July 2006, Director, Aircraft and Munitions Maintenance Officer Courses, 360th Training Squadron, Sheppard AFB, Tex.
- 7. July 2006 June 2007, Student, College of Naval Command and Staff, Naval War College, Naval Station Newport, R.I.
- 8. July 2007 June 2009, Commander, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Whiteman AFB, Mo. (February 2009 May 2009, Commander, 36th Expeditionary Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Andersen AFB, Guam)
- 9. June 2009 July 2010, Commander, 509th Maintenance Squadron, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
- 10. July 2010 July 2012, Deputy Commander, 86th Maintenance Group, Ramstein AB, Germany (January 2012 June 2012, Chief, Maintenance Operations Division, Directorate for Logistics (A4), U.S. Air Forces Central Command (Forward), Al Udeid AB, Qatar)
- 11. July 2012 June 2013, Student, Air War College, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 12. July 2013 July 2016, Commander 7th Maintenance Group, Dyess AFB, Texas
- 13. July 2016 June 2017, Deputy Director, Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection, Headquarters Air Force Global Strike Command, Barksdale AFB, La.
- 14. June 2017 June 2019, Commander 377th Air Base Wing, Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M.
- 15. June 2019 June 2021, Director of Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, III.
- 15. July 2021 Present, Commander, Ogden Air Logistics Complex, Hill Air Force Base, Utah

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

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters
Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster

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

Second Lieutenant October 26, 1993 First Lieutenant October 26, 1995 Captain October 26, 1997 Major March 1, 2004 Lieutenant Colonel February 1, 2009 Colonel October 1, 2013 Brigadier General September 2, 2019

(Current as of July 2021)



## **BIOGRAPHY**



## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

#### **BRIGADIER GENERAL MATTHEW W. HIGER**

Brigadier General Matthew W. Higer is the Commander, 412th Test Wing, Edwards Air Force Base, California. He leads a wing of nearly 8,000 personnel in the developmental test and evaluation of the KC-46, KC-135, KC-10, C-17, C-5, F-35, F-22, F-16, B-21, B-1, B-2, B-52, eT-7A, RQ-4 and emerging technologies. Additionally, General Higer is the Installation Commander responsible for base operations support for more than 19,500 active duty, reserve, civil service and defense industrial base contractors at Edwards, the second largest base in the U.S. Air Force, and Air Force Plant 42 in Palmdale, California.

General Higer earned his commission in 1993 from the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps at the University of Southern California. He is a Distinguished Graduate of the United States Army War College, the United States Naval Postgraduate School, the United States Air Force Squadron Officer School, and the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps. He holds a Level 3 Acquisition Professional Development Program certification in Program Management and Test and Evaluation. General Higer was previously the Commandant of the United States Air Force Test Pilot School, Vice Commander of the 96th Test Wing and commanded two squadrons.



General Higer is a command pilot with more than 3,000 military flight hours in 40 aircraft types as an experimental test pilot, instructor pilot, and evaluator pilot. His military flight experience includes combat missions during Operation SOUTHERN WATCH.

#### **EDUCATION**

1993 Bachelor of Science, Aerospace Engineering, University of Southern California 1994 Master of Science, Aerospace Engineering, University of Southern California 2007 Master of Business Administration, United States Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif. 2015 Master of Strategic Studies, United States Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1. June 1994 August 1995, Student, Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training, Sheppard AFB, Texas
- 2. August 1995 August 1996, Student, F-16 Flying Training Unit, Luke AFB, Ariz.
- 3. October 1996 April 1998, F-16 Flight Lead, 36th Fighter Squadron, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea

- 4. April 1998 January 2001, F-16 Evaluator Pilot, 18th Fighter Squadron, Eielson AFB, Alaska
- 5. February 2001 December 2002, Flight Commander, 310th Fighter Squadron, Luke AFB, Ariz.
- 6. January 2003 December 2003, Student, USAF Test Pilot School, Edwards AFB, Calif.
- 7. January 2004 June 2006, Assistant Director of Operations, 40th Flight Test Squadron, Eglin AFB, Fla.
- 8. July 2006 December 2007, Student, United States Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.
- 9. November 2009 July 2014, various duties (data masked)
- 10. July 2014 June 2015, Student, United States Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.
- 11. July 2015 July 2017, Vice Commander, 96th Test Wing, Eglin AFB, Fla.
- 12. July 2017 July 2018, Commandant, US Air Force Test Pilot School, Edwards AFB, Calif.
- 13. July 2018 February 2020, various duties (data masked)
- 14. February 2020 present, Commander, 412th Test Wing, Edwards AFB, Calif.

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

1. December 2007 - October 2009, USAF Requirements Officer, F-35 Joint Program Office, Arlington, Va. as a lieutenant colonel

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: more than 3,000 hours

Aircraft flown: F-35A, F-16 A/C/CM, C-12, SGS-2-33, T-38, T-37 and 35 other aircraft

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

Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster
Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Aerial Achievement Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Army Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

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

Second Lieutenant May 7, 1993 First Lieutenant December 2, 1995 Captain December 2, 1997 Major March 1, 2004 Lieutenant Colonel February 1, 2009 Colonel May 1, 2015 Brigadier General December 2, 2020

(Current as of December 2020)



#### Major General DONN H. HILL

Deputy Commanding General, United States Army Combined Arms
Center/Provost, Army University/Deputy Commandant,
United States Army Command and General Staff College
Lewis and Clark Center
100 Stimson Ave
Fort Leavenworth, Kansas 66027-6900
Since: July 2020



#### SOURCE OF COMMISSIONED SERVICE ROTC

#### **EDUCATIONAL DEGREES**

University of Kentucky – BA – History United States Army Command and General Staff College – MMAS – General Studies United States Army War College – MS – Strategic Studies

#### **MILITARY SCHOOLS ATTENDED**

Infantry Officer Basic and Advanced Courses United States Army Command and General Staff College United States Army War College

#### FOREIGN LANGUAGE(S) None recorded

<b>PROMOTIONS</b>	DATE OF APPOINTMENT
2LT	31 May 90
1LT	31 May 92
CPT	1 Jul 94
MAJ	1 Feb 01
LTC	1 Dec 06
COL	1 May 12
BG	2 Aug 18
MG	2 May 21

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>
Jul 20	Present	Deputy Commanding General, United States Army Combined Arms Center/Provost, Army
		University/Deputy Commandant, United States Army Command and General Staff College,
		Fort Leavenworth, Kansas
Jan 18	Jun 20	Commander, 2d Security Force Assistance Brigade, Pope Army Airfield, North Carolina and
		OPERATION FREEDOM'S SENTINEL, Afghanistan
May 17	Jan 18	Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations, XVIII Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg, North Carolina and
		OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE, Iraq
Jul 16	May 17	Chief of Staff, 3d Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia
Jun 14	Jun 16	Commander, 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, United States Army
		Alaska, Fort Wainwright, Alaska
Jul 13	Jun 14	Student, United States Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania
May 12	Jul 13	Deputy Commander, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia and OPERATION
		ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan
Jun 09	Dec 11	Commander, 2d Battalion, 506th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne

		Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Kentucky and OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM,		
		Afghanistan		
Aug 07 N	May 09	Deputy Commander, 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division (Light), Fort		
C	•	Polk, Louisiana and OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq		
Jul 05 A	Aug 07	Strategic Counter Terrorist Operations Officer, J-35, United States Special Operations		
	C	Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida		
Jun 02 J	ul 05			
		Georgia and OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq and OPERATION ENDURING		
		FREEDOM, Afghanistan		
Jul 01 N	May 02	Student, United States Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas		
Oct 00 J	[ul 01	Liaison Officer, 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Air Field, Georgia		
Feb 99 (	Oct 00	Commander, A Company, 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Air Field,		
		Georgia		
	an 99	Assistant Operations/Training Officer, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia		
Nov 95 N	Nov 97	7 Commander, D Company, 1st Battalion, 506th Infantry Regiment, 2d Infantry Division, Eighth		
		United States Army, Republic of Korea		
May 95 N	Nov 95	5 Logistics Officer, 1st Battalion, 506th Infantry Regiment, 2d Infantry Division, Eighth United		
		States Army, Republic of Korea		
	Apr 95			
Jul 93 S	Sep 94			
		Fort Lewis, Washington		
	[ul 93			
Apr 92 I	Dec 92			
		Fort Ord, California		
Mar 91 N	Mar 92	Platoon Leader, C Company, 5th Battalion, 20th Infantry (Mechanized), Eighth United States		
		Army, Republic of Korea		
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Strategic Counter Terrorist Operations Officer, J-35, United States  Special Operations Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida  Jul 05 - Aug 07  Major/Lieutenant  Colonel				
speciai Op	perations	s Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida Colonel		

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS Strategic Counter Terrorist Operations Officer, J-35, United States Special Operations Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida	<u>DATE</u> Jul 05 - Aug 07	<u>GRADE</u> Major/Lieutenant Colonel
SUMMARY OF OPERATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS Commander, Train Advise Assist Command-East, Resolute Support Mission, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, OPERATION	DATE Apr 19 - Dec 19	<u>GRADE</u> Brigadier General
FREEDOM'S SENTINEL, Afghanistan Commander, 2d Security Force Assistance Brigade, OPERATION FREEDOM'S SENTINEL, Afghanistan	Mar 19 - Apr 19	Brigadier General
Deputy Director, CJ3, Combined Joint Task Force-Operation Inherent	Jun 17 - Sep 17	Colonel
Resolve, OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE, Iraq Deputy Commander, 75th Ranger Regiment, OPERATION ENDLIBRIC EREEDOM. Afghanistan	Nov 12 - Feb 13	Colonel
ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan  Deputy Commander, 75th Ranger Regiment, OPERATION  ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan	Sep 12 - Oct 12	Colonel
ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan Commander, 2d Battalion, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 506th Infantry Regiment, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), OPERATION	Aug 10 - Aug 11	Lieutenant Colonel
ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan Deputy Commander, 4th Infantry Brigade, 10th Mountain Division (Light), Multi-National Division, Baghdad, OPERATION IRAQI	Nov 07 - Jan 09	Lieutenant Colonel
FREEDOM, Iraq Operations Officer, 3d Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan	Sep 04 - Jan 05	Major
Operations Officer, 3d Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment,	Dec 03 - Apr 04	Major
OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan Liaison Officer, later Operations Officer, 3d Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, OPERATION IRQAI FREEDOM, Iraq	Mar 03 - Oct 03	Major

#### US DECORATIONS AND BADGES

Legion of Merit for Combat Service

Legion of Merit (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Bronze Star Medal (with 4 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Joint Service Commendation Medal for Combat Service

Army Commendation Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Army Achievement Medal (with 4 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Combat Infantryman Badge

Expert Infantryman Badge

Master Parachutist Badge

Senior Parachutist Badge

Parachutist Badge

Air Assault Badge

Ranger Tab







#### UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

#### **BRIGADIER GENERAL JASON T. HINDS**

Brig. Gen. Jason T. Hinds is the Director of Plans, Programs, and Analyses, U.S. Air Forces in Europe-Air Forces Africa, Ramstein Air Base, Germany. As Director, General Hinds leads theater engagement throughout Europe and Africa by managing unit basing, organization, and force structure. He is responsible for developing and directing the command's resource capability processes, doctrine review, strategy initiatives, and political-military affairs program, as well as overseeing command analyses and lessons learned. He is also responsible for command transformation, implementing U.S. and NATO strategy, and ensuring arms control treaty obligations are met.

Brig. Gen. Hinds received his commission from Florida State University in 1996. He was a distinguished graduate of Joint Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training at Vance Air Force Base, Oklahoma in 1997, and a distinguished graduate of F-15 Replacement Training Unit in 1998 at Tyndall AFB, Florida. He has held a variety of flying positions to include 1st Fighter Wing Commander, F-22 Fighter Squadron Commander, F-22 Instructor Pilot and Flight Examiner, F-15C Instructor pilot and Weapons Officer, and Weapons School Instructor. Additionally, he was a Legislative Fellow from 2009-2010 and graduated from the National War College in 2014. Brig. Gen. Hinds



served as the Senior Air Force Advisor to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy and Force Development, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy. Prior to his current position, the general was the Deputy Director of Operations, Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Integration and the United States Air Forces in Europe-Air Forces Africa Air Operations Center Director.

#### **EDUCATION**

1996 Bachelors of Science, Criminology, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Fla.

2002 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

2003 USAF Weapons Instructor Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2007 Air Command Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2008 Masters of Business Administration and Management, Trident University, Los Angeles, Calif.

2010 Air Force Legislative Fellowship, Washington, D.C.

2012 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2014 Masters of National Security Strategy, National War College, Washington, D.C.

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1. May 1996-September 1997, student, Joint Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training, Vance AFB, Okla.
- 2. December 1997–June 1998, student, F-15C Formal Training Unit, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
- 3. June 1998–May 2001, F-15C instructor pilot, 60th Fighter Squadron, Eglin AFB, Fla.
- 4. May 2001-December 2002, F-15C instructor pilot, academic instructor, 2nd Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
- 5. January 2003-June 2003, student, U.S. Air Force F-15C Weapons Instructor Course, Nellis AFB, Nev.
- 6. June 2003-June 2004, Chief of Weapons and Tactics, 95th Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.

- 7. June 2004-September 2006, Assistant Director of Operations, flight commander, F-15C instructor pilot, 433rd Weapons Squadron, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
- 8. September 2006–December 2006, student, F-22 Formal Training Unit, 43rd Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
- 9. December 2006–July 2009, Assistant Director of Operations, Chief of Wing Weapons and Tactics, F-22 instructor pilot, 43rd Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
- 10. July 2009-December 2010, Air Force Legislative Fellow, Office of Congressman Allen Boyd, Washington, D.C.
- 11. January 2011–March 2011, student, F-22 Formal Training Unit, 43rd Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB Fla.
- 12. April 2011–January 2012, Director of Operations, 27th Fighter Squadron, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
- 13. February 2012-June 2013, Commander, 94th Fighter Squadron, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
- 14. July 2013–June 2014, student, National War College, Ft. McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 15. July 2014–April 2016, Senior Air Force Advisor for Force Development, Office of Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, Washington, D.C.
- 16. May 2016-June 2017, Vice Commander, 57th Wing, Nellis AFB, Nev.
- 17. June 2017–June 2019, Commander, 1st Fighter Wing, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
- 18. June 2019-February 2020, Senior Military Assistant to the Under Secretary of the Air Force Headquarters United States Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
- 19. February 2020–June 2021, Deputy Director of Operations, Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Integration and AOC Director for USAFE-AFAFRICA, Ramstein AB, Germany
- 20. June 2021-Present, Director, Plans, Programs, and Analyses for Headquarters U.S. Air Forces in Europe and U.S. Air Force Africa, Ramstein AB, Germany

#### SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 2014-April 2016, Senior Air Force Advisor for Force Development, Office of Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command Pilot Flight hours: more than 2,200

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38, AT-38B, F-22, and F-15C

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

Defense Superior Service Medal Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters Air Force Commendation Medal Joint Meritorious Unit Award

AF Outstanding Unit Award with silver oak leaf cluster and bronze oak leaf

Combat Readiness Medal with oak leaf cluster Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal Global War on Terrorism Service Medal Commander In Chief's Installation Excellence Award 19th Air Force Air-to-Air Fighter Pilot Instructor of the Year

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

Second Lieutenant April 30, 1996 First Lieutenant April 30, 1998 Captain April 30, 2020 Major March 1, 2006 Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2010 Colonel August 1, 2015 Brigadier General April 15, 2021

#### (CURRENT AS OF JULY 2020)



## Rear Admiral Chad L. Jacoby

## Director of Acquisition Programs & Program Executive Officer United States Coast Guard





Rear Admiral Jacoby currently serves as the U.S. Coast Guard's Director of Acquisition Programs and Program Executive Officer (PEO). His duties include management oversight of all Coast Guard acquisition programs and projects for the modernization and recapitalization of surface, air, command and control, and logistics assets in support of the Coast Guard's multiple maritime missions.

Rear Admiral Jacoby previously served as Chief of Mission Support Integration responsible for integration of logistics, engineering support, training, and personnel support for the Coast Guard's global operations and as Commander, Surface Forces Logistics Center (SFLC) in Curtis Bay, MD.

As CO of SFLC, Rear Admiral Jacoby headed the single logistics center for the Coast Guard surface fleet providing engineering, maintenance, casualty repair, supply, and technical information services to 242 cutters and over 1,800 boats stationed around the world.

Captain Jacoby's career has been a mix of engineering afloat, fleet support, systems engineering, cybersecurity, and new cutter design and acquisition. He served as Assistant Engineering Officer aboard CGC SHERMAN (WHEC-720) and Engineering Officer aboard CGC MORGENTHAU (WHEC-722). He was the Engineer Officer at Group Key West, Executive Officer at Naval Engineering Support Unit Honolulu, Logistics Department Head and Commanding Officer of enlisted personnel at Sector St. Petersburg, Patrol Boat Product Line Manager at Surface Forces Logistics Center, as well as Deputy Surface Program Manager and Assistant Program Executive Officer (PEO) for C4ISR and Cyber Acquisitions in the acquisition directorate at Coast Guard Headquarters.

A native of Corning, New York, he graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in 1992 with a Bachelors of Engineering and holds a Masters of Mechanical Engineering Design and Manufacturing from Old Dominion University and a Masters of Engineering Management from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is a licensed Professional Engineer and has been a DHS Level III certified Program Manager since 2006.

Captain Jacoby's military awards include two Legion of Merit awards, three Meritorious Service Medals, four Coast Guard Commendation Medals, three Coast Guard Achievement Medals, and multiple unit awards.



# **BIOGRAPHY**



#### UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

#### BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN M. KLEIN, JR.

Brig. Gen. John M. Klein, Jr. serves as the Director, U.S. Central Command Deployment and Distribution Operations Center and Deputy Director, USCENTCOM Logistics and Engineering Directorate. The CDDOC synchronizes transportation, distribution and sustainment across the 20 countries of the USCENTCOM area of responsibility. The CDDOC projects and maintains national power where needed with the greatest speed and agility, the highest efficiency and with the most reliable level of accuracy. The CDDOC links the strategic deployment and distribution processes to operational and tactical functions in support of the warfighter, thereby improving total materiel distribution within USCENTCOM's AOR.

Brig. Gen. Klein most recently served as the Vice Commander of the U.S. Air Force Expeditionary Center, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey where he was responsible for rapid global mobility and expeditionary agile combat support training and education, while also providing direct oversight for the



Global Air Mobility Support System and installation support, contingency response and building partnership capacity mission sets within the global mobility enterprise. He also previously served as Commander of the 60th Air Mobility Wing, Travis Air Force Base, California and Commander of the 386th Air Expeditionary Wing in Southwest Asia.

Brig. Gen. Klein received his commission from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1994. He is a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Weapons School and is a command pilot with more than 3,200 flying hours in the T-37B Tweet, T-38A Talon, C-130E/H Hercules, C-130J Super Hercules, C-5B Galaxy and KC-10A Extender, including 340 combat hours. He has flown in all regions of the world including the Americas, Europe, Asia and the Pacific and has participated in operations Joint Guard, Southern Watch, Iraqi Freedom, Unified Response, Enduring Freedom, Resolute Support, Freedom's Sentinel, and Inherent Resolve.

#### **EDUCATION**

1994 Bachelor of Science, Astronautical Eng, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

2000 Squadron Officer School, Distinguished Graduate, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2002 Certificate Degree, Organizational Mgnt, The George Washington Univ., Washington, D.C.

2003 USAF Weapons School, C-130 Weapons Instructor Course, Little Rock AFB, Ark.

2005 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2007 Master of Science, Joint Campaign Planning and Strategy, Joint Advanced Warfighting School, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.

2008 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2012 Master of Advanced Studies, International and European Security, European Institute,

University of Geneva and Geneva Center for Security Policy, Geneva

2012 AF Leadership Development Prgm, Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, N.C.

2019 Air Force Fellows Program, Council on Foreign Relations, New York

2020 AF Leadership Development Prgm, Kenan-Flagler School of Business, Chapel Hill, N.C.

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1. August 1994-November 1995, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, 88th Flying Training Squadron, Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas
- 2. November 1995-February 1996, Student, Introduction to Fighter Fundamentals, 49th FTS, Columbus AFB, Miss.
- 3. February 1996-May 1996, Student, F-15C Flying Training Upgrade, 1st Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
- 4. May 1996-September 1996, Assistant to the Flight Commander, Current Operations Flight, 325th Operations Support Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
- 5. September 1996-February 1997, Student, C-130 Flying Training Upgrade, 53rd Airlift Squadron, Little Rock AFB, Ark.
- 6. February 1997-March 1999, C-130E Co-pilot, 2nd AS, Pope AFB, N.C.
- 7. March 1999-July 1999, Student, C-130 Flying Training Upgrade, 53rd AS, Little Rock AFB, Ark.
- 8. July 1999-May 2001, Instructor Pilot and Chief of Squadron Weapons and Tactics and Chief of Squadron Training, 36th AS, Yokota Air Base, Japan
- 9. June 2001-July 2002, Air Force Intern, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
- 10. July 2002-July 2005, Chief of Squadron Weapons and Tactics, 50th AS, Little Rock AFB, Ark.
- 11. July 2005-July 2006, Assistant Operations Officer, 463rd OSS, Little Rock AFB, Ark.
- 12. July 2006-June 2007, Student, Joint Advanced Warfighting School, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.
- 13. June 2007-May 2008, Action Officer, The Joint Staff, Operational Plans and Joint Force Development Directorate, Joint Experimentation, Transformation and Concepts Division, Joint Concepts Branch, Washington, D.C.
- 14. May 2008-June 2009, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Speechwriter, The Joint Staff, Office of the CJCS, Public Affairs, CJCS Writers Group, Washington, D.C.
- 15. June 2009-June 2011, Commander, 573rd Global Support Squadron, Travis AFB, Calif.
- 16. July 2011-June 2012, Defense Fellow, 26th International Training Course in Security Policy, Geneva Center for Security Policy, Geneva
- 17. July 2012–July 2013, Vice Commander, 60th Air Mobility Wing, Travis AFB, Calif.
- 18. July 2013-June 2014, Commander, 386th Air Expeditionary Wing, Southwest Asia
- 19. July 2014–June 2016, Chief, Mobility, Vertical Lift, and Special Operations Requirements Division, Headquarters Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
- 20. June 2016-July 2018, Commander, 60th AMW, Travis AFB, Calif.
- 21. August 2018–July 2019, Military Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations, New York
- 22. August 2019–July 2020, Vice Commander, U.S. Air Force Expeditionary Center, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J.
- 23. August 2020–present, Director, CENTCOM Deployment and Distribution Operations Center, Southwest Asia

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

- 1. June 2007-May 2008, Action Officer, The Joint Staff, Operational Plans and Joint Force Development Directorate, Joint Experimentation, Transformation and Concepts Division, Washington, D.C., as a major
- 2. May 2008-June 2009, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Speechwriter, The Joint Staff, Office of the CJCS, Public Affairs, CJCS Writers Group, Washington, D.C., as a lieutenant colonel
- 3. August 2020–present, Director, CENTCOM Deployment and Distribution Operations Center, Northeast Africa, across the Middle East, to Central and South Asia, as a brigadier general

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command pilot

Flight Hours: more than 3,200 (340 combat hours)

Aircraft Flown: T-41C, T-37B, T-38A, C-130E/H, C-130J, C-5B and KC-10A

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

Legion of Merit Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Bronze Star Medal
Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Medal
Aerial Achievement Medal with four oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster
Air Force Achievement Medal

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

Second Lieutenant June 1, 1994
First Lieutenant June 1, 1996
Captain June 1, 1998
Major Aug. 1, 2004
Lieutenant Colonel June 1, 2008
Colonel July 1, 2012
Brigadier General May 2, 2019
(Current as of August 2020)



# Brigadier General Tom O'Connor Deputy Commanding General - Operations, Eighth Army

Brigadier General Tom O'Connor hails from Massapequa Park, New York. He graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1994, and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Aviation branch.

His operational assignments include serving in leadership and staff positions from Platoon Leader to Deputy Commanding General with service in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Armored Cavalry Regiment, the 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division (Air Assault), the 1<sup>st</sup> Armored Division, and the 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division. Additionally he served as the Deputy Commander of the United States Army's Aviation Center of Excellence. His most recent leadership positions prior to arriving to

the 8<sup>th</sup> Army was service as the Deputy Commanding General-Support of the First Infantry Division at Fort Riley Kansas and as Commander 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division (Forward) while deployed to Poland.

Brigadier General O'Connor's assignments outside of the operational force include service at the National Training Center, as the Deputy Director of DAMO-AV, G-3/5/7, and as the Aviation Division Chief in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-8 both on the Department of the Army's Staff.

Brigadier General O'Connor's experience includes multiple deployments in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Atlantic Resolve.

Brigadier General O'Connor earned a Bachelor of Science in Engineering Management from the United States Military Academy, a Masters of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College, and a Master's of Science in National Resource Strategy from the National Defense University's Eisenhower School.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit (3 OLC), Bronze Star Medal (2 OLC), Meritorious Service Medal (3 OLC), Air Medal with valor, Air Medal (2), Army Commendation Medal (2 OLC), Army Achievement Medal (2 OLC), Valorous Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Award (2 OLC), Combat Action Badge, Master Aviator Badge, Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, and the Army Staff Badge.

Brigadier General O'Connor is married to the former Kathleen Fickett of El Paso Texas. They have five children, Trey (20), Riley (18), Corey (16), Brody (12), and Reaghan (10).



# **BIOGRAPHY**



#### UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

#### **BRIGADIER GENERAL EVAN L. PETTUS**

Brig Gen Pettus ia the Vice Commander, U.S. Air Force Warfare Center, Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada. The USAFWC is organized under Air Comabat Command into five wings and two named units with more than 13,000 military and civilain personnel serving in the 57th Wing, 53rd Wing, 99th Air Base Wing, 505th Command and Control Wing, 350th Spectrum Warfare Wing, the Nevada Test and Training Range and the Air Force Joint Test Program Office. The USAFWC conducts operational testing and tactics development programs as well as advanced training schools, exercises and venues. The center develops innovative leaders and provides Airman with proven and tested technology, the most current tactics, academic training and opportunities to practice integrated force employment.

Prior to assuming this assignment, Brig Gen Pettus was the Commander, 378th Air Expeditionary Wing, Prince Sultan Air Base, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, where he was responsible for the plans, support and execution of military operations in support of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and for providing counter-air, aerial interdiction, and closeair support capabilities to U.S. Central Command.

Brig. Gen. Pettus earned his commission from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1994. He graduated from Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training at Sheppard AFB, Texas, and was first stationed at Royal Air Force Lakenheath, United Kingdom, as an F-15E pilot. He is a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Weapons School and is a command pilot with more than 2,600 hours in the T-37 Tweet, T-38 Talon, AT-38 Talon and F-15E Strike Eagle. He has flown combat missions in operations Northern Watch, Southern Watch, Allied Force, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.



1994 Bachelor of Science, Aeronautical Engineering, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.

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

2004 Master of Business Administration, Bellevue University, Neb.

2004 F-15E Weapons Instructor Course, Nellis AFB, Nev.

2005 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2008 Master of Science, Logistics Sciences, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

2013 Master of Strategic Studies, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2017 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina Kenan-Flagler Business School

2018 Leading Strategically Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Colorado Springs, Colo.

2019 Senior Leader Security Seminar, U.S. Air Force Special Investigations Academy, Dahlgren, Va.

2019 Combined/Joint Forces Land Component Commander's Course, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle, Pa.

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1. August 1994-October 1995, Student, Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training, Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas
- 2. October 1995-April 1996, Student, Introduction to Fighter Fundamentals, Sheppard AFB, Texas
- 3. April 1996-December 1996, Student, F-15E Formal Training Unit, 334th Fighter Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
- 4. December 1996-January 2000, F-15E Pilot, Mission Planning Officer and Assistant Chief of Training, 492nd Fighter Squadron, Royal Air Force Lakenheath, United Kingdom
- 5. January 2000-January 2002, Air Liaison Officer, 1st Brigade, 1st Armored Division, Friedberg Army Installation, Germany
- 6. January 2002-July 2004, F-15E Instructor Pilot, Flight Commander, 391st Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
- 7. July 2004-December 2004, Student, F-15E Weapons Instructor Course, Nellis AFB, Nev.
- 8. December 2004-August 2005, Chief, Wing Combat Training, 366th Operations Support Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
- 9. August 2005-March 2006, Chief, Wing Weapons and Tactics, 3rd Operations Support Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska



- 10. March 2006-April 2007, Director of Operations, 90th Fighter Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
- 11. April 2007-August 2008, Student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Ohio
- 12. August 2008-February 2009, Assistant Director of Operations, 366th Operations Support Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
- 13. February 2009-July 2009, Director of Operations, 391st Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
- 14. August 2009-January 2011, Commander, 389th Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
- 15. March 2011-June 2012, Chief, Commander's Action Group, U.S. Air Forces in Europe, Ramstein Air Base, Germany
- 16. July 2012-May 2013, Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 17. August 2013-June 2014, Vice Commander, 4th Fighter Wing, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
- 18. July 2014-July 2016, Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations, U.S. Forces Korea
- 19. July 2016-July 2018, Commander, 48th Fighter Wing, RAF Lakenheath, U.K.
- 20. July 2018-June 2020, Commandant, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 21. June 2020-June 2021, 378th Air Expeditionary Wing, Prince Sultan Air Base, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- 22. July 2021-Present, Vice Commander, United States Air Force Warfare Center, Nellis AFB, Nev.

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command pilot Flight hours: more than 2,600

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38, AT-38 and F-15E

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

Defense Superior Service Medal
Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters
Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters
Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Aerial Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster
Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster
Army Achievement Medal

#### **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 Oct. 1, 2013 Brigadier General July 31, 2019

(Current as of July 2021)

# Brigadier General Thomas B. Savage Deputy Director of Operations, J3 United States Africa Command

Brigadier General Savage is currently serving as Deputy Director of Operations, United States Africa Command. He is a graduate of California State University and was commissioned in August 1991. He has attended The Basic School, Infantry Officer Course, U.S. Army Infantry Captain Career Course, Marine Corps Command and Staff Course, the School of Advanced Warfighting, the Naval War College, and the United Kingdom Higher Command and Staff Course. He has also completed Army Ranger School, Army Airborne School, and the USMC Basic Reconnaissance Course.



His service in the Operating Forces includes: Platoon Commander with 1st Battalion, 9th Marines (June 1992-June 1994); Company Executive Officer with 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines (June 1994-January 1996); Logistics Officer, Company Commander, and Operations Officer for 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines (May 1999-August 2002); Aide de Camp to the Commanding General I Marine Expeditionary Force (August 2002-June 2004); G-3 Operations Officer 1st Marine Division (July 2006-June 2007); Operations Officer and Executive Officer for 1st Marine Regiment (June 2007-January 2010); Commanding Officer for 1st Battalion, 5th Marines (January 2010-January 2012- June 2012); Commanding Officer Headquarters Battalion 1st Marine Division (January 2012- June 2012); Commanding Officer for 2nd Marine Regiment (August 2014-March 2016); Assistant Division Commander, 2D Marine Division (March 2016 – June 2016); Deputy Commanding General for I Marine Expeditionary Forces (July 2019-June 2021).

His service outside the Operating Forces includes duty as an Amphibious Raid Instructor at Expeditionary Warfare Training Group, Atlantic from January 1996 to May 1997, and as the Assistant Officer in Charge of the Amphibious Reconnaissance School from August 1997 to January 1998. From September 2013 to June 2014 he served as a Fellow on the Chief of Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group. He served as a Strategic Plans Advisor for the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Plans, Office of Secretary of Defense (Policy) from June 2016 to July 2018, and as the Executive Assistant to the Deputy Commandant for Plans, Policies, and Operations, Headquarters Marine Corps from July 2018 to July 2019.



## Rear Admiral Richard E. Seif, U.S. Navy Commander, Undersea Warfighting Development Center

Rear Admiral Seif is a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1992 with a Bachelor of Science in Marine Engineering. He also holds a Master's in Business Administration from the College of William and Mary's Mason School of Business.

At sea, he has served aboard five nuclear fast attack submarines. He served as a Junior Officer aboard USS Newport News (SSN 750), Engineer Officer and Combat Systems Officer aboard USS Oklahoma City (SSN 723), and Executive Officer aboard USS Houston (SSN 713).

He commanded USS Buffalo (SSN 715), homeported in Guam, from April 2010 to February 2013. During this tour, he conducted extensive operations in the Western Pacific, and the boat was awarded the Navy Unit Commendation, the Meritorious Unit Commendation, two Battle Efficiency



awards, and the Arleigh Burke Fleet Trophy. He also commanded USS Jacksonville (SSN 699), completing a 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Fleet deployment. Most recently, he served as Commodore, Submarine Squadron One and Chief of Staff to Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet.

Ashore, he served as the Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Defense for Strategy, Plans, and Capabilities; Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations for Submarine Group Seven/Task Force 74 in Yokosuka, Japan; the Navy's National Director of Submarine and Nuclear Power Recruiting; Board Member and Executive Officer of the Fleet Forces Command Nuclear Propulsion Examining Board; and Flag Aide to Commander Submarine Force, U.S Atlantic Fleet/Submarine Allied Command Atlantic.

His personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal (two awards), Legion of Merit (three awards), Meritorious Service Medal (four awards), Joint Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (five awards), and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (three awards). He has served with crews that have earned seven Battle Efficiency awards, two Arleigh Burke Fleet Trophies, and various unit and campaign awards.

## **Rear Admiral Christopher J. Sweeney**

#### **Commander, Carrier Strike Group ELEVEN**

Rear Adm. Christopher Sweeney is a native of the Eastern Shore of Maryland, a 1991 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and also a graduate of the Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University, with a master's degree in International Policy and Practice.

Sweeney has served in a diverse range of sea and shore assignments. As a surface warfare officer, he commanded Destroyer Squadron 15 (CDS 15) from 2015 to 2016 in the Western Pacific and the Destroyer USS Decatur (DDG 73) from 2009 to 2010, deploying twice to the Arabian Gulf in support of U.S. and Coalition Forces in Iraq and Afghanistan.



His service at sea since 1992 includes assignments aboard USS Russell (DDG 59), USS Port Royal (CG 73), USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60), USS Cyclone (PC 1) and USS San Jacinto (CG 56) deployed to the Middle East, Western Pacific, Mediterranean and South America.

His shore tours included deputy for Combat Systems and Warfighting Integration, responsible for future surface combatant force requirements and integration of warfighting investments for the Director of Surface Warfare (N-96). He has also served as the branch head for Integrated Air & Missile Defense for the Director of Surface Warfare (N-96) and as a strategic and political-military planner on the staffs of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (J-5) and the Chief of Naval Operations.

His first Flag Tour was as the Deputy Director for Policy, Plans, Strategy, Capabilities and Resources (J-5/8), U.S. European Command in Stuttgart. Germany.

His awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Joint Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Meritorious Service Medal and various personal, unit, service and campaign awards.



# Rear Admiral Derek A. Trinque ASSISTANT COMMANDER, NAVY PERSONNEL COMMAND (PERS-4)

Rear Admiral Derek Trinque is a native of Holliston, Massachusetts and graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1992 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science.

Rear Admiral Trinque's sea duty assignments include command of USS NORMANDY (CG 60), USS O'KANE (DDG 77), and Coastal Minehunter Crews VALOR and EXCEL (including command of USS OSPREY (MHC 51), USS CARDINAL (MHC 60), USS SHRIKE (MHC 62), USS ROBIN (MHC 54), and USS PELICAN (MHC 53)). He has also served as Operations Officer in USS NORMANDY (CG 60) and USS COLE (DDG 67), and in the Weapons, Operations, and Engineering Departments as a Division Officer in USS PHILIPPINE SEA (CG 58).



Ashore, Rear Admiral Trinque has served as the Director, Surface Officer Distribution Division (PERS-41) at Navy Personnel Command, as the Branch Head for Integrated Air and Missile Defense in the Surface Warfare Directorate of the Chief of Naval Operations' Staff (OPNAV N96) and as the Branch Head for Ballistic Missile Defense Policy on the Joint Staff in the Strategic Plans and Policy Directorate (J5). He completed a previous tour as a Surface Warfare Assignments Officer in PERS-41. His first shore tour was as a Seamanship and Navigation instructor at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland, where he also qualified as an Officer in Charge of the Naval Academy's 108 foot Yard Patrol training craft. Rear Admiral Trinque currently serves as the Assistant Commander, Navy Personnel Command for Career Management (PERS-4).

Rear Admiral Trinque holds Master Degrees in International Business from the University of Maryland and in National Security and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island. His awards include the Legion of Merit (three awards), Combat Action Ribbon, and Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (six awards).

Updated: 1 September 2020

## **BRIGADIER GENERAL JOEL B. (JB) VOWELL**

# COMMANDER UNITED STATES ARMY JAPAN



Brigadier General Joel "JB" Vowell grew up an Army brat and received his commission as an Infantry officer upon graduation from the University of Alabama in 1991. During his career, he has been stationed in Europe, Pacific, Middle East, and many posts across the United States. He has served on operational assignments to Egypt and on hurricane relief operations in the U.S., and served three combat tours in Afghanistan and one in Iraq, including the surge campaigns in both countries. His commands include 2nd Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment (Air Assault) "No Slack" and the 3rd Brigade Combat Team (Air Assault) "Rakkasans" of the 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

He was a War College Fellow at Stanford University in 2012 and an Army Chief of Staff's Senior Fellow to the Brookings Institution in 2016. He most recently served as the Deputy Commanding General-Operations for the 25th Infantry Division and Deputy Strategic Planning and Policy directorate (J-5), U.S. Indo-Pacific Command. He assumed his present duties June 25, 2021.

Brigadier General Vowell is a Category 2 USA Cycling Road Racer and a member of the CoreTechs Masters Team, Portola Valley, California, along with being the 2018 and 2019 Hawaii State Masters Champion.



# Brigadier General RICHARD L. ZELLMANN

Deputy Director, Operations, J-3
United States Space Command
24 Talon Way
Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado 80912
Since: February 1, 2021



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#### **EDUCATIONAL DEGREES**

**PROMOTIONS** 

2LT

United States Military Academy – BS – Engineering Physics University of Minnesota – MS – Physics Air University – MS – Strategic Studies

#### MILITARY SCHOOLS ATTENDED

Ordnance Officer Basic Course Combined Logistics Officer Advanced Course United States Army Command and General Staff College Air War College

**DATE OF APPOINTMENT** 

30 May 92

#### FOREIGN LANGUAGE(S) None recorded

		30 may 32
1LT		30 May 94
CPT		1 Jun 96
MAJ		1 Mar 03
LTC		1 Mar 09
COL		1 Jun 14
BG		2 Aug 20
FROM	TO	ASSIGNMENT
Feb 21	Present	Deputy Director, J-3, United States Space Command, Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado
Aug 19	Feb 21	Deputy Director, J-5, United States Space Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado
Jul 18	Aug 19	Director of Operations, Joint Functional Component Command for Space, United States
		Strategic Command, Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado
Jun 16	May 18	Commander, 1st Space Brigade, United States Army Space and Missile Defense Command,
		United States Army Strategic Command, Fort Carson, Colorado
May 14	Jun 06	Chief, Training, Readiness, and Exercises, United States Army Space and Missile Defense
		Command, United States Army Forces Strategic Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado
May 13	May 14	Commander, 1st Space Battalion, United States Army Space and Missile Defense Command,
		United States Army Strategic Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado
May 12	May 13	Chief, Certifications and Evaluations Branch, United States Army Space and Missile Defense
		Command, United States Army Forces Strategic Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado
May 11	May 12	Operations Officer, 1st Space Brigade, United States Army Space and Missile Defense
		Command, United States Army Strategic Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado
Jul 08	May 11	Senior Space Operations Officer, United States Army Central, Fort McPherson, Georgia and
	,	OPERATIONS IRAQI and ENDURING FREEDOM

Nov 07	Jul 08	Student, Lockheed Martin Information System and Global Services, Deer Creek Facility,
		Littleton, Colorado
May 06	Nov 07	Executive Officer, later Operations Officer, 1st Space Battalion, 1st Space Brigade, Peterson
		Air Force Base, Colorado and OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq
Jun 04	May 06	Army Space Support Leader, later Commander, 2d Space Company, 1st Space Battalion,
		Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado
May 01	Jun 04	Instructor, later Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, United States Military Academy,
		West Point, New York
May 99	May 01	Student, University of Minnesota, Minnesota
Feb 98	May 99	Commander, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Detachment, 1st Support Battalion, Multinational
		Force and Observers, Sinai Desert, Egypt
May 97	Feb 98	Student, Combined Logistics Officer Advanced Course, United States Army Logistics
		Management College, Fort Lee, Virginia
Sep 94	May 97	Explosives Ordnance Disposal Platoon Leader, later Detachment Commander, United States
		Army Technical Escort Unit, Army Materiel Command, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland
Aug 93	Sep 94	Operations Officer, United States Army Technical Escort Unit, Amy Materiel Command,
		Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS	<u>DATE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Deputy Director, J-5, United States Space Command, Peterson Air	Aug 19 - Present	Colonel
Force Base, Colorado		
Director of Operations, Joint Functional Component Command for	Jul 18 - Aug 19	Colonel
Space, United States Strategic Command, Shriever Air Force Base,		
Colorado		

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS	<u>DATE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Operations Officer, 1st Space Brigade, United States Army Space and	May 11 - May 12	Lieutenant Colonel
Missile Defense Command, United States Army Strategic Command,		
Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado		
Senior Space Operations Officer, United States Army Central,	Oct 08 - Jan 09	Major/Lieutenant
OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq		Colonel
Senior Space Operations Officer, United States Army Central,	Mar 10 - Oct 10	Major/Lieutenant
OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afganistan		Colonel
Executive Officer, later Operations Officer, 1st Space Battalion, 1st	May 06 - Jun 07	Major
Space Brigade, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq		
Commander, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Detachment, 1st Support	Feb 98 - May 99	Captain
Battalion, Multinational Force and Observers, Sinai Desert, Egypt	•	-

### **US DECORATIONS AND BADGES**

Legion of Merit

Bronze Star Medal

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Army Commendation Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Army Achievement Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Parachutist Badge

Master Air Force Space and Missile Badge

Senior Explosive Ordnance Disposal Badge

Senior Air Force Space Badge