

# **BIOGRAPHICAL DATA BOOK**



**Class 2022-3**

**18 Apr - 6 May 2022**

**National Defense University**



**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.

# **SENIOR FELLOWS**



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

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

**WEEKS 1, 2 AND 3**



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

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

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

**Business Affiliations:**

Consultant -- The Boeing Company's Phantom Works

**Advisory Board Member:**

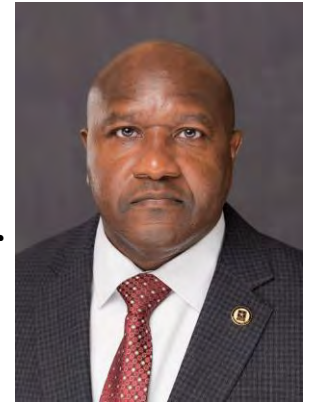
SAAB Defense and Security; Iridium Communications; Northrup Grumman Electronic Systems; Beechcraft Defense Company; and Baptist Health of South Florida

**Other Affiliations:**

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



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



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

**WEEKS 1, 2 AND 3**

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.

# **CAPSTONE Staff**

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

**Bonnie 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**

**Colonel, U.S. Army**

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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-one-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. COL 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.

COL Hall is married to Kannary Hall, has a daughter Asheley age 27, and a son Cameron age 6.

**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](mailto: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.

**Fellows**



# United States Navy Biography

## **Rear Adm. Michael “Mouse” Baze Commander, Expeditionary Strike Group 3**

Rear Adm. Baze is a native of San Antonio, Texas and earned a Bachelor of Arts in Biology from Rice University. He commissioned through Aviation Officer Candidate School in 1990 and was designated a Naval Aviator in 1992.

He deployed multiple times flying the SH-60B in support of detachment and carrier operations during Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom — assigned to HSL 45 June 1992-1996 as a first tour pilot and HSL 47 June 2002-Oct. 2004 as the Safety and Naval Air Training and Operating Procedures Standardization (NATOPS) Officer, Det. 5 Officer in Charge, and squadron Maintenance Officer in San Diego, California. He served as a flight instructor, Operations and Administrative Officer twice at HSL 41 July 1996-March 1998, and Sept. 2001-June 2002.



Rear Adm. Baze was the aide to the President, Board of Inspection and Survey in Norfolk, Virginia April 1998-Aug. 1999. He then earned a Master of Science in National Security Affairs from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California 1999-2001, serving also as an associate fellow on the Chief of Naval Operations' Strategic Studies Group.

His significant staff assignments have included service on the Joint Staff in Washington, D.C. as an action officer in the J-3 Joint Operations Division, and then as an aide to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Jan. 2005-Nov. 2006. He served as deputy director for Aviation Distribution and Head Air Combat Placement Officer at Navy Personnel Command March 2010-Feb. 2012, and later became Director of Aviation Warfare Distribution (PERS-43) Dec. 2016-July 2019 in Millington, Tennessee. He most recently served as the Director of Maritime Headquarters (N4/5/8/9) at U.S. Naval Forces Europe and Africa, and U.S. Sixth Fleet.

In command, he led the men and women of HSL 45 and USS America (LHA 6). At HSL 45 in San Diego, Aug. 2007-Feb. 2010, his squadron was awarded the Battle “E” twice, the Golden Wrench Award for Maintenance Excellence, and the Commander, Pacific Fleet Retention Excellence Award for three consecutive years. As Executive and then Commanding Officer of USS America (LHA 6), July 2012-Aug. 2016, he shepherded America from the early pre-commissioning phase, a U.S. Fourth Fleet deployment, commissioning, first-in-class tests and trials, RIMPAC 2016 Exercise, and readiness for Joint Strike Fighter Developmental Testing-III.

Rear Adm. Baze assumed duties as Commander, Expeditionary Strike Group 3 in June 2021.

He is authorized to wear the Legion of Merit (three awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), Air Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (five awards), Navy Achievement Medal (three awards), and multiple joint, unit and campaign awards.



**Major General Mark S. Bennett**  
**Director of Army Budget**  
**Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army**  
**(Financial Management and Comptroller)**

Major General Mark Bennett became the thirty-second Director of Army Budget in the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Financial Management and Comptroller ASA(FM&C) on 3 August 2021.

MG Bennett was commissioned in 1990 into the Field Artillery as a Distinguished Military Graduate. He began his operational assignments with the 6th Battalion, 37th Field Artillery in Korea and also served as the Task Force Finance Officer for 4th Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment, for a Multinational Force and Observers rotation to Sinai, Egypt. He had two company command experiences with the 82nd Finance Battalion at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and the 177th Finance Battalion in Korea. Following completion of graduate school at Syracuse University, he served as the Executive Officer to the Deputy Chief of Staff for Resource Management, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command at Ft. Monroe, Virginia. Shortly after arriving for duty at the Pentagon, he supported the Army and Nation's response to the 9-11 attacks before attending Command and General Staff College.

He returned to the 82nd Airborne Division as the Division Finance Support Operations Officer at Fort Bragg and deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He then served as the Executive Officer to the Director of Army Budget, as a Program Examiner at the Office of Management and Budget, and as a Congressional Budget Liaison for the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Financial Management & Comptroller ASA(FM&C).

MG Bennett commanded the Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry), Fort Drum, New York for 31 months including a deployment to Kandahar, Afghanistan. He returned to HQDA as the Executive Officer to the Military Deputy for Budget, ASA(FM&C) and Chief of the Planning, Programming, Budgeting, and Execution System Integration for the ASA(FM&C). MG Bennett also served as the Assistant Chief of Staff, G8, at Headquarters, I Corps, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington before deploying again to Afghanistan. He served as the Deputy Director of Resource Management with the Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan (CSTC-A) in support of the Resolute Support mission. MG Bennett then served as the Chief of Army Congressional Budget Liaison (SAFM-BUL), in the ASA(FM&C). He served as the Director of Resource Management (G8) for the Headquarters, Installation Management Command (IMCOM) before most recently serving as the Commanding General of the U.S. Army Financial Management Command.

A native of Ohio, MG Bennett holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree in Accounting from John Carroll University and a Master of Business Administration degree from Syracuse University. He additionally holds a Master of Science degree in National Security and Resource Strategy from the National Defense University. His military training includes the Field Artillery Officer Basic Course, Finance Officer Advanced Course, the United States Army Command and General Staff College, and the Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit (4OLC), Bronze Star Medal (1OLC), Joint Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (1 SLC + 2 OLC), Senior Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Presidential Service Badge and the Army Staff Identification Badge.



# United States Army

Major General GREGORY J. BRADY

**Commanding General  
10th Army Air and Missile Defense Command  
Rhine Ordnance Barracks  
CMR 402  
APO AE 09067  
Since: August 2019**



SOURCE OF COMMISSIONED SERVICE USMA

EDUCATIONAL DEGREES

United States Military Academy – BS – French  
United States Marine Corps Command and Staff College – MMS – Military Studies  
Catholic University of America – MA – International Relations

MILITARY SCHOOLS ATTENDED

Air Defense Artillery Officer Basic and Advanced Courses  
United States Marine Corps Command and Staff College  
Senior Service College Fellowship - George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies  
Joint and Combined Warfighting School  
Seminar XXI, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

FOREIGN LANGUAGE(S) French

| <u>PROMOTIONS</u> | <u>DATE OF APPOINTMENT</u> |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| 2LT               | 1 Jun 91                   |
| 1LT               | 1 Jun 93                   |
| CPT               | 1 Jun 95                   |
| MAJ               | 1 Jun 01                   |
| LTC               | 1 May 07                   |
| COL               | 1 Sep 12                   |
| BG                | 2 Aug 18                   |
| MG                | 29 Jul 21                  |

| <u>FROM</u> | <u>TO</u> | <u>ASSIGNMENT</u>  |
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| Aug 19      | Present   | Commanding General, 10th Army Air and Missile Defense Command, Germany   |
| Aug 18      | Jul 19    | Commanding General, White Sands Missile Range, White Sands, New Mexico   |
| Jun 16      | Jul 18    | Chief, Fires Division, Strategy, Plans and Policy Directorate, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7, United States Army, Washington, DC                              |
| Sep 15      | Jun 16    | Deputy Commanding Officer, 32d Army Air and Missile Defense Command, Fort Bliss, Texas   |
| Jul 13      | Jun 15    | Commander, 10th Army Air and Missile Defense Command, United States Army Europe, Germany   |
| Jul 12      | Jul 13    | Senior Service College Fellow, George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, Germany  |
| Jun 10      | Jun 12    | Chief of Operations, later Chief of Operations and Plans Division, Officer Personnel Management Directorate, United States Army Human Resources Command, Fort Knox, Kentucky |
| May 08      | Jun 10    | Commander, 5-52 Air Defense Artillery Battalion, 11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, Fort  |

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|        |        | Bliss, Texas and Commander, 5-52 Air Defense Artillery Battalion, 32d Army Air and Missile Defense Command and OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, United Arab Emirates                 |
| May 07 | May 08 | Chief of Staff Advisor/Deputy Team Chief, Military Transition Team, 3d Armored Cavalry Regiment, Multi-National Division - North, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq                 |
| Aug 06 | May 07 | Chief, Professional Military Education, United States Army Air Defense Artillery School, Fort Bliss, Texas  |
| Jan 05 | Jul 06 | Operations Officer, 11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, Fort Bliss, Texas   |
| Jun 03 | Jan 05 | Operations Officer, later Executive Officer, 5th Battalion, 52d Air Defense Artillery, Fort Bliss, Texas  |
| Jul 02 | Jun 03 | Student, United States Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Quantico, Virginia   |
| Jul 01 | Jun 02 | Personnel Systems Staff Officer (Air Defense Artillery), Office of the Deputy Chief Staff, G-1, United States Army, Washington, DC  |
| Jun 99 | Jun 01 | Officer Distribution Manager, United States Total Army Personnel Command, Alexandria, Virginia  |
| May 97 | May 99 | Commander, C Battery, 2d Battalion, 43d Air Defense Artillery, Fort Bliss, Texas and OPERATIONS DESERT FOX AND THUNDER, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia                                 |
| Oct 96 | Apr 97 | Tactical Director, Fire Direction Section, 2d Battalion, 43d Air Defense Artillery OPERATION SOUTHERN WATCH, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia  |
| May 96 | Oct 96 | Student, Air Defense Artillery Officer Advanced Course, Fort Bliss, Texas   |
| Mar 94 | May 96 | Tactical Director, 5-7 Air Defense Artillery, 94th Artillery Brigade, 32d Army Air and Missile Defense Command, Germany and OPERATION DESERT VIGILANCE, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia |
| Mar 93 | Mar 94 | Executive Officer, C Battery, 5-7 Air Defense Artillery, 94th Artillery Brigade, 32d Army Air and Missile Defense Command, Germany  |
| Jan 92 | Mar 93 | Platoon Leader, E Battery, later Maintenance Platoon Leader, B Battery, 5-7 Air Defense Artillery, 94th Artillery Group, 32d Army Air and Missile Defense Command, Germany      |

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

|  | <u>DATE</u>     | <u>GRADE</u>       |
|--|-----------------|--------------------|
| Chief of Staff Advisor/Deputy Team Chief, Military Transition Team, 3d Iraqi Army Advisor Group, 3d Armored Cavalry Regiment, Multi-National Division - North, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq | May 07 - May 08 | Lieutenant Colonel |

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

|  | <u>DATE</u>     | <u>GRADE</u>       |
|--|-----------------|--------------------|
| Commander, 5-52 Air Defense Artillery Battalion, 32d Army Air and Missile Defense Command and OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, United Arab Emirates   | Mar 09 - Oct 09 | Lieutenant Colonel |
| Chief of Staff Advisor/Deputy Team Chief, Military Transition Team, 3d Iraqi Army Advisor Group, 3d Armored Cavalry Regiment, Multi-National Division - North, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq | May 07 - May 08 | Lieutenant Colonel |
| Commander, C Battery, 2d Battalion, 43d Air Defense Artillery, Texas and OPERATIONS DESERT FOX AND THUNDER, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia  | Oct 98 - Mar 99 | Captain            |
| Tactical Director, Fire Direction Section, 2d Battalion, 43d Air Defense Artillery Brigade, OPERATIONS SOUTHERN WATCH, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia   | Nov 96 - Apr 97 | First Lieutenant   |
| Tactical Director, Fire Direction Section, 5-7 Air Defense Artillery, 94th Artillery Brigade, 32d Army Air and Missile Defense Command, OPERATION DESERT VIGILANCE, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia  | Jan 95 - May 95 | First Lieutenant   |

US DECORATIONS AND BADGES

Legion of Merit (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
Bronze Star Medal  
Meritorious Service Medal (with Silver Oak Leaf Cluster and 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)  
Army Commendation Medal (with Silver Oak Leaf Cluster)  
Air Force Commendation Medal

Army Achievement Medal (with Silver Oak Leaf Cluster)

Combat Action Badge

Parachutist Badge

Basic Space Badge

Ranger Tab

Army Staff Identification Badge



# Rear Admiral Susan BryerJoyner

## Navy Cyber Security Division Director Office of the Chief of Naval Operations



Rear Adm. Susan BryerJoyner is a native of Savannah, Georgia. She received her commission in 1991 through the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Materials Engineering. She also holds a Master of Science in Computer Science from the Naval Postgraduate School and a Master of Science in Government Information Leadership from the Information Resources Management College at National Defense University.

Her operational tours include deployments to the high north and Norwegian Seas for the Navy's first Dynamic Force Employment deployment and to the Mediterranean and Arabian Seas, the Western and South Pacific Ocean, and Iraq in support of Operations Enduring Freedom, Iraqi

Freedom and Tomodachi.

Fleet assignments include information warfare commander for Carrier Strike Group 8 embarked onboard USS George Washington (CVN 73) and assistant chief of staff for N6 for U.S. 7th Fleet embarked onboard USS Blue Ridge (LCC 19). She also served as communications and information systems department head for USS Blue Ridge (LCC 19) and flag communications officer for Carrier Strike Group 8 embarked on USS Harry S Truman (CVN 75).

She commanded the Hopper Information Services Center, providing critical information services supporting global maritime and joint intelligence operations.

Other shore assignments include senior military assistant to the Department of Defense Chief Information Officer; cybersecurity branch chief assigned to the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations; flag aide to the first Commander, Naval Network Warfare Command; and flag aide to the Director, Space, Information Warfare, Command and Control Directorate in the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations. She also served at the Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station, Mediterranean and the Naval Computer and Telecommunications Station, Far East.

Joint tours include U.S. Pacific Command; Joint Warfare Analysis Center; Multi-National Force Iraq; and U.S. Cyber Command. BryerJoyner is currently serving as Navy Cyber Security division director, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations.

She is the recipient of various personal, unit, and campaign awards including the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit Medal (three awards), Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), and Navy Meritorious Service Medal (three awards). She was a recipient of the Copernicus Award in 2001 and 2006, and is a proud Plank Owner of the Information Professional Community and the Naval Network Warfare Command.

**Rear Admiral JOSEPH F. CAHILL**  
**Deputy Director Resources and Acquisition,**  
**J-8, Joint Staff**

Rear Adm. Joe Cahill is a native of St. Albans, Vermont and a 1992 graduate of the University of Maine.

Cahill's sea tours were on USS Constellation (CV-64), USS Fitzgerald (DDG-62), USS Paul Hamilton (DDG-60) and USS Russell (DDG 59). He commanded USS Monsoon (PC 4) and USS Preble (DDG-88). His major command was on USS Bunker Hill (CG 52) where he served as the Integrated Air and Missile Warfare Commander for CSG-9.



His shore tours included the Joint Staff, INDOPACOM, three tours on the Chief of Naval Operations' staff with roles in Strategy & Policy (N5SP) and Warfighting Requirements and Capabilities (N9), the Surface and Mine Warfighting Development Center and the Naval War College.

He assumed his role as deputy director for Resources and Acquisitions, Joint Staff, J8 in April 2020.



# Rear Admiral Brad Collins

## Commander, Navy Region Northwest



Rear Adm. Brad J. Collins is a native of Lake Forest, California. He graduated from the United States Naval Academy with a Bachelor of Science in Political Science. He is also a graduate of the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island, where he earned a Master's Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies. Following his commissioning in 1992, he completed primary fixed wing training in Corpus Christi, Texas, followed by advanced helicopter training in Milton, Florida. He completed his training at Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light 40 (HSL-40) before proceeding to the world famous "Proud Warriors" of Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light 42 (HSL-42) at Naval Air Station Jacksonville.

His operational tours include serving as operations and maintenance officer for HSL-42 Detachment while deployed to the Mediterranean Sea, Persian Gulf and Caribbean in support of counter-drug operations. He also deployed to the Mediterranean and Horn of Africa as officer-in-charge of Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light 48 (HSL-48) Detachment 10, and finished his tour as the squadron's maintenance officer. Collins returned to the HSL-42 "Proud Warriors" as the executive officer in June 2009, and later assumed the title of "Warrior One" as the 22nd commanding officer in August 2010. His ashore assignments include a tour at Navy Personnel Command as a rating assignment officer; admiral's aide to Commander, Navy Region Southeast; a B-52 nuclear bomber/cruise missile planner at U.S. Strategic Command; and director of test and division chief for wargames and exercises at the Missile Defense Agency. Collins' major command tour was as Commanding Officer, Naval Support Activity Souda Bay, Greece.

He most recently served as chief of staff at Commander, Navy Installations Command, and is currently serving as Commander, Navy Region Northwest.



# BIOGRAPHY

## UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE

### BRIGADIER GENERAL D. JASON COTHERN

Brig. Gen. D. Jason Cothorn serves as the Deputy Commander, Space Systems Command, Los Angeles Air Force Base, California. He is responsible for managing the research, design, development, acquisition, and sustainment of space systems, command and control, launch, and operational satellite systems. Space Systems Command manages an \$11 billion annual budget for the DoD and employs 10,000 professionals to develop, acquire, launch, field and sustain space capabilities that protect joint warfighters and national interests in space.

Brig. Gen. Cothorn was commissioned in 1993 as an ROTC graduate of the University of Central Florida. His career has spanned a range of assignments primarily acquiring or planning for a variety of space systems, running the gamut from communications, signals intelligence, missile warning, and force application. His space systems experience includes all major segments: ground, space vehicles, payloads, and launch vehicles. He commanded the Space Based Infrared Systems Ground Squadron, Space and Missile Systems Center at Los Angeles Air Force Base, California, where he led his unit during development, test and fielding of the ground control system for the first SBIRS geosynchronous satellite. Brig. Gen. Cothorn's joint assignment was in the U.S. Strategic Command's Center for Combating Weapons of Mass Destruction as Chief of the Requirements Integration Department.



Brig. Gen. Cothorn's joint assignment was in the U.S. Strategic Command's Center for Combating Weapons of Mass Destruction as Chief of the Requirements Integration Department.

Prior to his current assignment, the general served as the Assistant Program Director for Development at the F-35 Lightning II Joint Program Office, Arlington, Virginia. He led all aspects of fifth generation fighter modernization activities focused on delivering three F-35 variants to the Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, eight international partners and three foreign military sales nations, ultimately producing 3,170 aircraft and supporting air system elements utilizing over \$250 billion in U.S. funds. He directed a 1,194-person joint and multinational team, building and executing acquisition strategies for continued modernization and delivery of the F-35.

### EDUCATION

1993 Bachelor of Science, Aerospace Engineering, University of Central Florida, Orlando

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

2000 Master of Business Administration, California State University, Long Beach

2002 Master of Science, Organizational Leadership, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

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

2009 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2009 The Program Manager's Course, Defense Acquisition University, Fort Belvoir, Va.

2012 Master of National Resource Strategy, The Industrial College of the Armed Forces, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. September 1993–August 1995, Program Manager, 50th Logistics Support Squadron, Schreiver AFB, Colo.
2. August 1995–July 1996, Executive Officer, 50th Logistics Group, Schreiver AFB, Colo.
3. July 1996–March 1998, Program Manager, Milstar Operations Support Division, Military Satellite Communications Joint Program Office, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
4. March 1998–July 2000, Chief, Military Satellite Communications Programs Planning Branch, Military Satellite Communications Joint Program Office, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
5. July 2000–June 2002, Student, United States Air Force Intern Program, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
6. June 2002–July 2005, Chief, Satellite Command and Control Branch, then Program Manager, Missile Warning Systems, Space Systems Program Office, Signals Intelligence Directorate, National Reconnaissance Office, Chantilly, Va.
7. July 2005–June 2006, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
8. June 2006–June 2008, Deputy Chief, Future Systems Division, Developmental Planning Directorate, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
9. June 2008–July 2009, Chief, Space Systems Acquisition Division, Transformational Satellite Communications System Space Group, MILSATCOM Systems Wing, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
10. July 2009–August 2011, Commander, Space Based Infrared Systems Ground Squadron, then Materiel Leader, SBIRS Ground Systems Branch, SBIRS Ground Division, Infrared Space Systems Directorate, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
11. August 2011–June 2012, Student, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
12. June 2012–July 2014, Chief, Requirements Integration Department, Defense Threat Reduction Agency and U.S. Strategic Command's Center for Combating Weapons of Mass Destruction, Fort Belvoir, Va.
13. July 2014–June 2017, Senior Materiel Leader - Lower, Director, DoD Space Test Program and Chief, Space Demonstrations Division, Advanced Systems and Development Directorate, Space and Missile Systems Center, Kirtland AFB, N.M.
14. June 2017–June 2020, Senior Materiel Leader - Upper, Assistant Program Director for Development and Production, then Assistant Program Director for Development, F-35 Joint Program Office, Arlington, Va.
15. June 2020–August 2021, Vice Commander and Program Executive Officer for Space Enterprise Corps, Space and Missile Systems Center, U.S. Space Force, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
16. August 2021–Present, Deputy Commander and Program Executive Officer for Assured Access to Space, then Deputy Commander, Space Systems Command, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.

## **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

June 2012–July 2014, Chief, Requirements Integration Department, Defense Threat Reduction Agency and U.S. Strategic Command's Center for Combating Weapons of Mass Destruction, Fort Belvoir, Va., as a lieutenant colonel and colonel

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Defense Superior Service Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Legion of Merit  
Defense Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Joint Service Commendation Medal  
Air Force Achievement Medal  
Joint Meritorious Unit Award with oak leaf cluster  
Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with three oak leaf clusters

## **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant July 22, 1993  
First Lieutenant July 22, 1995  
Captain July 22, 1997

Major Dec. 1, 2003  
Lieutenant Colonel June 1, 2008  
Colonel Oct. 1, 2013  
Brigadier General July 3, 2019

(Current as of February 2022)

# JACK M. DAVIS

**Brigadier General, United States Army**

**Director, Walter Reed National Military Medical Center/ Deputy Director,**

**National Capital Region Market**

**Chief, Army Nurse Corps**



Brigadier General Jack M. Davis began his career as an Armor Officer. He completed Special Forces Assessment and Selection (SFAS), and subsequently served as a Special Forces A-Team leader. He began service in the U.S. Army Medical Department (AMEDD) in 1989. He recently served as the Commanding General, Regional Health Command-Pacific.

His first AMEDD assignment was at Brooke Army Medical Center in the Medical and Surgical section, with a follow-on assignment to the Surgical and Trauma Intensive Care Unit. He later served as the Chief Nurse, Officer-in-Charge of the U.S. Army Health Clinic at Yuma Proving Grounds in Yuma, Arizona. He attended the Family Nurse Practitioner Program at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, Maryland. BG Davis returned to Brooke Army Medical Center to serve as a primary care provider in the Family Medicine Clinic. He later established a new primary care clinic at Camp Bullis, Texas, and served as the activity's first Officer-in-Charge. BG Davis deployed to Iraq as the Brigade Surgeon of the 17th Field Artillery Brigade in support of OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM. After redeployment, he transferred to Korea and was assigned as the Officer-in-Charge of Wood Army Medical Clinic, Daegu, Korea. After Korea, BG Davis was assigned to the U.S. Army Medical Command at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, where he served as Chief of Nursing Operations in the Clinical Services Division. He was then assigned to Carl R. Darnall Army Medical Center, Fort Hood, Texas, as the Assistant Deputy Commander for Nursing. He served as the Chief Nurse and Chief of Clinical Operations, 1st Medical Brigade, Fort Hood, Texas, where he deployed in support of OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM in Afghanistan. After redeployment, BG Davis resumed his role as the 1st Medical Brigade Chief Nurse and Chief of Clinical Operations until his selection as Commander, 32d Medical Brigade, Joint Base San Antonio-Sam Houston, Texas. BG Davis served as the fourth Commandant of the Medical Education and Training Campus, Joint Base San Antonio-Sam Houston, Texas.

BG Davis' education includes two bachelor's degrees from Arizona State University and a Master of Nursing Science degree from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences. His military education includes the AMEDD Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, the Combined Arms Staff and Service School, Command and General Staff College, and the U.S. Army War College.

BG Davis' awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (1 Oak Leaf Cluster), Bronze Star Medal (1 Oak Leaf Cluster), Meritorious Service Medal (4 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (4 Oak Leaf Clusters), Meritorious Unit Citation, Army Superior Unit Award, National Defense Service Medal (1 Bronze Service Star), Afghanistan Campaign Medal (1 Campaign Star), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon (Numeral 3), NATO Medal, Special Forces Tab, Combat Medical Badge, Combat Action Badge, Expert Field Medical Badge, and Parachutist Badge.



## **Rear Admiral Michael H. Day** **Military Advisor to the Secretary** **U. S. Department of Homeland Security**



Rear Admiral Day is slated as the next 14<sup>th</sup> Coast Guard District Commander. In this role he will be responsible for directing Coast Guard operations throughout Oceania, including Hawai'i, Guam, the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, and activities in Singapore and Japan.



Rear Admiral Day served as Military Advisor to the Secretary of Homeland Security from June 2021 to April 2022. His primary responsibility was to provide counsel to the Secretary and Deputy Secretary regarding policies, plans, and other affairs between the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Defense.

Rear Admiral Day previously served as the Executive Assistant to the Commandant and the Vice Commandant of the Coast Guard providing senior executive decision support, advice, and recommendations to shape, communicate, and carry out strategic direction, policy, and internal/external communications.

Rear Admiral Day was commissioned in 1991 at Coast Guard Officer Candidate School and has enjoyed a diverse career of operational and staff assignments in the Response Ashore field. Previous assignments include serving in the Strategy and Policy Directorate (J5) for the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and Commanding Officer of the Pacific Strike Team, where he participated in a variety of emergency responses in locations ranging from the Arctic to Taiwan and throughout the United States. Rear Admiral Day also served as Commander of Sector New York from 2015- 2018. In this capacity, he served as Captain of the Port, Officer in Charge of Marine Inspection, Federal Maritime Security Coordinator, Search and Rescue Mission Coordinator, and Federal On-Scene Coordinator for Sector New York's 6,000 square miles area of responsibility

In response to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, as a Lieutenant and while serving as the Chief of Waterways Oversight in the Port of New York and New Jersey, he was immediately designated the Coast Guard on-scene commander for the evacuation of lower Manhattan. In this capacity, he coordinated the response of over 100 civilian vessels in evacuating over 500,000 people in the largest maritime evacuation in history.

Rear Admiral Day has earned Master's degrees in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island and in Public Administration from Bridgewater State University. Rear Admiral Day also completed a one-year fellowship at Harvard University Kennedy School of Government as a National Security Fellow and participated in a one-year Industry Training program with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey.

Rear Admiral Day has received numerous military and civic awards. However, he considers those awards earned throughout his career associated with unit performance to be most satisfying and representative of Coast Guard service, because they recognize the participation and accomplishment of all crew members.

## **BRIGADIER GENERAL DAVID S. DOYLE**

Brigadier General David Doyle received his commission in the Infantry from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1993 with a Bachelor of Science in Military History. His first assignment was with 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) joining the battalion on an operational deployment to Panama. He served as a Rifle Platoon Leader, Heavy Weapons Platoon Leader, Support Platoon Leader, Battalion Logistics Officer, and Battalion Assistant Operations Officer.

Upon completion of the Infantry Officer Advanced Course, BG Doyle served with the 2nd Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division. He assumed command of Bravo Company, 2-325th AIR in March of 1999. He then served with 3rd Ranger Battalion, beginning in July of 2000, as the Battalion Civil Affairs Officer, Battalion Air Operations Officer, and commander of Bravo Company deploying to combat operations in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom.



After command, BG Doyle served on the Ranger Regimental staff as the Regimental Strategic Requirements Officer before attending Command and General Staff College (CGSC) in 2004. After CGSC, he returned to 3rd Ranger Battalion from 2004 to 2008 and served as Liaison Officer, Operations Officer, and Executive Officer again deploying to both Afghanistan and Iraq. He then completed the School of Advanced Military Studies at Fort Leavenworth in 2009, prior to his assignment to the Joint Staff, in the Pakistan Afghanistan Coordination Cell, at the Pentagon.

Following service in the Pentagon, BG Doyle served as commander of the 2nd Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment from January 2010 through May of 2012. He deployed from January through April of 2010 with the 2-325th AIR in support of Operation Unified Response in Port au Prince, and again from May through December 2011 in support of Operation New Dawn.

After command, he completed the National War College in Washington, DC, between 2012 and 2013, earning recognition as a Distinguished Graduate. He then completed an assignment in 2013 as the Director of Operations, CJ3, for the NATO Special Operations Component Command – Afghanistan / Special Operations Joint Task Force – Afghanistan, serving in Kabul, Afghanistan. Following this assignment, he took command of 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry); the Commando Brigade. He deployed with the Commando Brigade to Kandahar, Afghanistan and served as the Deputy Commander for Train Advise Assist Command – South.

After command in 2016, BG Doyle served with the 7th Infantry Division, Task Force Bayonet, as the Division Chief of Staff. He then served as the Commander, Operations Group, at the Joint Readiness Training Center at Fort Polk, Louisiana from 2017 through the summer of 2018. After command, BG Doyle joined the Combined Joint Task Force, Operation Inherent Resolve in Baghdad, Iraq, as the Director of Operations, CJ3 in August of 2018. BG Doyle then served with the 82nd Airborne Division as the Deputy Commanding General - Support. BG Doyle rejoined the JRTC and Fort Polk at the Commanding General on 13 October 2020.

His awards include the Silver Star Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit with three oak leaf clusters, Bronze Star Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Defense Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Joint Service Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters, Army Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters, and Army Achievement Medal. He has also earned the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with arrowhead device, three Joint Meritorious Unit Awards, the Valorous Unit Award, the Afghan Campaign Ribbon with five service stars, the Iraq Campaign Ribbon with six service stars, the Operation Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal, the Humanitarian Assistance Award, the Armed Forces Services Medal and the NATO Medal with bronze service star. BG Doyle earned the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Expert Infantryman's Badge, the Air Assault Badge, Master Parachutist Badge with Bronze Service Star, Canadian Parachutist Badge, and the Ranger Tab.

BG Doyle's hobbies include all aspects of road cycling, literature regarding cognition and decision making, and following sports. His teams include the University of Texas Longhorns, the Dallas Cowboys, the San Antonio Spurs, and the Washington Nationals.



## BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN R. EDWARDS

Brig. Gen. John R. Edwards is the Director, Nuclear Enterprise Directorate, Defense Threat Reduction Agency, Fort Belvoir, Virginia. He leads an organization responsible for the surety, logistics, education, inspection oversight and contingency operations for nuclear weapons, as well as mission assurance of critical infrastructure supporting DTRA's vast enabling efforts to the U.S. Government, Department of Defense, and international allies and partners.

Brig. Gen. Edwards graduated from the University of Hawaii's Air Force ROTC program in 1995. He later earned his navigator wings and naval flight officer rating from Pensacola Naval Air Station, Florida. He commanded the 28th Bomb Wing at Ellsworth Air Force Base, South Dakota, the 479th Flying Training Group at Pensacola Naval Air Station, Florida, and the 96th Bomb Squadron at Barksdale AFB, Louisiana. He also served in various key staff positions on the Joint Staff J-8 Force Structure, Resources and Assessment Directorate, U.S. Air Forces Central Command, and U.S. Air Force Headquarters Executive Action Group. Prior to his current assignment, he was the Director of the Secretary and Chief of Staff of the Air Force Executive Action Group.

Brig. Gen. Edwards is a master combat systems officer with more than 2,500 flight hours, including 237 combat hours in Operations Allied Force and Enduring Freedom.

### EDUCATION

- 1995 Bachelor of Science, Computer Science, University of Hawaii, Honolulu
- 2000 Weapons Instructor Course, Distinguished Graduate, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.
- 2001 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2003 Master of Arts, Organizational Science, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.
- 2007 Master of Military Operational Arts & Sciences, Distinguished Graduate, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2008 Master of Airpower Art & Science, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2009 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2013 National Defense Fellow, Stimson Center, Washington, D.C.
- 2013 Joint and Combined Warfighting School, National Defense University, Norfolk, Va.
- 2015 Leadership Development Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 2017 Enterprise Perspective Seminar, Washington, D.C.
- 2020 National and International Security Leadership Seminar, Alexandria, Va.
- 2020 Innovation and Design Thinking, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston
- 2021 Diversity and Inclusion for Organizational Excellence, Stanford University, Stanford, Calif.
- 2021 Cyber Operations Executive Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

### ASSIGNMENTS

- July 1995–November 1996, Student, Joint Specialized Navigator Training, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas
- December 1996–May 1997, Student, B-52H Formal Training Unit, Barksdale AFB, La.
- June 1997–December 2000, B-52H Electronic Warfare Officer, Flight Scheduler, Instructor, then Chief of Flight Scheduling, 20th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, La.
- January 2001–June 2002, Weapons Officer, Flight Examiner and Assistant Flight Commander, 96th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, La.
- July 2002–May 2003, Air Force Intern Program, rotations on the Joint Staff J-3 Operations Directorate and the Air Staff's Air and Space Operations Checkmate Division, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
- June 2003–September 2003, Action Officer, Secretary of the Air Force and Chief of Staff Executive Action Group, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.



### EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

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| Second Lieutenant<br>May 14, 1995    |  |
| First Lieutenant<br>May 31, 1997     |  |
| Captain<br>May 31, 1999              |  |
| Major<br>November 01, 2005           |  |
| Lieutenant Colonel<br>March 01, 2009 |  |
| Colonel<br>October 01, 2014          |  |
| Brigadier General<br>August 14, 2020 |  |

7. October 2003–July 2006, Instructor and Flight Commander, 340th Weapons Squadron, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, 57th Wing, Nellis AFB, Nev.
8. August 2006–June 2007, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
9. July 2007–June 2008, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
10. July 2008–July 2010, Branch Chief, then Deputy Division Chief, Strategy and Plans, 9th Air Force and U.S. Air Forces Central Command, Shaw AFB, S.C.
11. August 2010–February 2011, Chief of Safety, 2nd Bomb Wing, Barksdale AFB, La.
12. March 2011–June 2012, Commander, 96th Bomb Squadron, Barksdale AFB, La.
13. July 2012–August 2013, National Defense Visiting Fellow, Stimson Center, Washington, D.C.
14. September 2013–June 2015, Chief of Future Strategic Concepts, then Director Joint Strategic Innovation Group, J-8 Force Structure, Resources, and Assessment Directorate, Joint Staff, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
15. July 2015–July 2017, Commander, 479th Flying Training Group, Pensacola Naval Air Station, Fla.
16. August 2017–May 2019, Commander, 28th Bomb Wing, Ellsworth AFB, S.D.
17. June 2019–May 2020, Director, Secretary of the Air Force and Chief of Staff of the Air Force Executive Action Group, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
18. June 2020–present, Director, Nuclear Enterprise Directorate, Defense Threat Reduction Agency, Fort Belvoir, Va.

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

1. September 2013–June 2015, Chief of Future Strategic Concepts, then Director Joint Strategic Innovation Group, J-8 Force Structure, Resources, and Assessment Directorate, Joint Staff, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a lieutenant colonel and colonel
2. June 2020–present, Director, Nuclear Enterprise Directorate, Defense Threat Reduction Agency, Fort Belvoir, Va., as a colonel and brigadier general

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: master combat systems officer  
Flight hours: more than 2,500, including more than 235 combat hours  
Aircraft: B-1, B-52 T-1, T-6, T-37, T-39, T-43

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

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

#### **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

2011 Operation Linebacker Trophy for Best B-52 squadron in U.S. Air Force  
2018 & 2019 Commander in Chief Installation Excellence Award for Best Base in Air Force Global Strike Command  
2019 Aviation Week and Space Technology International Laureate Award for Innovation  
2019 Brigadier General Frederick Castle Award for Best Bomb Wing in U.S. Air Force

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

The Role of U.S. Nuclear Weapons in Assuring South Korea, Nuclear Notes, Center for Strategic and International Studies, 2013  
David C. Jones, Air Force Magazine, August 2014

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

Second Lieutenant May 14, 1995  
First Lieutenant May 31, 1997  
Captain May 31, 1999  
Major November 1, 2005  
Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2009  
Colonel October 1, 2014  
Brigadier General August 14, 2020

(Current as of November 2021)





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



## BRIGADIER GENERAL STEVEN G. EDWARDS

Brig. Gen. Steven Edwards is the Chief of Staff, Headquarters United States Air Forces in Europe and Air Forces Africa, Ramstein Air Base, Germany. He develops and implements, policies, plans and programs on behalf of the Commander for the strategic planning and operational execution of forces in support of U.S. European Command and U.S. Africa Command. He concurrently directs and supervises the organization and administration of the Headquarters USAFE-AFACRICA staff, consisting of more than 2,000 personnel, including 13 general officers and 48 colonels and guides the overall management and sustainment of forces across two areas of responsibility spanning 104 countries.

Brig. Gen. Edwards was born and raised in Missoula, Montana. After serving in the Army for four years as a warrant officer, he received his commission through the Officer Training School at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama and has spent a majority of his career in special operations aviation assignments. He is a command pilot with more than 3,800 flying hours, including 250 combat/support hours in Iraq and Afghanistan in a variety of rotary wing and remotely piloted aircraft.



### EDUCATION

1994 Bachelor of Science, Professional Aeronautics, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Fla.  
1998 Master of Aeronautical Science, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Fla.  
2000 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.  
2003 U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Hurlburt Field, Fla.  
2006 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence  
2008 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2009 Master of Airpower Art and Science, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2012 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence  
2014 Master of Strategic Studies, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. February 1991–May 1991, Army Basic Training, Fort Jackson, S.C.
2. May 1991–May 1992, Student, Warrant Officer Flight Training School, Fort Rucker, Ala.
3. May 1992–May 1993, OH-58C Helicopter Pilot, 1/123 Attack Aviation Battalion, Fort Ord, Calif.
4. May 1993–January 1995, OH-58C Helicopter Pilot, 1/4 Attack Aviation Battalion, Fort Carson, Colo.
5. January 1995–May 1995, Student, Air Force Officer Training School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
6. May 1995–August 1998, HH-1H Examiner Helicopter Pilot, Minot AFB, N.D.
7. August 1998–May 1999, Student, MH-53J Qualification Course, Kirtland AFB, N.M.
8. May 1999–May 2000, MH-53J Aircraft Commander, 31st Special Ops Squadron, Osan Air Base, South Korea
9. May 2000–June 2003, MH-53M Flight Examiner and Chief of Standards/Evaluation, 21st Special Ops Squadron, Royal Air Force Mildenhall, United Kingdom
10. June 2003–December 2003, Student, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, 14th Weapons Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla.

11. January 2004–July 2005, Flight Commander/MH-53M Weapons Officer/Flight Examiner, 20th Special Operations Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
12. July 2005–August 2007, Assistant Operations Officer/Director, MH-53 Weapons Instructor Course, 14th Weapons Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
13. August 2007–August 2008, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
14. August 2008–July 2009, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
15. July 2009–June 2010, Chief of Long-Range Planning, Headquarters Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
16. June 2010–January 2011, Operations Officer, 3d Special Operations Squadron, Cannon AFB, N.M.
17. January 2011–May 2013, Commander, 33d Special Operations Squadron, Cannon AFB, N.M.
18. June 2013–June 2014, Student, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.
19. July 2014–June 2016, Commander, 435th Contingency Response Group, Ramstein AB, Germany
20. June 2016–May 2017, Commander, 1st Expeditionary Special Operations Wing, Al Udeid, Qatar and Bagram AB, Afghanistan
21. June 2017–July 2019, Special Assistant to the Commander, United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command/U.S. Forces Korea, South Korea
22. August 2019–March 2020, President, Joint Special Operations University, MacDill AFB, Fla.
23. March 2020–June 2021, Director, Strategic Plans, Programs, and Requirements, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
24. July 2021–present, Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Forces in Europe and Air Forces Africa, Ramstein AB, Germany

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command pilot

Flight Hours: more than 3,800

Aircraft Flown: UH-1, OH-58 A/C, HH-1H, MH-53J, MH-53M, MQ-1B, MQ-9

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

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit

Distinguished Flying Cross with "V" device

Bronze Star Medal

Purple Heart

Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Air Medal

Aerial Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

Joint Service Commendation Medal

#### **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

2004 Air Force Special Operations Command Pilot of the Year

2004 Koren Kolligian Jr. Trophy Recipient

2004 Air Force Valor Award Recipient

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

Second Lieutenant May 5, 1995

First Lieutenant May 5, 1997

Captain May 5, 1999

Major June 1, 2005

Lieutenant Colonel Feb. 1, 2010

Colonel Oct. 1, 2014

Brigadier General May 1, 2020

(Current as of July 2021)



## Rear Admiral Dion D. English

### Director, Logistics, Fleet Supply and Ordnance, N4, U.S. Pacific Fleet



Rear Adm. Dion English is a native of Monroeville, Alabama and of Slidell, Louisiana. English attended the Navy's Broadened Opportunity for Officer Selection and Training program. He graduated from Louisiana State University in 1993 with a bachelor's degree and was commissioned through the Navy Reserve Officers' Training Corps program at Southern University in 1993. He subsequently earned a Master's in Business Administration from Old Dominion University and a master's degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College. He is a 2007 graduate of the Joint Forces Staff College, and attended the Executive Program in Strategy and Organization at the Stanford Graduate School of Business.

His afloat assignments include disbursing and sales officer, USS Scott (DDG 995); cargo and stock control officer, USNS

San Diego (T-AFS 6); supply officer, USS Barry (DDG 52); and commanding officer, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Expeditionary Support Unit ONE.

His shore assignments include ship force support officer, Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Newport News, Virginia; executive assistant to the Commander, Defense Supply Center Columbus, Ohio; deputy logistics operations officer, Joint Task Force Civil Support (JTF-CS), Fort Monroe, Virginia; logistics readiness officer, Logistics Current Operations Division, Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet; director, Supply Corps Detailing, Navy Personnel Command (PERS-4412); commanding officer, Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP) Fleet Logistics Center (FLC) Sigonella; and deputy director, supply and distribution, J44, Joint Staff, Washington, District of Columbia.

English is designated as a Surface Warfare Supply Corps Officer and as a Navy Expeditionary Supply Corps Officer. He is a member of the Defense Acquisition Corps and is a Joint Qualified Officer. While under his command, NAVSUP FLC Sigonella earned recognition in partnership with the team that received the prestigious Admiral Stan Arthur Award for 2018 Logistics Team of the Year.

His personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, and Navy Achievement Medal.

**Brigadier General Phillip N. Fietze**  
**United States Marine Corps**  
**Commanding General**  
**1st Marine Logistics Group**



Brigadier General Phillip N. Fietze hails from Las Cruces, New Mexico and is a graduate of New Mexico State University. He was commissioned through the Officer Candidate Course Program in August 1991 and attended The Basic School, the Marine Corps Engineer Officer's Course, the U.S. Army Engineer Officer's Advanced Course, Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Joint Forces Staff College, Defense Language Institute, the Argentine Ministry of Defense War College, and is a Regional Area Officer for South America.

His service spans all elements of the Marine Air Ground Task Force, with command and staff assignments at all levels.

Command time with the Fleet Marine Forces include: Construction Platoon Commander, Marine Wing Support Squadron-374, Commanding Officer, Headquarters Company, Marine Wing Support Group-37, 3d Marine Air Wing; Inspector-Instructor, C Company, 4th Combat Engineer Battalion, 4th Marine Division; Commanding Officer, Engineer Support Company, 9th Engineer Support Battalion, 3d Force Service Support Group; Commanding Officer, 7th Engineer Support Battalion, 1st Marine Logistics Group; Commanding Officer, Headquarters Regiment, 1st Marine Logistics Group; and Commander, U.S. Marine Forces South.

Staff assignments include serving as the Assistant Operations and Plans Officer, Marine Wing Support Group-37, 3d Marine Aircraft Wing; Facilities Engineers, Marine Corps Base Okinawa, Japan; Executive Officer, Combat Logistics Battalion-22, 2d Marine Logistics Group; G3 Operations Officer, 2d Marine Logistics Group; G4 Engineer Officer, II Marine Expeditionary Force; Executive Officer, Combat Logistics Regiment-15, 1st Marine Logistics Group; Branch Head for Engineering and Explosive Ordnance Disposal, Deputy Commandant Installation and Logistics; G3 Operations Officer, 1st Marine Logistics Group, and Deputy Director, Capabilities Development Directorate, Deputy Commandant, Combat Development and Integration.

Joint assignments include Engineer Plans Officer, Joint Task Force – North, Northern Command and Civil Military Operations Officer, Combined Joint Task Force – Horn of Africa.

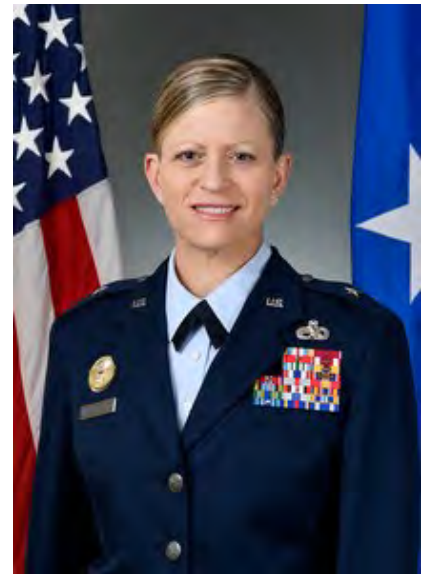
BGen Fietze assumed his current duties as the Commanding General of the 1st Marine Logistics Group in April 2021.



## BRIGADIER GENERAL JENNIFER HAMMERSTEDT

Brig. Gen. Jennifer Hammerstedt is the Commander, Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex, Robins Air Force Base, Georgia. As the commander, she serves a world-class workforce of more than 7,200 personnel. The Complex performs programmed depot maintenance and modification on all variants of the F-15, C-130, C-5, C-17 and special operations forces aircraft as well as the RQ-4, E-8C and TH-1H. Additionally, she is responsible for the maintenance, repair and overhaul of diverse aircraft components, avionics and electronic warfare equipment along with development and sustainment of mission critical software, test program sets and automated test equipment.

Brig. Gen. Hammerstedt received her commission from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1996. During her career, Brig. Gen. Hammerstedt has led flightline maintenance and munitions operations in seven different Air Force wings. She deployed worldwide in support of operations Northern and Southern Watch, Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom and New Dawn, including two deployed squadron commands. Brig. Gen. Hammerstedt has commanded at the squadron, group and wing levels, as well as served in key staff positions on two Air Force major command staffs, as an Air Force Legislative Fellow and as a Military Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of Defense.



### EDUCATION

- 1992 New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell
- 1996 Bachelor of Science, Human Factors Engineering, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 2000 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2001 Masters Degree in Human Resource Management, Troy State University, Ala.
- 2004 USAF Advanced Maintenance and Munitions Officer School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
- 2006 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2009 Intermediate Developmental Education, Air Force Legislative Fellow, Washington, D.C.
- 2010 Certificate in Legislative Studies, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.
- 2011 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2014 Masters of Science Degree in National Security Strategy, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 2016 Executive Champions Lean Six Sigma Certification, North Carolina State University
- 2016 The Depot & Arsenal Executive Leadership Program, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. October 1996–May 1997, Sortie Support Flight Commander, 358th Fighter Squadron, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz.
2. May 1997–January 1999, Munitions Flight Commander, 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
3. January 1999–December 2001, Sortie Support and Sortie Generation Flight Commander, 19th Fighter Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
4. December 2001–January 2003, Executive Officer to the Director, Headquarters Air Combat Command Directorate of Maintenance and Logistics, Langley AFB, Va.
5. January 2003–January 2005, Chief of Maintenance Manpower and Personnel, Headquarters Air Combat Command Directorate of Maintenance and Logistics, Langley AFB, Va. (January 2004–April 2004, Student, U.S. Air Force Advanced Maintenance and Munitions Officer School, Nellis AFB, Nev.)
6. January 2005–January 2006, Officer in Charge of 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, 8th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Kunsan Air Base, South Korea
7. January 2006–July 2008, Operations Officer, 33d Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Eglin AFB, Fla. (September 2007–January 2008, Commander, 455th Expeditionary Maintenance Squadron, Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan)
8. July 2008–December 2009, Air Force Legislative Fellow, Student, Intermediate Developmental Education
9. December 2009–May 2010, Air Force Legislative Liaison Officer, Legislative Liaison, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

### EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

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| Second Lieutenant<br>May 29, 1996      |  |
| First Lieutenant<br>May 01, 1998       |  |
| Captain<br>May 01, 2000                |  |
| Major<br>May 01, 2006                  |  |
| Lieutenant Colonel<br>March 01, 2010   |  |
| Colonel<br>October 01, 2014            |  |
| Brigadier General<br>November 02, 2020 |  |

10. June 2010–June 2011, Commander, 379th Expeditionary Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Al Udeid AB, Qatar
11. July 2011–June 2012, Chief, Commander's Action Group, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
12. June 2012–August 2013, Executive Officer to the Commander, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
13. August 2013–June 2014, Student, National War College, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
14. July 2014–June 2016, Commander, 402nd Aircraft Maintenance Group, Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex, Robins AFB, Ga.
15. June 2016–April 2018, Commander, 75th Air Base Wing, Hill AFB, Utah
16. April 2018–July 2020, Principal Military Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of Defense, Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va
17. July 2020–present, Commander, Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex, Robins AFB, Ga.

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

1. April 2018–July 2020, Principal Military Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of Defense, Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Arlington Va., as a colonel

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

Defense Superior Service Medal  
Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster  
Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Joint Service Commendation Medal  
Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Air Force-level Lt Gen Leo Marquez Field Grade Manager of the Year Award Winner – 2007

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

Second Lieutenant May 29, 1996  
First Lieutenant May 1, 1998  
Captain May 1, 2000  
Major May 1, 2006  
Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2010  
Colonel Oct. 1, 2014  
Brigadier General Nov. 2, 2020

(Current as of January 2021)





**Brigadier General Daryl O. Hood**  
**Deputy Director of Operations, Team Four, J-3, Joint Staff**  
**National Joint Operations Intelligence Center, National Military Command Center, Pentagon**

Brig. Gen. Hood received his commission from the University of Georgia in 1991 with a bachelor's degree in Agriculture Technology Management. He holds two master's degrees: 1) Human Resources from Webster University and 2) Strategic Studies from the Air University. He is a graduate of the Chemical Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Combined Arms Services Staff School, Army Command and General Staff College, and Air Force Senior Service College.

Brig. Gen. Hood has served in a variety of command and staff assignments located in the United States, Europe, South Korea, Middle East, and Central Asia. He also deployed as the Chemical Officer for 2d Armored Cavalry Regiment and 1st Armored Division Forward as part of OPERATION JOINT ENDEAVOR, Bosnia Herzegovina in 1997; Executive Officer for 23d Chemical Battalion and Task Force Cincinnatus, OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM (OEF), Afghanistan in 2007; J3 USCENTCOM Liaison Officer to ISAF and USFOR-A, Afghanistan in 2010.

While at the Pentagon from 2017-2019, Brig. Gen. Hood served as the Chief, Full Dimension Protection Division, G8, HQDA and the Deputy Director, Joint Requirements Office for Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) Defense, J8, Joint Staff. From 2019-2021, he served as the 31st Chief of Chemical and Commandant, U.S. Army CBRN School.



## **Brigadier General Peter D. Huntley** Director, Operations Division, Plans, Policies & Operations

Brigadier General Huntley enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1984 and served three years with the 1st Ranger Battalion before receiving an honorable discharge in 1987. In December 1991 he received a commission in the U.S. Marine Corps through the Platoon Leader's Course.

After completing Infantry Officer's Course in 1992, he reported to 1st Battalion, 9th Marines and deployed as a Platoon Commander to Somalia in support of Operation UNISOM II. After returning to Camp Pendleton, he was reassigned as a Company Executive Officer in 2d Battalion, 1st Marines and completed another deployment as part of WESTPAC 95.

Following graduation from career level school, he served as Operations Officer for 45 Commando Group (Royal Marines) during peace keeping operations in the Balkans (2000) and during the early phases of the United Kingdom's participation in Afghanistan (2001-2002). After returning to the United States, he reported to 3d Battalion, 6th Marines where he commanded Task Force Kabul during operations in support of the U.S. Embassy in Afghanistan (2002) and served as the Battalion Executive Officer during deployment for operations in eastern Afghanistan (2004).



In 2005, he deployed as the Operations Officer for the II MEF Iraqi Security Force Cell in Al Anbar supporting the introduction and employment of regular Iraqi Army units into that province. From 2006-2009 Brigadier General Huntley served as a Regional Affairs Officer, conducting multiple deployments in support of the Global War on Terrorism. From 2009-2011, he has served as the Commander of 2d Marine Special Operations Battalion and Special Operations Task Force – West in Afghanistan.

Following graduation from the National War College, Brigadier General Huntley served as Deputy, then Director for CT Operations within the Office of the Secretary of Defense (2012-2014). From 2014-2015, Brigadier General Huntley served as Director of Operations and Plans for the Combined Joint Interagency Task Force-Syria. During the period 2015-2017 he served as Commanding Officer, Marine Raider Regiment. Also, during 2017 Brigadier General Huntley served as Commanding Officer, Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-Iraq during the clearance of Mosul, Tal Afar, Hawijah, and Al Qa'im.

Brigadier General Huntley went on to serve as the Chief of Staff, Joint Special Operations Command 2018-2019 and the Deputy Commander Marine Forces Special Operations Command 2019-2020. Currently serving as Director, Operations Division, Plans Policies and Operations.



# BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



## BRIGADIER GENERAL GREGORY KREUDER

Brig. Gen. Gregory Kreuder is the Commander, 56th Fighter Wing, Luke Air Force Base, Arizona. The wing's mission is to train the world's greatest fighter pilots and combat ready Airmen. As part of Air Education and Training Command, and home to 28 squadrons with both F-16 Fighting Falcon and F-35A Lightning II aircraft, the 56th FW is the largest fighter wing in the Air Force and graduates more than 105 F-35 pilots, 188 F-16 pilots and 300 air control professionals annually. Additionally, the 56th FW oversees the Gila Bend Air Force Auxiliary Field and is steward of the Barry M. Goldwater Range, a military training range spanning more than 1.7 million acres of Sonoran desert.

Brig. Gen. Kreuder commissioned in 1995 as a distinguished graduate of officer training school. His fighter assignments include duties as an instructor pilot, flight examiner, weapons officer, operations officer, squadron commander, vice wing commander, and air operations center commander. He is a command pilot with more than 2,700 hours in the F-16 Fighting Falcon, including 350 combat hours. Prior to Brig. Gen. Kreuder's current assignment, he served as the Senior Defense Official, Defense Attaché-Iraq, Baghdad.



### EDUCATION

1991 Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering, Rice University, Houston  
1994 Master of Science, Aerospace Engineering, University of Texas, Austin  
2001 Distinguished Graduate, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.  
2004 F-16 Weapons Instructor Course, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.  
2008 Master of Military Operational Art & Science, Air Command & Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2008 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence  
2009 Master of Airpower Art & Science, School of Advance Air & Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2016 Master of Science in National Security Strategy, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1995–August 1996, Outstanding Graduate, Joint Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training, Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas
2. January 1997–July 1997, Student, F-16 Training, Luke AFB, Ariz.
3. September 1997–September 1998, Fighter Pilot, 35th Fighter Squadron, Kunsan Air Base, South Korea
4. October 1998–December 2000, Flight Lead, 69th Fighter Squadron, Moody AFB, Ga.
5. January 2001–January 2004, Instructor Pilot, Flight Examiner, Flight Commander, 310th Fighter Squadron, Luke AFB, Ariz.
6. January 2004–June 2004, Student, F-16 Weapons Instructor Course, Nellis AFB, Nev.
7. July 2004–August 2006, Weapons Officer, Flight Commander, 523rd Fighter Squadron, and Chief, Wing Weapons and Tactics, 27th Operational Support Squadron, Cannon AFB, N.M.
8. August 2006–August 2007, Wing Weapons and Tactics Flight Commander, 51st Operational Support Squadron, Osan AB, South Korea
9. August 2007–June 2008, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
10. July 2008–June 2009, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

11. August 2009–June 2012, Director of Operations, 14th Fighter Squadron, and Commander, 13th Fighter Squadron, Misawa AB, Japan
12. July 2012–July 2014, Joint Doctrine Planner; Executive Assistant to the Director, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
13. July 2014–July 2015, Vice Commander, 31st Fighter Wing, Aviano AB, Italy
14. July 2015–June 2016, Student, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
15. June 2016–June 2017, Chief, Air Force Division, United States Military Training Mission, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
16. June 2017–March 2019, Commander, 607th Air Operations Center, headquarters Seventh Air Force, Osan AB, South Korea
17. March 2019–June 2019, Deputy Chief, Office of Security Cooperation – Iraq, U.S. Embassy Baghdad
18. June 2019–May 2020, Senior Defense Official, Defense Attaché – Iraq, U.S. Embassy Baghdad
19. May 2020–present, Commander, 56th Fighter Wing, Luke AFB, Ariz.

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

1. July 2012–July 2014, Joint Doctrine Planner and Executive Assistant to the Director, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a lieutenant colonel
2. June 2016–June 2017, Chief, Air Force Division, United States Military Training Mission, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, as a colonel
3. March 2019–June 2019, Deputy Chief, Office of Security Cooperation – Iraq, U.S. Embassy Baghdad, as a colonel
4. June 2019–May 2020, Senior Defense Official, Defense Attaché – Iraq, U.S. Embassy Baghdad, as a brigadier general

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: 3,000

Aircraft flown: F-35, T-37, T-38, F-16 Blocks 25-52

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

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with silver oak leaf cluster

Air Medal with three bronze oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with bronze oak leaf cluster

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

Second Lieutenant June 23, 1995

First Lieutenant June 23, 1997

Captain June 23, 1999

Major November 1, 2005

Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2009

Colonel October 1, 2014

Brigadier General April 2, 2020

(Current as of May 2020)

# Rear Admiral Kevin P. Lenox

## Deputy Director for Operations, J3, U.S. Central Command

Rear Adm. Kevin Lenox is a native of Princeton Junction, New Jersey and a 1990 Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps graduate of Duke University where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering. He holds a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies with distinction from the U.S. Naval War College and is an honors graduate of the Navy's Nuclear Power Program.



As a Naval aviator, Lenox has more than 3,700 flight hours in the SH-60F and HH-60H helicopters. His operational assignments include Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron 8(HS-8), Carrier Air Wing 5 (CVW-5) embarked aboard USS Kitty Hawk, HS-4, and executive officer, USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76).

His shore assignments include flight instructor duty with HS-10; team lead for all Naval Helicopter Weapon Systems at Naval Air Systems Command (PMA-299); and director, Joint Forces Component Command for Space, Missile Warning Center inside Cheyenne Mountain, Colorado where he qualified to be a member of the Navy Space Cadre.

Command tours include tours with HS-7; USS Denver (LPD 9) forward deployed to Sasebo, Japan; and USS Nimitz (CVN 68), where he completed a successful combat deployment in support of Operation Inherent Resolve.

He assumed his current duties as deputy director of Operations, U.S. Central Command in December 2020.

Lenox's awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, and Meritorious Service Medal along with various other personal, campaign, and service awards.



# Rear Admiral Carola List

Assistant Commandant for Engineering & Logistics (CG-4)

U.S. Coast Guard

Rear Admiral List

assumed the duties of the Assistant Commandant for Engineering and Logistics (CG-4) in April of 2021. As the Coast Guard's "Chief Engineer", she is responsible for all civil, aeronautical, naval, industrial engineering, including logistics for the service's 25,000 facilities, 2,100 cutters and boats and 200 aircraft. Leading a 5,600 plus workforce assigned across Coast Guard Headquarters, Aviation Logistics Center, Surface Force Logistics



Center, Shore Infrastructure Logistics Center, and the Coast Guard Yard, she is responsible for developing, deploying and maintaining the resources necessary to sustain Service capabilities to meet operational requirements in support of the Coast Guard's five fundamental roles of Maritime Safety, Maritime Security, Maritime Mobility, National Defense, and Protection of Natural Resources, executing an annual budget of nearly \$1 billion.

Previously, RDML List served as the Executive Assistant to the Deputy Commandant of Mission Support where she coordinated Headquarters and field activities for a

17,000-person mission support organization that delivers the systems and people that enable the Coast Guard to efficiently and effectively perform its operational missions.

A career naval aviator with over 4,800 flight hours, RDML List served as the Commanding Officer of Air Station Sacramento, California standing up the first HC-27J fixed-wing unit for the Coast Guard. Her other operational assignments include Executive Officer Air Station Barbers Point, Hawaii; Engineering Officer Air Station Los Angeles, California; Engineering Officer Air Station Clearwater, Florida; and Air Station San Diego, California.

Her staff assignments include Coast Guard District One; HC-144 Fixed Wing Systems Manager, Aeronautical Engineering Systems Chief; and Chief of the Office of Aeronautical Engineering where she was responsible for leading engineering, maintenance, and logistics efforts for the service. She also has served as Program Manager in the Office of Acquisition Programs, responsible for a \$900 million cutter and response boat acquisition program executing the initial deployment of the long range interceptor (LRI) and over the horizon (OTH) boats to fast response cutters (FRC) and national security cutters (NSCs); and the deployment of the response-boat medium (RBM) to the Service.

RDML List was commissioned in the United States Coast Guard in 1991, and attended flight training at Naval Air Station Pensacola, Florida. She is a U.S. Coast Guard designated Aeronautical Engineering Officer, and qualified Aircraft Commander and Instructor Pilot, having flown the MH-65 Dolphin and HH-60J Jayhawk helicopters as well as the HC-27J Spartan fixed wing aircraft.

RDML List holds a Master of Science in National Resource Strategy from the National Defense University, Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy; a Master of Science in Quality Systems Management; a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration; is a graduate of the Defense Acquisition University's Senior Acquisition course, and has earned DHS Program Management and Logistics Acquisition certifications.



## Rear Admiral Jason M. Lloyd

### Chief Engineer and Deputy Commander for Ship Design, Integration and Naval Engineering, SEA-05, Naval Sea Systems Command



Rear Adm. Jason Lloyd, a native of Maryville, Tennessee, enlisted in the Naval Nuclear Propulsion program in 1986. He was subsequently selected into the NROTC program, graduated from Florida State University with a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering and was commissioned in 1992. He also holds a Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering from the Naval Postgraduate School.

His shipboard tours include USS Bainbridge (CGN 25) and USS Nimitz (CVN 68). From May 2013 until June 2016, he served as the first reactor officer on USS Gerald R. Ford (CVN 78) in Newport News, Virginia. During these assignments, Lloyd conducted deployments to the Mediterranean Sea and North Atlantic Ocean as well as executed a Refueling Complex Overhaul and a New

Construction testing program.

Ashore, Lloyd served as a deputy Project Superintendent at Norfolk Naval Shipyard, maintenance coordinator at Commander Naval Air Forces, principal assistant program manager at PEO Carriers, Program Manager Representative for Refueling Complex Overhaul and Program Manager Representative for New Construction Carriers at the Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Newport News. Following his Reactor Officer tour, Lloyd served as executive assistant to Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command. From June, 2017 until March, 2020 Lloyd served as the commanding officer of the Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Newport News, Virginia. In May 2020, Lloyd assumed duties as chief engineer and deputy commander for Naval Engineering and Logistics, Naval Sea Systems Command.

As the Navy's chief engineer and NAVSEA deputy commander for Naval Engineering and Logistics, Lloyd leads the engineering and scientific expertise, knowledge and technical authority necessary to design, build, maintain, repair, modernize, certify and dispose of the Navy's ships, aircraft carriers, submarines and associated combat and weapons systems.

He is authorized to wear the Legion of Merit (three awards), Meritorious Service Medal (four awards), the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (four awards), Navy Achievement Medal (two awards) in addition to various unit awards.

**REAR ADMIRAL MARK A. MELSON**  
**Deputy Director for Joint Force Integration, J7, Joint Staff**

Rear Adm. Melson is a native of Dubuque, Iowa. He graduated from the University of Utah in 1992 and was awarded the Utah NROTC Unit Distinguished Naval Graduate upon commissioning. He earned a master's degree from the Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy in 2014, with a focus on the aircraft industry.

Melson was designated a Naval Flight Officer in 1994 and has served in operational tours worldwide. Sea tours include VP-26, USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV 67) as assistant navigator, and VP-9. He commanded VP-16 and served as Executive Officer and Commanding Officer in USS MAKIN ISLAND (LHD 8), during which time the ship was awarded the Battle "E" and the Admiral Flatley award for operational and safety excellence in aviation operations.

Ashore, Melson has served as: Flag Lieutenant / Flag Aide Commander, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Forces (CTF-67), U.S. Sixth Fleet; P-3 Aviation Assignments Officer for shore and sea detailing at Navy Personnel Command; Naval Aide to the Vice President of the United States, serving in the White House; Deputy Director, Navy Senate Liaison; Senior Military Assistant to the Supreme Allied Commander Europe (SACEUR), Mons, Belgium; and Executive Assistant to OPNAV N3N5.

He assumed his role as Deputy Director for Joint Force Integration, J7, in June 2020.

Rear Adm. Melson's personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal (2), Legion of Merit (2), Meritorious Service Medal (2) and other various service and joint awards.





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## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN P. NEWBERRY

Brig. Gen. John P. Newberry is the Air Force Program Executive Officer for Bombers, Bombers Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. He is responsible for the sustainment and modernization of the bombers portfolio, which includes the B-1, B-2, and B-52. He is also responsible for organizing, training, and equipping the Center's B-21 System Program Office.

General Newberry entered active duty in 1994 after graduating from United States Air Force Academy with a degree in Aeronautical Engineering. During his career he served in a variety of acquisition fields including space test, flight test, systems engineering, program manager of several aircraft acquisition programs, to include foreign military sales programs, Deputy Program Executive Office (DPEO) for Air Force Mobility, and KC-46 System Program Manager. Prior to his current assignment, he was the Air Force PEO for Tankers, responsible for the planning and execution of all life cycle activities for the Air Force's tanker fleet. His previous staff assignments included Program Element Monitor for air refueling tankers, and Joint Staff J8, where he oversaw strategic and tactical major defense acquisition programs for the Department of Defense. General Newberry commanded the 546th Aircraft Sustainment Squadron, Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center, where he provided contractor logistics support to a total of sixty-nine aircraft across eight different fleets, comprised mainly of the E-4B, RC-26, C-12, and Iraq foreign military sales. He deployed to Afghanistan in 2007 as a procurement officer, equipping the Afghan National Army.



#### EDUCATION

- 1994 Bachelor of Science, Aeronautical Engineering, United States Air Force Academy, Colo.
- 2000 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2000 Master of Aeronautical Sciences, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Fla.
- 2005 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2006 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2008 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2009 Program Manager's Course, Defense Acquisition University, Fort Belvoir, Va.
- 2011 Master of National Security Strategy, National War College, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 2014 Executive Program Manager's Course, Defense Acquisition University, Fort Belvoir, Va.

#### ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1994 – August 1997, Missile Systems Engineer, Space and Missile Systems Center, Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif.

2. August 1997 – January 2001, Gunship Flight Commander, Detachment 1, 46<sup>th</sup> Operations Group, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
3. January 2001 – August 2003, Chief, C-17 Systems Integration and Executive Officer, C-17 System Program Office, Aeronautical Systems Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
4. August 2003 – January 2004, Director, Inter-Theater Airlift Programs, Air Force Program Executive Office for Airlift and Trainers, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
5. January 2004 – July 2005, KC-135 Recapitalization Staff Officer and KC-135 / KC-10 Program Element Monitor, Directorate of Global Reach Programs, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
6. August 2005 – June 2006, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
7. July 2006 – May 2008, Director, Executive Airlift Sustainment Branch, 727<sup>th</sup> Aircraft Sustainment Group, Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center, Tinker AFB, Okla. (April – September 2007, Chief Local Procurement Officer, CJ4, Combined Security Transition Command – Afghanistan, Kabul, Afghanistan)
8. June 2008 – July 2010, Commander, 546<sup>th</sup> Aircraft Sustainment Squadron, 727<sup>th</sup> Aircraft Sustainment Group, Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center, Tinker AFB, Okla.
9. August 2010 – June 2011, Student, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
10. July 2011 – May 2012, Joint Warfighting Capabilities Analyst, Capabilities and Acquisition Division (J8), Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
11. May 2012 – June 2013, Branch Chief, Strategic and Tactical Systems, Capabilities and Acquisition Division (J8), Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
12. July 2013 – January 2016, Deputy Program Executive Officer, Mobility Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
13. February 2016 – May 2019, KC-46 System Program Manager, Tanker Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
14. May 2019 – May 2020, Air Force Program Executive Officer for Tankers, Tanker Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
15. June 2020 – Present, Air Force Program Executive Officer for Bombers, Bombers Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

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

1. April –September 2007, Chief Local Procurement Officer, CJ4, Combined Security Transition Command – Afghanistan, Kabul, Afghanistan as a major
2. July 2011 – May 2012, Joint Warfighting Capabilities Analyst, Capabilities and Acquisition Division (J8), Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington, D.C., as a lieutenant colonel
3. May 2012 – June 2013, Branch Chief, Strategic and Tactical Systems, Capabilities and Acquisition Division (J8), Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington, D.C, as a colonel

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

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

#### **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

2006 Distinguished Graduate, Air Command and Staff College

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

Second Lieutenant June 1, 1994  
First Lieutenant June 1, 1996  
Captain June 1, 1998  
Major Sept. 1, 2004  
Lieutenant Colonel June 1, 2008  
Colonel July 1, 2012  
Brigadier General May 2, 2019

(Current as of June 2020)



## Major General Karl D. Pierson

**Deputy Commanding General, U.S. Marine Forces Cyber, Joint Forces Headquarters-Cyber**

Born in New York and raised in Ridgewood, New Jersey, Major General Doug Pierson graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University with a B.A. in Politics & Government, and commissioned as a 2ndLt in June 1992.

Following The Basic School graduation in 1993, he reported to Twentynine Palms, CA as a Logistics Officer and regularly participated in exercises and Middle East operations with Combat Service Support Group-1, 7th Marines, and 1st Tank Battalion. Appointed Team Captain of the 29 Palms Base Pistol & Rifle Team, he promoted to First Lieutenant in June 1994 and Captain in August 1996.

Transitioning to the Reserves, Captain Pierson served as logistics coordinator and special projects officer for Reserve Affairs Manpower and Marine Corps Systems Command in Quantico, VA through 2003 and promoted to Major during that time. He then assumed the role of Alpha Company

Commander with 4th Landing Support Battalion at Fort Lewis, WA from 2003 through 2008 where his company received the prestigious Arthur B. Hansen trophy. In 2004, he mobilized to support 1st Marine Expeditionary Force in Al Anbar Province, Iraq where he assumed command of Landing Support Company, Combat Service Support Battalion-7, who focused on a wide array of missions from air delivery, helicopter support, and airfield control groups to Joint Service and Iraqi National Assembly Election detachments. He returned to Iraq for another tour as Deputy G4/Operations Officer with 1st Marine Logistics Group (Fwd) in 2006 and promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in 2008.

From February 2008 to July 2012, LtCol Pierson served as Asst G3, 4th MLG in New Orleans, focusing on the Korea Theater of Operations before taking command of 4th Maintenance Battalion and CLB-451 in Charlotte, NC from July 2012 to August 2014. During that time, the battalion participated in two Integrated Training Exercises as MAGTF Logistics Command Element and provided 4th MLG with a ready battalion for three consecutive years.

Promoted to Colonel in November 2014, Col Pierson was AC/S G-4 for 4th MLG and then assigned to CLR-4 in Kansas City, MO as Deputy Commander, where he filled a variety of roles including Chief of Staff for JTF-African Lion 16 held in the Kingdom of Morocco. He promoted to Brigadier General and assumed command of 4th Marine Logistics Group in 2018.

In his civilian occupation, MajGen Pierson currently works for Microsoft, is an active mountaineer having climbed several of the world's highest mountains, is a field team member of Seattle Mountain Rescue, and sits on the Board of Directors for two international NGO/nonprofits. MajGen Pierson's personal decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal with three gold stars, and the Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal. He also holds an MBA from the College of William and Mary and a Master of Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College. He is married to his beautiful wife Maggie and is father to two spirited children: Olivia and Mason.





# BIOGRAPHY

## UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE

### BRIGADIER GENERAL CHRISTOPHER S. POVAK

Brig. Gen. Christopher S. Povak is the Deputy Director, Space Warfighting Analysis Center, Washington D.C. The SWAC conducts analysis, modeling, wargaming and experimentation to create operational concepts and Force Design guidance for United States Space Force missions.

General Povak received his commission from Clarkson University in 1992. Throughout his career, he gained extensive hands-on satellite operations, engineering and acquisitions experience working with Air Force Space Command and in several positions with the NRO. General Povak has commanded space operations units at the squadron, group, and wing levels. He has also served on the Headquarters Air Force Staff gaining broad insight into defense policy and the Department of Defense's requirements, programming and budgeting processes. General Povak was also selected for a congressional fellowship and served as a military legislative advisor to United States Senator Joseph I. Lieberman of Connecticut.

Prior to his current assignment, General Povak was the Deputy Commander, Joint Task Force – Space Defense, Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado.



#### EDUCATION

- 1992 Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering, Clarkson University, Potsdam, N.Y.
- 1997 Undergraduate Space and Missile Training, Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif.
- 1998 Master of Science, Electrical Engineering, Colorado Technical University, Colo.
- 1999 Squadron Officer School, Distinguished Graduate, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2003 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2005 Master of Art in Military Operational Art and Science, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2005 Air Command and Staff College, Distinguished Graduate, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2007 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2011 Senior Executive Fellowship, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
- 2012 National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington D.C.
- 2012 Masters of Science in National Security Strategy, National War College, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington D.C.

#### ASSIGNMENTS

1. March 1993 – July 1996, Air Force Satellite Control Network Capacity Engineer, 50th Space Wing Plans, Schriever Air Force Base, Colo.
2. August 1996 – August 1997, Flight Commander, Operating Division 4/DC, Onizuka Air Force Station, Calif.
3. September 1997 – May 2000, Chief, Space Systems Engineering, Operating Division 4/DC, Onizuka AFS, Calif.
4. June 2000 – May 2002, Director of Operations, Air Force Operations Element, Washington D.C.
5. June 2002 – August 2003, Director of Engineering, Air Force Operations Element, Washington D.C.
6. September 2003 – July 2004, Congressional Fellow, Office of Senator Joseph I. Lieberman, Washington D.C.
7. August 2004 – June 2005, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
8. June 2005 – July 2006, Chief, Space Programs Planning, Programming, and Budgeting, Directorate of Space Acquisition, Headquarters United States Air Force, Pentagon, Va.

9. August 2006 – July 2007, Chief, Congressional and Media Affairs Branch, Directorate of Space Acquisition, Headquarters United States Air Force, Pentagon, Va.
10. August 2007 – June 2008, Program Element Monitor, Transformational Satellite Communications, Directorate of Space Acquisition, Headquarters United States Air Force, Pentagon, Va.
11. July 2008 – June 2010, Commander, Operations Division 7 and Deputy Chief Overhead Collection Management Center, Fort George Meade, Md.
12. July 2010 – July 2011, Executive Officer to the Deputy Director, National Reconnaissance Office, Chantilly, Va.
13. August 2011 – June 2012, Student, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington D. C.
14. July 2012 – July 2015, Commander, Air Force Element, RAF Menwith Hill, United Kingdom
15. August 2015 - May 2016, Deputy Director, Mission Operations Directorate, National Reconnaissance Office, Chantilly, Va.
16. June 2016 – August 2019, Commander, Aerospace Data Facility Colorado, Buckley AFB, Colo.
17. June 2016 – August 2019, Commander, Air Force Element Space Operations Wing, Buckley AFB, Colo. (December 2018 – June 2019, Acting Commander, Air Force Element, NRO, Chantilly, Va.)
18. September 2019 – July 2021, Deputy Commander, Joint Task Force Space Defense, Schriever AFB, CO
19. July 2021 – Present, Deputy Director, Space Warfighting Analysis Center, Washington D.C.

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

Defense Superior Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Defense Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Meritorious Service Medal  
Joint Service Commendation Medal  
Air Force Commendation Medal  
Joint Service Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

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

Second Lieutenant May 15, 1992  
First Lieutenant Oct. 15, 1994  
Captain Oct. 15, 1996  
Major April 1, 2003  
Lieutenant Colonel Dec. 1, 2006  
Colonel May 1, 2012  
Brigadier General March 2, 2019

(Current as of February 2022)

## **Rear Admiral (RDML) Sean Regan**

### **United States Coast Guard**

RDML Sean Regan completed a military fellowship at the Council on Foreign Relations and his next assignment is as the Deputy Chief of Operations (J35), USNORTHCOM. He most recently served as Chief of Staff, Coast Guard Atlantic Area.

RDML Regan is a 1992 graduate of Massachusetts Maritime Academy where he was awarded a Bachelor of Science – Marine Transportation and a Third Mate unlimited tonnage/any waters license. He entered the USCG Maritime Graduate (MARGRAD) program after graduation.



Between 1992 and 2002, he served in a variety of operational assignments related to oil and hazardous material response, marine accident investigations, merchant vessel inspections, hazardous material cargo management, and waterways management in major seaports. In 2002, he became the “Plankowner” Executive Officer of the Coast Guard’s first anti-terrorism team on the U.S. east coast - Maritime Safety and Security Team 91102. Then in 2004, he became the “Plankowner” Commanding Officer of Maritime Safety and Security Team, New Orleans (91112). Under his command, MSST NOLA conducted homeland security missions across 12 states and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Notably, MSST NOLA provided immediate critical support in the wake of the hurricane KATRINA in 2005 where he led over 400 security and search and rescue forces in the metropolitan area conducting rescues and providing security for the massive urban search and rescue effort.

In 2006, he attended the U.S. Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Quantico Virginia earning a Master of Arts in Military Science. Promoted to Commander in 2007, he managed Maritime Homeland Security policy in the Coast Guard’s Office of Counterterrorism and Defense Operations.

Between 2009 and 2011, he served at the White House as Director, Maritime Security Policy and Director, Arctic Region Policy on the President’s National Security Staff (NSS). On the NSS, he advised the National Security Advisor, Homeland Security Advisor and President on issues such as piracy, Arctic oil drilling, mass migration, the Fukushima nuclear release, and maritime security policy.

In 2011, he attended the U.S. Naval War College, College of Naval Warfare, Newport, Rhode Island earning a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies. From 2012 through 2014, he served as Deputy Sector Commander, Sector Southeast New England where he led over 150 Coast Guard members and six patrol boats across nearly every Coast Guard mission. At Sector, he furthered regional port security, search and rescue, ship inspections, and state, federal, and civilian inter-agency coordination.

In 2014, he assumed command of the Maritime Security Response Team (MSRT), the Coast Guard’s east coast maritime law enforcement counter-terrorism unit. MSRT supported eight National Security Special Events, deployments to the Caribbean and U.S. Central Command, Bahrain.

Between 2016 and 2019, he served as the Chief of Operations coordinating operational and policy support for two-thirds of all Coast Guard effort world-wide. Here, he was integral in coordinating Coast Guard forces for natural disaster response, counter-drug operations, and Coast Guard operations from the Rocky Mountains to the Arabian Gulf. As Chief of Staff, he led the organization and executive support for a 3-Star operational command, five subordinate District Commands, and 49 operational Coast Guard units.

RDML Regan’s awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit (awarded twice), the Meritorious Service Medal (awarded five times), the Coast Guard Commendation Medal, and the Coast Guard Achievement Medal (awarded two times).



## **Brigadier General Ryan S. "Chick" Rideout** **Deputy Commanding General, I Marine Expeditionary Force**

Brigadier General Rideout assumed duties as Commanding General, I Marine Expeditionary Force in July 2021. His previous assignment was serving as Director, Military Advisor Group, Combined Joint Task Force – Operation INHERENT RESOLVE based in Baghdad, Iraq from June of 2020 to June of 2021.

Fleet Marine Force assignments include: Commanding Officer of the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) based in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina; Commanding Officer of Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron (HMLA) 467 and Current Operations Officer for 2d Marine Air Wing (2d MAW) in Cherry Point, North Carolina; Assistant Operations Officer for Marine Aircraft Group 29 and numerous squadron assignments with HMLA-269 in New River, North Carolina.

Staff assignments include: Chief of Staff, Fleet Marine Force, Atlantic/U.S Marine Corps Forces Command and Fleet Marine Officer, U.S. Fleet Forces Command based in Norfolk, Virginia; Director of Operations and Marine Corps Element Commander for Joint Interagency Task Force South in Key West, Florida; Director, Aviation Training Systems for 2d MAW; Executive Officer of The Basic School, Rotary Wing Monitor and Assistant Aviation Lieutenant Colonel Monitor with Aviation Officer Assignments Branch, Manpower and Reserve Affairs in Quantico, Virginia.

As an AH-1W Cobra pilot, Rideout deployed twice with the 22nd MEU(SOC) to the U.S. Navy's SIXTH Fleet and served two tours with HMLA-269 in Al Anbar, Iraq in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM. Under his command, the 24th MEU conducted foreign disaster relief operations in Haiti following Hurricane Matthew, deployed to the Navy's FIFTH and SIXTH Fleets to support Operations INHERENT RESOLVE, ECLIPSE, ODYSSEY RESOLVE, and YUKON SCEPTER, and provided defense support to civil authorities in Puerto Rico following Hurricane Maria in 2017.

Rideout enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve in May of 1989. He was commissioned through the Platoon Leader's Course program in 1993. He is a graduate of Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana; the Marine Corps Command and Staff College and the Marine Corps War College in Quantico, Virginia; and the Harvard Business School Advanced Management Program in Boston, Massachusetts. He and his wife, Jackie, have been married 31 years, have two happily married children and three grandchildren.





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



## BRIGADIER GENERAL DAVID J. SANFORD

Brigadier General David J. Sanford is the Commander of Defense Supply Center Richmond and Defense Logistics Agency Aviation, Richmond, Virginia. DLA Aviation is a major subordinate command of DLA and is the agency's combat logistics and supply chain manager for aviation and nuclear assets across the Department of Defense. DLA Aviation is headquartered in Richmond and operates at 18 geographically separated sites across the U.S. General Sanford's team is comprised of more than 3,800 civilian and military personnel supporting more than 1,700 weapon systems as the U.S. military's integrated materiel manager for more than 1.2 million national stock number items. He oversees \$8.5 billion in contractual obligations supporting industrial retail supply and depot-level repairable acquisitions.

General Sanford received his commission through the Air Force Officer Training School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, in 1995. He graduated from Georgia State University, Atlanta, with a Bachelor of Arts in Marketing. He is a Joint Qualified Officer who performed duties as the Chief, Distribution Division, United States Central Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. He has served at all levels of command to include flight, group, wing, major command and combatant command levels. Prior to this assignment, he served as the Associate Director at the Directorate of Resource Integration, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C., where he assisted the director in the planning, programming and budgeting of weapons systems sustainment, vehicles and support equipment, logistics and installation resource requirements.



### EDUCATION

- 1993 Bachelor of Arts, Marketing, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA
- 1998 Master of Science, Logistics Management, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, OH
- 2000 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, AL
- 2005 Distinguished Graduate, Advanced Logistics Readiness Officer Course, Air Force Expeditionary Center, Ft. Dix, NJ
- 2007 Air Command and Staff College, Correspondence, Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, AL
- 2008 Distinguished Graduate, Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2009 Air War College, Correspondence, Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, AL
- 2013 Master of Science, National Security Studies, National War College, Ft. McNair, Washington D.C.
- 2014 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina Kenan-Flagler Business School, Chapel Hill, NC
- 2015 Leadership Enhancement Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Greensboro, NC
- 2019 Senior Acquisition Management Course, Defense Acquisition University, Ft. Belvoir, VA
- 2020 National & International Security Leadership Seminar, Alan Freed Associates, Washington D.C.
- 2021 Enterprise Perspective Seminar, Alan Freed Associates, Washington D.C.

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. May 1995 – May 1997: Flight Commander for Materiel Storage and Distribution and Flight Commander for Supply Readiness, 23d Supply Squadron and Executive Officer, 23d Logistics Group, Pope AFB, NC
2. May 1997 – Sep 1998: Student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Graduate Logistics Management, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
3. Sep 1998 – Jul 2001: Chief, Supply Programs and Analysis, Logistics System Research Program Manager, Air Force Research Laboratory, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
4. Jul 2001 – Jul 2002: Flight Commander, Combat Operations Support Flight, 16th Supply Squadron, Hurlburt Field, FL
5. Jul 2002 – Jun 2004: Flight Commander/Installation Deployment Officer, Readiness Flight, 16th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Hurlburt Field, FL
6. Jul 2004 – Jul 2005: Chief, Logistics Officer Development, Air Force Personnel Command, Randolph AFB, TX
7. Jul 2005 – Jul 2007: Chief, Logistics Readiness Officer Assignment Team, then Chief, Field Grade Officer Assignments, Randolph AFB, TX
8. Aug 2007 – Jun 2008: Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL
9. Jun 2008 – Jul 2009: Commander, 332d Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron, Joint Base Balad, Iraq
10. Aug 2009 – Aug 2011: Chief, Logistics Panel Programs, then Chief, Logistics Readiness Programs, and later Logistics Panel Chair, DCS for Logistics, Installations, and Mission Support, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, VA
12. Aug 2011 – Jul 2012: Chief, Corporate Branch, "AF Engine Room," Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategic Plans and Programs, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, VA
13. Aug 2012 – Jun 2013: Student, National War College, Ft. McNair, Washington D.C.
14. Jun 2013 – Jun 2014: Commander, 386th Expeditionary Mission Support Group, Southwest Asia
15. Jul 2014 – Jul 2016: Chief, Distribution Division, United States Central Command, MacDill AFB, FL
16. Jul 2016 – July 2018: Commander, 635th Supply Chain Operations Wing, Scott AFB, IL
17. Jul 2018 – Jul 2019: Associate Director at the Directorate of Resource Integration, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Engineering, and Force Protection, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, VA
18. Jul 2019 – Present, Commander, Defense Supply Center Richmond and Defense Logistics Agency Aviation, Richmond, VA. Detailed Apr 2020 – Jul 2021, as the Director, Supply Chain Task Force, White House Task Force for COVID-19 Response, Washington, DC

## **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. Jul 2014 – Jul 2016: Chief, Distribution Division, United States Central Command, MacDill AFB, FL as a Colonel
2. Jul 2019 – Present, Commander, Defense Supply Center Richmond and Defense Logistics Agency Aviation, Richmond, VA, Concurrent Detail, Apr 2020 – Jun 2021, Director, White House Coronavirus Supply Chain Taskforce, Washington, DC

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Defense Superior Service Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Legion of Merit  
Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Defense Meritorious Service Medal  
Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters  
Joint Service Commendation Medal  
Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Air Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Air Force Recognition Ribbon  
Kosovo Campaign Medal  
Afghanistan Campaign Medal with bronze star  
Iraq Campaign Medal with two bronze stars  
Armed Forces Service Medal  
Air and Space Campaign Medal  
NATO Medal with bronze star

## **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant May 5, 1995  
First Lieutenant May 5, 1997  
Captain May 5, 1999  
Major Jun 1, 2005  
Lieutenant Colonel Mar 1, 2009  
Colonel Oct 1, 2013  
Brigadier General Sep 24, 2019

(Current as of Jun 2021)



**Rear Admiral Franklin H. Schaefer**  
Emergency Management Program Senior Advisor  
U. S. Coast Guard Office of Emergency Management



RDML Franklin Schaefer assumed the duties of Senior Advisor to the Coast Guard Office of Emergency Management in October 2021. In this capacity, he mentors and guides the professional growth of Reservists assigned to the Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officer program in support of FEMA Regional Response Coordination Centers.

RDML Schaefer previously served as Coast Guard Pacific Area Reserve Chief of Staff from 2019 to 2021, where he serves as the principal advisor to the Area Commander, Deputy Area Commander and Area Staff regarding mobilization and augmentation readiness, training, and force employment for over 1,750 drilling reservists. As Pacific Area Senior Reserve Officer, he led, managed, and developed Pacific Area Reserve Senior Leadership Team of four District Senior Reserve Officers, Area and District Command Master Chiefs, and Captains serving at Combat Command's, and Maritime Expeditionary Security Groups.



RDML Schaefer previously served as the Pacific Area Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officer (EPLO) Coordinator from 2017 to 2019, where he serves as the principle advisor for Reserve responses to emergent multi-mission contingency response operations and mission planning support across 74 million square miles; focusing on Search and Rescue (SAR), Marine Environmental Response (MER), and natural disaster relief.

Prior to his assignment as an EPLO Coordinator, RDML Schaefer was the Commanding Officer of Coast Guard Reserve Unit United States Northern Command (NORTHCOM) from 2014 to 2017. As Commanding Officer, he serves as the principle advisor to the Director of Reserve Forces NORTHCOM on all Coast Guard Reserve matters, providing strategic guidance on reserve support to Interagency, Planning, Operations, Personnel, and Logistics.

RDML Schaefer enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1982. After recruit training, he attended Submarine School and Fire Control Technician School. As a Fire Controlman, he served aboard the USS NATHAN HALE (SSBN 623), USS TECUMSEH (SSBN 628), and USS HOLLAND (AS-32). He earned Naval Warfare Designators in Submarine and Surface Warfare Specialist. In 1989, RDML Schaefer enlisted in the Coast Guard as an Electronics Technician First Class.

Upon Commissioning in August 1992, RDML Schaefer served as a SAR Operations Duty Officer at Coast Guard Group Charleston qualifying as SAR Controller and Command Duty Officer. Served as Alternate Chief of Response.

RDML Schaefer has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business and a Master's Degree in Business Administration. He is a graduate of two Department of Navy Leadership Development Programs. In 2006, he was selected and completed the Department of the Navy, Shore Station Senior Leadership Course for Prospective Commanding Officers of Naval Shore Installations. RDML Schaefer has studied at the National Defense University, Naval War College, Army War College, and the Joint Forces Staff College.

In 2011, RDML Schaefer was awarded the prestigious Coast Guard Captain John G. Witherspoon Inspirational Leadership Award.

RDML Schaefer personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal (2), Meritorious Service Medal (5), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Coast Guard Commendation Medal, Joint Achievement Medal, Coast Guard Achievement Medal (3), and Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal.



## Rear Admiral Michael Sciretta

**Deputy Commander, Joint Interagency Task Force-South, U.S.  
Southern Command**



Rear Adm. Scott Sciretta is a native of New Jersey. He is a graduate of The Pennsylvania State University where he was commissioned in January 1992 thru the Navy Reserve Officer Training Corps program. He holds a Master of Science in Operations Research from the Naval Post Graduate School and is a graduate of the Navy Executive Development Course from the Darden School of Business at the University of Virginia. He is also a graduate of the Joint Forces Staff College.

His sea tours include auxiliaries officer and main propulsion assistant onboard USS Juneau (LPD 10), fire control officer onboard USS Cowpens (CG 63), operations officer onboard both USS The Sullivans (DDG 68) and USS Vicksburg (CG 69).

Sciretta commanded Mine Countermeasures Ship Crew Fearless onboard USS Chief (MCM 14) and USS Ardent (MCM 12). Crew Fearless deployed twice to Mina Sulman, Bahrain and earned consecutive Battle Efficiency Awards and the 2005 Marjorie Sterrett Battleship Award. Sciretta commissioned and commanded USS Jason Dunham (DDG 109). During final contract trials, Jason Dunham earned the highest scores on record of any Arleigh Burke Class Destroyer. During command of USS Cowpens (CG 63), Sciretta's team paved the way for the first Ticonderoga Class Cruiser inducted into Phased Modernization. His most recent command tour was USS Lake Erie (CG 70).

Ashore he served two tours at Navy Personnel Command as Surface Placement, Surface Junior Officer sea coordinator, Assistant Surface Captain assignment officer and deputy director, Surface Warfare Distribution Division in PERS 41 and as executive assistant to the Deputy Chief of Naval Personnel /

Commander, Navy Personnel Command (DCNP/CNPC EA) ; NATO Joint Analysis Lessons Learned Center in Lisbon, Portugal where he conducted joint analysis in Afghanistan in support of the NATO International Security Assistance Force mission ; deputy chief of Legislative Affairs ; and director of the Navy Senate Liaison Office where he travelled extensively abroad with members of congress.

His personal awards include the Legion of Merit (4 awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), Navy Commendation Medal (5 awards), the Navy Achievement Medal (two awards), and various campaign, expeditionary and unit awards.



## **Brigadier General Daniel L. Shipley**

### **Assistant Deputy Commandant for Programs, Programs and Resources**

Brigadier General Daniel Shipley graduated from the Virginia Military Institute and was commissioned in 1992. He was designated a Naval Aviator and completed training in the F/A-18 Hornet in 1996.

Brigadier General Shipley has served in several F/A-18 squadrons to include: VMFA(AW) 332 during Operation ALLIED FORCE while deployed to Hungary, VMFA 323 aboard USS CONSTELLATION (CV 64) during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM; the U.S. Navy Flight Demonstration Team (Blue Angels) and VMFA(AW) 225. He commanded VMFA 232 during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM 10.2 in 2010 while deployed to Kandahar, Afghanistan. He also commanded Marine Aircraft Group 12 (MAG 12) in Iwakuni, Japan.



His staff billets include the Tactical Air (TACAIR) Plans Officer in the Aviation Department, Headquarters Marine Corps (HQMC), Aide-de-Camp for the Commanding General of Marine Corps Combat Development Command, Deputy Director for Program Analysis and Evaluation in the Programs and Resources Department, HQMC, and Director for Manpower Plans and Policy at Manpower and Reserve Affairs, HQMC.

His joint assignments include service in the Joint Staff Strategic Plans Directorate (J5), the Joint Strike Fighter Program Office, and as Deputy Director for Operations in the Joint Staff Operations Directorate (J3).

Brigadier General Shipley is a graduate of the Weapons and Tactics Instructor Course, the Marine Division Tactics Course, Marine Corps Command and Staff College, and the National War College. He holds a M.S. in National Security Strategy from National Defense University.

Brigadier General Shipley currently serves as the Assistant Deputy Commandant for Programs, Programs and Resources Department, HQMC.

He is married to Kim Shipley and they have one son, Camden.



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## **UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**

### **BRIGADIER GENERAL SEAN K. TYLER**

Brig. Gen. Sean K. Tyler is the Director of Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection, Headquarters Pacific Air Forces, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii. He is responsible for oversight, policy, guidance, training, and resources in support of 45,000 PACAF personnel in 10 wings and three Numbered Air Forces. Additionally, he manages aircraft maintenance, munitions, transportation, supply, fuels, civil engineering, and anti-terrorism/force protection to support 396 total force combat aircraft and \$42.3 billion of infrastructure. He directly supports deployment, basing, sustainment, and redeployment of Air Force component forces across the spectrum of engagements and operations throughout the theater.

Brig. Gen. Tyler received his commission through Officer Training School in 1995. As a career logistics officer, he has served at the unit, major command, and Headquarters Air Force level and has deployed to Iraq, Afghanistan, and Kuwait. Brig. Gen. Tyler has commanded a logistics readiness squadron, an expeditionary logistics readiness squadron, an expeditionary mission support group and an air base wing.



Prior to serving as the PACAF Director of Logistics, Brig. Gen. Tyler was the Associate Director, Directorate of Resource Integration, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Engineering, and Force Protection, Headquarters Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia.

#### **EDUCATION**

1994 Bachelor of Science, Finance and Real Estate, Florida State University, Tallahassee  
1997 Master of Business Administration, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston  
1999 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.  
2002 Master of Science in Organizational Management, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C.  
2005 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence  
2006 Strategic Policy Intern  
2008 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence  
2015 Master of Science, National Security and Strategic Studies, Eisenhower School for National Security, National Defense University, Washington, D.C.  
2018 Eurozone and Middle East Update Seminar, Alan L. Freed Associates, Washington, D.C.

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. February 1995–September 1997, Fuels Management Flight Commander, 2nd Supply Squadron, Barksdale Air Force Base, La.
2. September 1997–November 1998, Flight Commander, Management and Systems, and Materiel Management Flights, 374th Supply Squadron, Yokota Air Base, Japan
3. November 1998–October 1999, Executive Officer, 374th Logistics Group, Yokota AB, Japan
4. October 1999–July 2000, Deputy Chief of Supply, 374th Supply Squadron, Yokota AB, Japan
5. July 2000–June 2002, Air Force Intern Program, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon,

Arlington, Va.

6. June 2002–June 2003, Vehicle Management Flight Commander, 1st Logistics Readiness Squadron, Langley AFB, Va.
7. June 2003–May 2005, Executive Officer, 1st Fighter Wing, Langley AFB, Va.
8. May 2005–May 2006, Chief, Command Readiness Spares, Materiel Management Division, Director of Maintenance and Logistics, Headquarters Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va.
9. May 2006–July 2007, Senior Mentor to Afghan National Army 201st Corps Chief of Logistics, 201st Regional Security Advisory Command, Camp Blackhorse, Kabul, Afghanistan
10. August 2007–June 2009, Chief, Logistics Readiness Officer Education, Directorate of Logistics, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Installations and Mission Support, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
11. July 2009–July 2011, Commander, 436th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Dover AFB, Del., and Commander, 387th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron, Camp Arifjan, Kuwait (March-August 2010)
12. July 2011–May 2013, Deputy Commander, 633d Mission Support Group, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
13. June 2013–January 2014, Commander, 451st Expeditionary Mission Support Group, Kandahar, Afghanistan
14. February 2014–July 2014, Deputy, Logistics Readiness Division, Headquarters Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
15. August 2014–June 2015, Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy, National Defense University, Fort Lesly J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
16. June 2015–June 2016, Chief of Staff, Defense Logistics Agency-Acquisition, Defense Logistics Agency, Fort Belvoir, Va.
17. July 2016–June 2017, Executive Officer to the Director, Defense Logistics Agency, Fort Belvoir, Va.
18. June 2017–June 2019, Commander, 633d Air Base Wing, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
19. July 2019–January 2021, Associate Director, Directorate of Resource Integration, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Engineering, and Force Protection, Headquarters Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
20. January 2021–present, Director of Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection, Headquarters Pacific Air Forces, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii

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

Defense Superior Service Medal  
Legion of Merit  
Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters  
Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Air Force Achievement Medal  
National Defense Service Medal with bronze star  
Afghanistan Campaign Medal with two bronze stars  
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal  
NATO Medal

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

Second Lieutenant Jan. 27, 1995  
First Lieutenant Jan. 27, 1997  
Captain Jan. 27, 1999  
Major May 1, 2005  
Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2009  
Colonel Oct. 1, 2013  
Brigadier General Aug. 3, 2020

(Current as of February 2021)



## **Rear Admiral Alexis T. Walker Commander Navy Recruiting Command**

Rear Adm. Alexis “Lex” Walker took command of Navy Recruiting Command March 25, 2022. A native of New York, he began his naval service in 1989 by entering the Broadened Opportunity for Officer Selection and Training (BOOST) Program. Upon completing BOOST, he attended Jacksonville University, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Broadcast Communications and was commissioned in December 1994. He earned a Master of Arts in Organizational Management from The George Washington University and a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College Fleet Seminar Program.

Walker has served at sea as communications officer and first lieutenant aboard USS Robert G. Bradley (FFG 49); main propulsion assistant and training officer aboard USS Hayler (DD 997); engineer officer aboard USS Cole (DDG 67) and USS Leyte Gulf (CG 55); executive officer of USS Bulkeley (DDG 84); commanding officer of USS Stockdale (DDG 106); and as deputy and commodore of Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 7.

His shore tours include service as a destroyer/cruiser gas turbine instructor at Surface Warfare Officers School Command (SWOS) in Newport, Rhode Island; a Navy Washington, D.C. intern; post-department head detailee (PERS-411C) at Navy Personnel Command in Millington, Tennessee; deputy for congressional affairs at U.S. European Command; warfare integration branch head in OPNAV N91; senior military assistant to the Secretary of the Navy ; and as deputy chief of legislative affairs at the Navy Office of Legislative Affairs. Walker’s last tour was as commanding officer, Surface Warfare Schools Command.

He has earned various personal, unit, and service awards.



## **James B. Wellons**

### **Brigadier General, U.S. Marine Corps**

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Brigadier General James B. Wellons grew up in Victoria, Virginia. He graduated from the United States Naval Academy in May of 1992, earning his commission as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps. After completion of The Basic School and Naval Flight Training, he reported to VMAT-203, Cherry Point, NC for AV-8B Harrier training.

Captain Wellons completed AV-8B Harrier training in 1997 and reported to the VMA-231 "Ace of Spades," where he served in various assignments and deployed twice with the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit, first in 1998 and again in 1999.

In March of 2000, Captain Wellons returned to VMAT-203 for duties as an AV-8B instructor pilot and graduated from the MAWTS-1 Weapons and Tactics Instructor (WTI) Course. In January of 2002, Captain Wellons returned to VMA-231. He deployed as Future Operations Department Head for HMM-263 with the 24<sup>th</sup> Marine Expeditionary Unit from August of 2002 through May of 2003, in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM I. In July of 2003, Major Wellons reported to MAWTS-1 in Yuma, Arizona, where he served as AV-8B instructor pilot, AV-8B Division Head, and TACAIR Department Head.

In June of 2006, Major Wellons reported to the School of Advanced Air and Space Studies (SAASS) at Maxwell Air Force Base, AL, graduating in June of 2007 with an M.A. in Airpower Art and Sciences. Upon graduation, Major Wellons reported to Marine Corps Forces Central Command (MARCENT) for duties as an operational planner.

In August of 2009, Lieutenant Colonel Wellons reported to Eglin Air Force Base, FL, where he stood up and commanded VMFAT-501, the F-35B Fleet Replacement Squadron. In February of 2012, he relinquished command and reported to the U.S. Naval War College, in Newport, RI, where he graduated with highest distinction in March of 2013 with an M.A. in National Security and Strategic Studies.

In March of 2013, Lieutenant Colonel Wellons reported to U.S. Southern Command in Doral, FL for assignment as Executive Officer to the Combatant Commander. In June of 2015, Colonel Wellons reported to Marine Aviation Weapons and Tactics Squadron One, where he served as Commanding Officer from May of 2016 through May of 2018. In June of 2018, he reported to HQMC Aviation, where he served as Aviation Programs and Weapons Branch Head until June of 2019. During this assignment, he completed the Advanced Management Program at Harvard Business School. He was frocked to his current rank in July of 2019 is currently serving as Assistant Wing Commander, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing.

Brigadier General Wellons has held qualifications in the AV-8B, F-35B, F-5E/F, and F-16C/D. His decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, two Legion of Merit Medals, three Meritorious Service Medals, Air Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, and various unit and campaign awards.



# Rear Admiral Robert Westendorff

## Chief of Naval Air Training



Rear Adm. Robert D. Westendorff is a native of Paola, Kansas and a 1992 graduate of Kansas State University. He earned a bachelor's degree in Business Administration focusing on corporate finance and commissioned in December 1992 after completing Aviation Officer Candidate School in Pensacola, Florida. He is a graduate of the U.S. Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island and holds a master's degree in National Security and Strategic Studies.

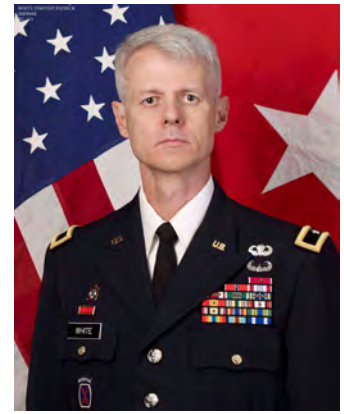
Westendorff's operational assignments include Fighter Squadron (VF) 103, Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 41, he commanded VFA 25, and he commanded Carrier Air Wing (CVW) 11.

Shore and staff assignments include instructor pilot at VFA 122, Lemoore, California; deputy division chief for Training Plans and executive assistant to the Deputy Director of Global Operations, U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska; Aviation Program analyst, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV N80); chief of staff and Maritime Operations Center director for Commander, Naval Forces Central Command/Commander, U.S. 5th Fleet, Kingdom of Bahrain; and chief of staff for Commander, Naval Air Forces, San Diego, California.

Westendorff assumed command of Chief of Naval Air Training (CNATRA) in June 2020.

His decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal, and other personal and unit awards. He has accumulated more than 3,800 flight hours and 900 carrier arrested landings while flying F-14 and F/A-18 aircraft.

BG Timothy P. White is the Director of United States Forces Korea J4, Assistant Chief of Staff of United Nations Command U4, and Deputy Director of ROK-US Combined Forces Command C4. He is a Massachusetts native, and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army Ordnance Corps through the Reserve Officer Training Corps program at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. His military education includes the Officer Basic Course, the Officers Advanced Course, the Command and General Staff College, the Joint and Combined Warfighting School, and the Air War College.



BG White's past duty assignments include: Fort Carson, Colorado; Camp Casey, Korea; Fort Drum, New York; United States Military Academy, West Point, New York; Fort Campbell, Kentucky; MacDill Air Force Base, Florida; Camp Henry, Korea; Camp Carroll, Korea; Joint Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM), Washington; and is currently assigned to Camp Humphreys, Korea.

BG White deployed to Iraq in support of OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, and to Afghanistan in support of OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM.

BG White holds two master's degrees; one from John Jay College, and one from the Air War College. His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the Iraq Campaign Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the NATO ISAF Medal (Non Article 5), the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, and the Korean Defense Service Medal.

He and his wife are proud parents of a daughter and a son.

**REAR ADMIRAL DAVID G. WILSON**  
**Commander, Naval Legal Service Command**  
**Judge Advocate General's Corps**

Rear Adm. David G. Wilson is the Commander, Naval Legal Service Command (CNLSC). As CNLSC, he leads the attorneys, enlisted legalmen, and civilian employees of 13 commands that provide prosecution and defense services, legal services to individuals, specialized legal training, and legal support to Navy units around the world.

Wilson earned his Bachelor of Arts in political science from the University of Delaware, his Juris Doctorate from Delaware Law School, and his Master of Laws in International and Comparative Law from The George Washington University School of Law. He received his Navy commission through the Judge Advocate General's Corps Student Program in 1992, and he is licensed to practice law in both New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Wilson's shore duty assignments include: NLSO Jacksonville; NLSO Branch Office Earle; SJA, Naval Station Norfolk; deputy SJA and head of Military Justice for Commander, Navy Region Mid-Atlantic; military legal advisor to the director, Naval Criminal Investigative Service; executive officer, RLSO Naval District Washington; commanding officer, NLSO Northwest; officer-in-charge, Defense Service Office (DSO) West, Detachment Bremerton; commanding officer, RLSO Mid-Atlantic; inspector general, NLSC; chief of staff, DSO; and assistant judge advocate general for operations and management.

Wilson's deployed and operational assignments include: SJA, Carrier Strike Group TEN; fleet judge advocate, Commander, U.S. Second Fleet; senior legal counsel, Commander, Combined Joint Task Force – Horn of Africa; SJA, Commander, Naval Air Force Atlantic; and fleet judge advocate, U.S. Fleet Forces Command.

Wilson's awards include the Legion of Merit (six awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (four awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (four awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and several campaign and unit awards. His article, Interdiction on the High Seas: The Role and Authority of a Master in the Boarding and Searching of his Ship by Foreign Warships was published by the Naval Law Review in 2008.



# United States Marine Corps

## Brigadier General Brian N. Wolford Commanding General, 3D Marine Logistics Group



Brigadier General Wolford enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve in June 1987. After graduating from Parris Island and Combat Engineer School, he was assigned to Anacostia Naval Station, where he was promoted to Sergeant before being commissioned a Second Lieutenant in August 1991.

Following The Basic School, Lieutenant Wolford was designated a Motor Transport Officer and reported to 2nd Marine Division in April 1992, serving as the Motor Transport Officer and Assistant Logistics Officer for 3rd Battalion/10th Marine Regiment; 2nd Battalion/4th Marine Regiment; and Battalion Landing Team 2/6. During this tour he participated in hurricane disaster relief in Florida; a deployment to Okinawa, Japan; Haitian and Cuban refugee operations in Cuba; a Mediterranean Sea deployment; and contingency operations in Bosnia.

In July 1996, Captain Wolford reported to 3rd Force Service Support Group as the Officer -In-Charge of Marine Expeditionary Camp / Pohang, in Pohang, Korea (Camp Muchuck). Next, in July 1997, he checked into 2nd Force Service Support Group, serving as the Commanding Officer of Alpha Company, 8th Motor Transport Battalion; Operations Officer for Combat Service Support Detachment 27; and Operations Officer for MEU Service Support Group 26. During this tour he participated in a Mediterranean Sea deployment; Serbian refugee operations in Albania; peace keeping operations in Kosovo; and earthquake disaster relief in Turkey.

In 1999, Captain Wolford was re-designated a Logistics Officer. In June 2000, he checked into Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Headquarters Marine Corps, as the Logistics Company Grade Monitor.

Following that tour, Major Wolford reported in July 2002 to the Command Element for 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit as the Logistics Officer. During this tour he participated in two WestPac / CENTCOM deployments including two tours to Iraq in Multi-National Division-South East (Basrah Province) and Multi-National Force-West (Al Anbar Province). In June 2006, he reported to Combined Forces Command, Korea in Seoul with the CJ4 (Logistics), Plans & Operations Division.

In July 2008, Lieutenant Colonel Wolford checked into 2nd Marine Division as the Deputy G4, and worked as the Multi-National Force-West (Al Anbar Province), G3, Ground Operations Officer and deployed again to Iraq. After returning from Iraq in June 2009, he reported to 2nd Marine Logistics Group as the Commanding Officer of Combat Logistics Battalion 2 and deployed to Afghanistan (Northern Helmand Province) as part of Regional Command-South West.

In August of 2011, Lieutenant Colonel Wolford began studies at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. After graduation in June 2012, he checked into Installations and Logistics, Headquarters Marine Corps, finishing as the Branch Head, Logistics Plans and Operations. He was designated a Joint Qualified Officer in 2012.

In June 2014, Colonel Wolford transferred to 2nd Marine Logistics Group as the Commanding Officer of Combat Logistics Regiment 2. In August 2016, Colonel Wolford reported in as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4 Logistics, at II Marine Expeditionary Force. In July 2017, he assumed the duties as the Chief of Staff for II Marine Expeditionary Force. During this time he supported 3 major exercises in EUCOM and AFRICOM, to include one as the MAGTF Commander (African Lion 2015, Sabre Strike 2016, Trident Juncture 2018).

He was frocked to Brigadier General in June 2019 and assumed the duties as Commanding General, Bagram Airfield and Deputy Commanding General of the US National Support Element-Afghanistan (Freedom Sentinel / Resolute Support). In July 2020, he transferred to Okinawa, Japan as the Commanding General of 3d Marine Logistics Group.

Brigadier General **Wolford holds a Bachelor's of Science from University of Maryland Baltimore County (1991), a Master's of Science in Logistics Management from Florida Institute of Technology (2002), a Master's of Science in National Resource Strategy from National Defense University (2012), and a Doctorate of Philosophy in Interdisciplinary Studies for Leadership at North Carolina Agriculture & Technology (2020). He has attended the resident US Army Combined Logistics Captain's Career Course and resident Industrial College of the Armed Forces; and completed the non-resident Amphibious Warfare School, non-resident USMC Command and Staff, and non-resident US Air Force Air War College.**

His personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, three Legions of Merit, two Bronze Star Medals, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, three Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medals, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, two Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medals, and three Combat Action Ribbons. Brigadier General Wolford is married and has two children; his oldest is a Realtor in Wilmington, North Carolina and his youngest is a Senior at University of North Carolina Greensboro, a US Army Reserve SPC, and works for DHL International.