

# **BIOGRAPHICAL DATA BOOK**



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**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**

## CONUS and Week 5

John F. Kelly

General Kelly served as the Commander, United States Southern Command, Miami, FL, from November 2012 until January 2016. He retired from active duty after 45+ years of service to the nation as a United States Marine—both as an enlisted infantryman and infantry officer—on 1 February 2016.

Born and raised in Boston, he enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1970. He was released from active duty as a sergeant of infantry in 1972. Following graduation from the University of Massachusetts (Boston) in 1975, he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps and assigned an infantry occupational specialty. In addition to attaining an MA degree from Georgetown University in National Security Affairs (1984), and an MS from the National Defense University in National Security (1995), his formal military education includes The Basic School (1976), the U.S. Army's Advanced Infantry Officer's Course (1981), the Marine Corp's Command & Staff College (1991) and School for Advance Warfighting (1992), the National War College (1995), Capstone (2004), Joint Force Land Component Commander Course (2006), and Joint Flag Officer Warfighting Course (2007).



In his many assignments to the Fleet Marine Force as a company and field grade officer, General Kelly qualified in various infantry battalion staff assignments as well as commanding a number of infantry platoons and companies. He also commanded the 1st Light Armored Vehicle Battalion (LAR), Camp Pendleton, CA, as a major and lieutenant colonel. Finally, during formative years he was a proud “sea going” Marine serving aboard the aircraft carriers Forrestal and Independence (1979-1980).

General Kelly was also a trainer and an educator at The Basic School, Quantico, VA, first as the head of the Offensive Tactics Section, Tactics Group, and later as the Director of the Infantry Officer Course (1987-1990). After three years of instructing, shaping and mentoring some of the very finest young men and women this country produces to be Marine Officers, he then attended the Marine Corps Command & Staff College and the School for Advanced Warfare, both located at Quantico (1990-1992).

After completing two years in command of 1st LAR (1992-1994) and duty under instruction at the National War College, he was selected by the Commandant of the Marine Corps to serve as his personal liaison to the U.S. House of Representatives, Capitol Hill (1995-1999). Promoted to colonel while on the Hill he next served on joint duty as the Special Assistant to the Supreme Allied Commander (Generals Clarke & Ralston), Europe, Mons, Belgium.

Returning to the U.S in 2001 he was assigned to a third tour of duty at Camp Lejeune, now as the Assistant Chief of Staff for operations (G-3) with the 2nd Marine Division. Then the Trade Towers and pentagon were attacked. Selected for brigadier general that year he was transferred for duty with the 1st Marine Division as the assistant division commander assisting the commanding general in preparing the unit for the war we knew was coming. The majority of the two years with the division (2002-2004) was spent fighting in Iraq most notably participating in the “March Up” to Baghdad, then as Commander, “Task Force Tripoli,” that liberated the Baghdad – Tikrit – Baiji corridor of operations, then back with the division main executing counterinsurge operations in al Anbar Province including the cities of Fallujah, Ramadi, Hit, Rawah, and al Qaim.





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



**Former Command Senior Enlisted Leader**  
**United States Strategic Command**  
**CONUS and Week 5 Senior Fellow**

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.



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

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

**Western Hemisphere Senior Fellow**



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



**CURTIS M. SCAPARROTTI**  
**GENERAL**  
**UNITED STATES ARMY**  
**(RETIRED)**



**Former Commander**  
**U.S. European Command and NATO**  
**Supreme Allied Commander Europe**



**Europe Trip Senior Fellow**

Curtis “Mike” Scaparrotti is employed as a Senior Fellow for the National Defense University in support of the Pinnacle, Capstone, and Keystone programs.

In 2019, General Scaparrotti completed a distinguished 41-year career in the US Army as the Commander, US European Command and Supreme Allied Commander Europe, NATO. As the NATO Commander, General Scaparrotti worked to preserve the security and stability of the Alliance and strengthen it in the face of traditional and new-age adversaries. He collaborated with the leadership of all 29 NATO member nations, as well as the various NATO partner countries around the world.

Prior to General Scaparrotti’s leadership position at NATO and US European Command, General Scaparrotti served as the Commander of US Forces Korea / United Nations Command / Combined Forces Command in Seoul, South Korea from 2013 to 2016. He has also served as the Director of the Joint Staff, Commander of the International Security Assistance Force, the Deputy Commander of US Forces - Afghanistan, the Commanding General of I Corps and Joint Base Lewis-McChord, and the Commanding General of the 82nd Airborne Division.

Additionally, over the years, General Scaparrotti served in key leadership positions at the tactical, operational, and strategic level of the United States military. These positions have included Director of Operations at US Central Command, and the 69th Commandant of Cadets at the US Military Academy at West Point. He has commanded forces during Operations Iraqi Freedom, Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan), Support Hope (Zaire/Rwanda), Joint Endeavor (Bosnia-Herzegovina), and Assured Response (Liberia).

General Scaparrotti’s awards and decorations include the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, the Distinguished Service Medal, the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, and the Army Meritorious Service Medal. Additionally, he has earned the Combat Action Badge, the Expert Infantryman Badge, the Master Parachutist Badge, and the Ranger Tab.

General Scaparrotti graduated from the US Military Academy at West Point in 1978. His military education includes the Infantry Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Command and General Staff College, and the US Army War College. Additionally, General Scaparrotti holds a Master’s degree in Administrative Education from the University of South Carolina.

In addition to his work with the National Defense University, General Scaparrotti is a senior counselor with The Cohen Group, a member of the Board of Directors of the Atlantic Council, a member of the Advisory Board of the Patriot Foundation, a member of the Advisory Board of the Spirit of America, and member of the Board of Directors of the Korea Defense Veterans Association.





**STEPHEN W. WILSON**  
**GENERAL**  
**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**  
**(RETIRED)**

**Former Vice Chief of Staff**  
**United States Air Force**

**Pacific Trip Senior Fellow**



Stephen Wilson is employed as a Senior Fellow for the National Defense University in support of the Pinnacle, Capstone, and Keystone programs.

General Wilson is a retired 4-star U.S. Air Force General with over 39 years of military service. He has extensive operational experience including commanding the largest Wing in the Middle East and commanding and reinvigorating America's nuclear Bombers and Missile forces in Global Strike Command before assuming his duties as the 39th Vice Chief of Staff of the Air Force. As the Vice Chief, he was the senior military officer that managed the organizing, training, and equipping over 685,000 active duty, Guard and Reserve Airmen helping direct strategy, policy, acquisition, technology, personnel and risk management. He served on the Joint Requirements Oversight Council setting the acquisition requirements for DoD. He helped manage the planning, programming, budgeting and execution of the Air Force's \$205B annual budget.

General Wilson was widely acknowledged as the driving force for embracing both innovative technology and new thinking to include the startup of AFWERX, a U.S Air Force program which expands technology, talent, and transition partnerships for rapid and affordable commercial and military capabilities. In 2020, AFWERX was named as one of the Top 20 Best workplaces for Innovators in the World. His many awards and decorations include three Defense Service Medals, the Defense Superior Service Medal, two Legions of Merit, two Bronze Stars, and two Air Medals.

General Wilson is a command pilot with over 4,500 flight hours that includes nearly 700 combat hours. He is a graduate of Texas A&M University and the U.S. Air Force Weapons School. He holds two Master's degrees - one in Engineering Management from South Dakota School of Mines and Technology and one in Strategic Studies from Air 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.

## Mr. Eric Workman Deputy Director - Operations

Eric Workman is the newest member of the Capstone, Keystone, Pinnacle Program staff. Prior to joining the NDU Team, Eric worked at the Department of the Treasury.

Eric graduated from the University of Pittsburgh where he received a Bachelor of Science in Economics, a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, a Certificate in Russian, Eurasian, and Eastern European Studies, a Minor in Turkish, and a Minor in Linguistics. While at Pitt, Eric received several national scholarships including the Department of State's Critical Language Scholarship, the Department of Defense's Boren Scholarship, and the Department of Education's Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship. For his work on Russian influence operations, Eric was awarded the Brackenridge Research Fellowship by the University of Pittsburgh's Honors College. Eric has presented his research at conferences and universities throughout the country including at Yale University, Columbia University, and at the annual meeting of the Middle East Studies Association.

Eric grew up in a military family and moved over 15 times, but is proud to now call Washington, D.C. home. He loves traveling, trying new foods, and sports—especially running and baseball.



**Fellows**





# BIOGRAPHY

**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**

## BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN R. ANDRUS

Brigadier General (Dr.) John R. Andrus is the Commander, 711th Human Performance Wing (HPW), Air Force Research Laboratory, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. The 711 HPW advances human performance and integration for air, space, and cyberspace through research, education, consultation, and operational support. The Wing operates at seven geographically separated sites and includes the Airman Systems Directorate and the U.S. Air Force School of Aerospace Medicine. General Andrus oversees more than 2,000 personnel and an annual \$400 million budget. He provides the strategic direction for training, consultation, policies, and programs in Air Force biotechnology, aerospace and occupational medicine, public health, and bioenvironmental engineering.



General Andrus entered the Air Force in 1988 through the Uniformed Services University and has completed family medicine, aerospace, and general preventive medicine residencies. He has served as Staff Family Physician, Allergy Provider, NASA Support Flight Surgeon, Squadron Flight Surgeon and Chief of Aerospace Medicine, and has commanded a medical operations squadron, medical squadron, and medical operations group. Staff tours include service at US Africa Command and US Air Force Space Command. Prior to his current position, he served as Command Surgeon and Director, Global Patient Movement Operations at US Transportation Command.

General Andrus is a chief flight surgeon who has been an airlifter, logging the majority of his flying hours in C-130E, C-9A, C-17A, C-5A, and T-1A aircraft. A career flight surgeon, he deployed to support Atlas Response airlift operations and was the lead flight surgeon in the evacuation of injured USS Cole sailors from Yemen. He is the recipient of the Mackay Trophy, the Malcolm C. Grow Award and the Life Cycle Logistics Field Award.

### EDUCATION

1988 Bachelor of Science Degree in Biological Sciences, University of California, Irvine, Calif.  
1993 Doctor of Medicine, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, Md.  
1996 Family Practice Residency, 60th Medical Group, Travis AFB, Calif.  
1997 Aerospace Medicine Primary Course  
1998 Squadron Officer School Correspondence Program  
2002 Master of Public Health, University of California, Berkeley, Calif.  
2002 Air Command and Staff College Distance Learning Program  
2003 Aerospace Medicine Residency, USAF School of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks City-Base, Tex.  
2004 General Preventive Medicine Residency, USAF School of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks City-Base, Tex.  
2007 Air War College Distance Learning Program  
2016 Master of Science of National Resource Strategy (Supply Chain Management Concentration), Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy, National Defense University, Ft McNair, Washington, D.C.  
2021 Project Management Professional Certification

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1988-May 1993, Medical Student, Uniformed Services University, Bethesda, Md.
2. July 1993-June 1996, Family Practice Resident, 60th Medical Group, Travis AFB, Calif.
3. August 1996-July 1998, Family Physician, 65th Medical Group, Lajes Field, Azores
4. July 1998-June 1999, Flight Surgeon, 86th Medical Group, Ramstein AB, Germany
5. July 1999-July 2001, Flight Surgeon, 37th Airlift Squadron, Ramstein AB, Germany
6. August 2001-June 2002, Air Force Institute of Technology Graduate Student, University of California, Berkeley, Calif.
7. July 2002-June 2004, Resident in Aerospace Medicine, USAF School of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks City-Base, Tex.
8. July 2004-June 2006, Chief of Aerospace Medicine, 62nd Medical Group, McChord AFB, Wash.
9. June 2006-June 2008, Commander, 62nd Medical Operations Squadron, McChord AFB, Wash.

10. June 2008-July 2009, Commander, 62nd Medical Squadron, JBSA Lewis-McChord, Wash.
11. September 2009-July 2012, Deputy Command Surgeon, HQ US Africa Command, Kelley Barracks, Stuttgart, Germany
12. July 2012-July 2015, Commander, 59th Medical Operations Group, JBSA Lackland, Tex.
13. July 2015-June 2016, Student, The Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy, The National Defense University, Ft. McNair, Washington, D.C.
14. July 2016-June 2018, Command Surgeon, HQ Air Force Space Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.
15. June 2018-July 2021, Command Surgeon, US Transportation Command, Scott AFB, Ill.
16. July 2021-present, Commander, 711th Human Performance Wing, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

#### **JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. September 2009-July 2012, Deputy Command Surgeon, HQ US Africa Command, Kelley Barracks, Stuttgart, Germany
2. June 2018-July 2021, Command Surgeon, US Transportation Command, Scott AFB, Ill.

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Chief Flight Surgeon

Flight hours: 918

Aircraft flown: C-130E, C-130H, C-9A, C-21A, C-5A, C-17A, T-1, T-37, T-38, F-16D, UH-1, HH-60

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

Defense Superior Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

Joint Meritorious Unit Award with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with five oak leaf clusters

Air Force Recognition Ribbon

Kosovo Campaign Medal

Humanitarian Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal

Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

#### **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

1992 Emma L. Bockman Memorial Award for outstanding scholarly activity

1993 Outstanding Family Practice Student Award

1996 Society of Teachers of Family Medicine, Resident Teacher Award

2000 Mackay Trophy Recipient

2000 Malcolm C. Grow Air Force Flight Surgeon of the Year Award

2016 Life Cycle Logistics Field Award, The International Society of Logistics, Defense Acquisition University

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

Second Lieutenant April 15, 1988

Captain May 15, 1993

Major May 15, 1999

Lieutenant Colonel May 31, 2003

Colonel May 31, 2009

Brigadier General May 4, 2021

(Current as of August 2021)



# National Guard

**Major General JOSEPH R. BALDWIN**

**National Guard Assistant for Director of the Army National Guard Staff  
Arlington, VA  
Since: May 2021**



SOURCE OF COMMISSIONED SERVICE ROTC

EDUCATIONAL DEGREES

University of North Alabama - BS - Education  
Touro University (International) - MBA - Military Management  
United States Army War College - MSS - Strategic Studies

MILITARY SCHOOLS ATTENDED

Engineer Officer Basic Course  
Engineer Officer Advanced Course  
United States Army Command and General Staff College  
United States Army War College  
Dual Status Commanders Course (NORTHCOM)  
General and Flag Officer Homeland Security Executive Seminar (GFOS)  
Joint Task Force Commanders Course (NORTHCOM)  
Army Senior Leader Development Seminar (SLDS)

FOREIGN LANGUAGE(S) None Recorded

PROMOTIONS

DATE OF APPOINTMENT

2LT	13 May 89
1LT	23 May 92
CPT	10 Jun 94
MAJ	1 Mar 99
LTC	31 Aug 05
COL	30 Jun 11
BG	1 Jan 19
MG	24 Jun 21

FROM

TO

ASSIGNMENT

May 21	Present	National Guard Assistant for Director of the Army National Guard Staff, Arlington, Virginia
Jan 19	May 21	Assistant Adjutant General, Phoenix, AZ; dual-hatted, March 2020 - May 2021, Deputy Commanding General, ARNG (RC), United States Army Maneuver Support Center of Excellence, Fort Leonard Wood, MO
May 17	Dec 18	State G-3, State Headquarters, Phoenix, Arizona
Jun 15	May 17	Commander, 158th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, Phoenix, Arizona
Nov 13	May 15	Army National Guard G-1, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia
Feb 11	Nov 13	Division Chief, Army National Guard G-1, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia
Jun 10	Feb 11	Plans Branch Chief, Army National Guard G-8, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia
Jul 09	Jun 10	Resident Student, United States Army War College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania

Nov 08	Jul 09	Programs Branch Chief, Army National Guard G-8, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia
Aug 05	Nov 08	Deputy National Guard Advisor, United States Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina and OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Camp Victory, Iraq
Jun 04	Aug 05	Programs Team Leader, Army National Guard G-8, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia
Feb 02	Jun 04	Program Analyst, Headquarters Department of Army G-8, Program Analysis and Evaluation Division, Pentagon, Washington, District of Columbia
May 01	Feb 02	Program Analyst, Army National Guard G-8, National Guard Bureau, Arlington, Virginia
May 99	May 01	Plans Analyst, National Guard Bureau G-8, Arlington, Virginia
Jun 98	May 99	Assistant Brigade S-3, 98th Troop Command, Phoenix, Arizona
Sep 97	Jun 98	Training Site Manager, State Headquarters, Phoenix, Arizona
Jul 95	Sep 97	Commander, 258th Engineer Company, Phoenix, Arizona
Apr 94	Jul 95	Facilities/Construction Management Engineer, State Headquarters, Phoenix, Arizona
Nov 93	Apr 94	Platoon Leader, Company A, 877th Engineer Battalion, Winfield, Alabama
Apr 93	Nov 93	Civil Engineer/Executive Officer, Team 877, Fort Clayton, Panama
May 89	Apr 93	Platoon Leader, Company B, 877th Engineer Battalion, Vernon, Alabama

#### SUMMARY OF OPERATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

Plans Officer, Multi-National Corps-Iraq C-5, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Camp Victory, Iraq	DATE Mar 08 - Sep 08	GRADE Lieutenant Colonel
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#### US DECORATIONS AND BADGES

Legion of Merit  
 Defense Meritorious Service Medal  
 Meritorious Service Medal (with 4 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
 Army Commendation Medal (with 1 Silver and 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
 Army Superior Unit Award  
 Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
 National Defense Service Medal (with 1 Bronze Service Star)  
 Iraq Campaign Medal  
 Global War on Terrorism Service Medal  
 Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Silver Hourglass and "M" device)  
 Army Service Ribbon  
 Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon  
 Arizona Exceptionally Long Service Medal  
 Arizona Long Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
 Arizona Service Ribbon (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
 Arizona State Active Duty Ribbon  
 Master Parachutist Badge  
 The Army Staff Identification Badge  
 Royal Australian Parachutist Badge  
 German Parachutist Badge  
 Chilean Parachutist Badge  
 Royal Netherlands Army Parachute Badge

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

National Guard Association of the United States  
 Association of the United States Army  
 Army Engineer Association

#### OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2004, Operations Research and Systems Analysis Trained – National Guard Bureau

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# Rear Admiral Stephen Barnett

## Commander, Navy Region Hawaii



Rear Adm. Stephen D. Barnett is a native of Columbia, Tennessee. He is an alumnus of Tennessee State University, where he received a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering, and Troy State University where he earned a Master of Business Administration. He earned his commission at Aviation Officer Candidate School in 1991.

At sea, Barnett reported to Patrol Squadron (VP) 46 stationed at Naval Air Station (NAS) Whidbey Island as a naval flight officer. He also served as the operations department administration officer onboard USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74), and as department head for VP-5 stationed at Naval Air Station (NAS) Jacksonville, Florida. As commanding officer of VP-47 stationed at Kaneohe, Hawaii, he led the squadron on a simultaneous deployment

to Japan and Iraq, executing more than 250 missions in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. During his tour, the squadron completed more than 950 sorties comprising 5,000 hours.

His assignments ashore include serving as a detailee at the Bureau of Naval Personnel, directing the assignments of more than 1,000 naval aviators; naval flight officer instructor for VP-30, NAS Jacksonville; assistant Joint Requirements Oversight Council Secretariat, assisting in the evaluation and development of joint force requirements on the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Barnett served as senior program analyst for Chief of Naval Operations (OPNAV N80), he monitored naval aviation's \$137 billion annual budget, and as deputy executive assistant to the Vice Chief of Naval Operations. Additional assignments include deputy director of the Resource Management Division for the Chief of Naval Operations (Manpower Personnel, Training, and Education), commanding officer of Naval Base Coronado, California, as chief of staff for Commander,

Navy Region Southeast and Commander, Navy Installations Command and deputy commander, Navy Installations Command. Barnett's previous flag officer assignments were as commander, Navy Region Northwest and commander, Navy Region Southwest.

Barnett assumed command as commander, Navy Region Hawaii in June 2022.

# BIOGRAPHY

## *UNITED STATES COAST GUARD*

### **CAPTAIN RICHARD E. BATSON**

Captain Batson currently serves as Chief of Staff for the Fifth Coast Guard District and is responsible for the Coast Guard maritime safety and security missions throughout the Mid-Atlantic region from central New Jersey through North Carolina, covering 156,000 square miles of ocean, bays, and rivers, the major Mid-Atlantic ports, and our Nation's Capital. He will be frocked to Rear Admiral in April and report as the Coast Guard's Judge Advocate General in June of 2023



CAPT Batson previously served as the Commanding Officer of the Coast Guard Legal Service Command, providing full-spectrum legal support for the Coast Guard's Mission Support enterprise, and military justice and court-martial support for the entire U.S. Coast Guard. As a Judge Advocate, Captain Batson also served as the Executive Assistant to the Judge Advocate General and Chief, Office of Legal Policy and Program Development; as a member of the Military Justice Review Group, established by the DoD General Counsel to conduct a comprehensive review of the military justice system; as Staff Judge Advocate at Coast Guard Training Center Yorktown; the Contract and Fiscal Law Branch and Operations Law Branch at Coast Guard Maintenance and Logistics Command Atlantic; and as a Trial Counsel at the U.S. Navy Trial Service Office at Naval Station Norfolk, where he was also appointed a Special Assistant U.S. Attorney. In 2008, he was appointed to the Trial Judiciary and served as a Military Judge, presiding at Courts-Martial throughout the Coast Guard until 2012.

Captain Batson has also served in a variety of assignments outside the legal program, including Speechwriter and Special Assistant to the Commandant of the Coast Guard; Executive Officer of Maritime Intelligence Fusion Center Atlantic; Coast Guard Marine Safety Office Tampa, Florida, where he served as Senior Investigating Officer and Chief of Waterways Management; the Marine Investigations and Analysis Division at Coast Guard Headquarters; and the Coast Guard Cutter WOODRUSH, home ported in Sitka, Alaska.

Captain Batson is 1987 graduate of Appalachian State University with a B.S. in Music Industry Studies. He enlisted in the Coast Guard in 1989 and attended QM "A" school immediately following Basic Training. He was commissioned in 1993 following graduation from Officer Candidate School. Captain Batson is a 1998 graduate of Troy University with Master of Public Administration degree; a 2014-2015 Seminar XXI Fellow in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Center for International Studies; and a 2016 graduate of the Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy at National Defense University, where he earned the Master of Science degree in National Resource Strategy. He received his law degree (cum laude) in 2002 from the Case Western Reserve University School of Law, and was selected by the American Bar Association as the 2004-2005 Outstanding Young Military Lawyer for the United States Coast Guard.



## BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### BRIGADIER GENERAL STEVEN G. BEHMER

Brig. Gen. Steven G. Behmer is the Director of the F-35 Integration Office, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. He advises the Secretary of the Air Force and the Chief of Staff of the Air Force on the multi-billion dollar F-35 program, and engages with the Offices of the Secretary of Defense, the Joint Strike Fighter Program Office, the other services, Air Force Major Commands, partner and customer nation representatives to advance operational capabilities and sustainment needs of the F-35A.

Brig. Gen. Behmer entered the Air Force in 1998 after receiving his commission from the U.S. Air Force Academy. He is a command pilot with more than 3,100 flying hours, primarily in the A-10 and F-35, including more than 110 combat sorties in Operation Enduring Freedom. He has flown as an evaluator, instructor, weapons officer and operational test pilot in the A-10A, A-10C and F-35A. He has served as an operations officer, a deployed A-10 squadron commander and as the commandant of the U.S. Air Force Weapons School.

Brig. Gen. Behmer was also a National Security Affairs Fellow at the Hoover Institution on War, Revolution and Peace at Stanford University. Prior to his current assignment, Brig. Gen. Behmer was the Commander, 388th Fighter Wing, Hill Air Force Base, Utah.

#### EDUCATION

1998 Bachelor of Science, Operations Research, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

2005 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

2005 U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.

2009 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

2009 Master of Aeronautical Science, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Fla.

2011 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

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

2016 National Security Affairs Fellow, Hoover Institution on War, Revolution and Peace, Stanford University, Calif.

2019 Strategic Leadership Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Colorado Springs, Colo.

2021 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

2022 Enterprise Perspective Seminar, Alan L. Freed Associates, The Capitol Hill Club, Washington, D.C.

#### ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1998–May 2000, Student, Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training, Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas

2. May 2000–November 2000, Student, A-10 flying training, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.

3. November 2000–November 2001, A-10 Squadron Pilot and Battalion Air Liaison Officer (BALO), 25th Fighter Squadron, Osan Air Base, South Korea

4. November 2001–October 2004, A-10 Instructor and Evaluator Pilot, 355th Fighter Squadron, Eielson AFB, Alaska

5. October 2004–June 2007, A-10 Instructor Pilot and Squadron Weapons and Tactics Officer, 354th Fighter Squadron and 358th Fighter Squadron, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.

6. June 2007–June 2010, A-10 Weapons School Instructor Pilot, Operational Test Pilot and Operations Officer, 66th Weapons Squadron, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.

7. June 2010–June 2011, Student, U.S. Air Force Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.



### EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant  
May 28, 1998



First Lieutenant  
May 28, 2000



Captain  
May 28, 2002



Major  
September 01, 2007



Lieutenant Colonel  
December 01, 2011



Colonel



8. June 2011–May 2013, Forward Air Controller Capabilities Section Chief, Headquarters Allied Air Command, NATO, Ramstein AB, Germany
9. March 2013–May 2015, Commander, 354th Fighter Squadron, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz. (February 2015-May 2015, Commander, 354th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron, Campia Turzii, Romania)
10. June 2015–June 2016, National Security Affairs Fellow, Hoover Institution on War, Revolution and Peace, Stanford University, Calif.
11. June 2016–June 2017, Executive Officer to the Commander, Air Combat Command, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
12. June 2017–June 2019, Commandant, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
13. June 2019–June 2021, Commander, 388th Fighter Wing, Hill AFB, Utah
14. July 2021–present, Director, F-35 Integration Office, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

May 01, 2017

Brigadier General  
October 02, 2022



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

1. June 2011–May 2013, Forward Air Controller Capabilities Section Chief, Headquarters Allied Air Command, NATO, Ramstein Air Base, Germany, as a lieutenant colonel

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: more than 3,100

Aircraft flown: T-3, T-37, T-38, AT-38, O/A-10A, A-10A, A-10C, F-35A

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

Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Combat Action Medal

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

Second Lieutenant May 28, 1998

First Lieutenant May 28, 2000

Captain May 28, 2002

Major Sept. 1, 2007

Lieutenant Colonel Dec. 1, 2011

Colonel May 1, 2017

Brigadier General Oct. 2, 2022

(Current as of October 2022)





# **REAR ADMIRAL BRIAN H. BENNETT**

## ASSISTANT COMMANDER – NAVY

### JOINT SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND

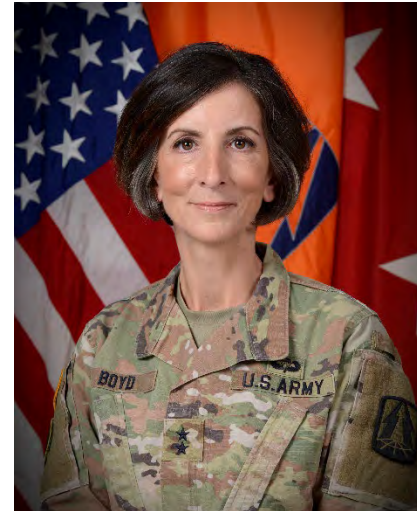
Rear Admiral Brian H. Bennett is the Assistant Commander – Navy of the Joint Special Operations Command. He previously served as the Executive Officer to the Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command. Command assignments include SEAL Delivery Vehicle Team 1, SEAL Team 8, Naval Special Warfare Tactical Development and Evaluation Squadrons 1 and 3, and JSOC Joint Interagency Task Force - National Capital Region. RDML Bennett then served as Operations Officer and Deputy Commander to Naval Special Warfare Development Group, moving on to command Naval Special Warfare Group 3.

RDML Bennett is a 1996 graduate of the United States Naval Academy, graduating from Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL Training Class 210 in 1997. He holds a master's degree in National Security Strategy from the National War College.



**Major General Tina B. Boyd**  
**Commanding General**  
**335th Signal Command (Theater)**  
**East Point, Georgia**

Major General Tina Boyd received her commission as a Signal Officer from the United States Military Academy, West Point, NY. She is a graduate of the U.S. Army War College, Joint Combined Warfighter School, NATO Senior Officer Strategic Communications Course, Command and General Staff College, Combined Arms Staff Service School, the Battalion Brigade Signal Officer Course, the Signal Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, and Airborne School.



Major General Boyd's previous assignments include:

US Central Command J6, MacDill Air Force Base; Commanding General, 335th Signal Command (Theater) (Provisional) and Army Central G6, Camp Arifjan, Kuwait; Deputy Commanding General – Cyber, 335th Signal Command (Theater), East Point, Georgia; Chief of Staff for the 335<sup>th</sup> Signal Command (T); Commander, Joint Enabling Capabilities Command Army Reserve Element, Norfolk, Virginia; Deputy Chief of Staff G-6, 84th Training Command (Unit Readiness), Fort Knox, Kentucky; Deputy Chief of Staff G-6, Great Lakes Division, Fort Sheridan, Illinois; Deputy Chief of Staff G-6, 100th Division, Fort Knox, Kentucky; Garrison S-6, Fort Campbell, Kentucky; S-3, United States Army Forces Command Augmentation Unit, Fort McPherson, Georgia; Battle Command Staff Training Project Manager, 87th Division, Birmingham, Alabama; Executive Officer Current Operations C3, Coalition Forces Land Component Command, Camp Doha, Kuwait; Chief Air Defense Signal Officer, G-3, Third Army, Fort McPherson, Georgia; Assistant S-1, Platoon Leader, and Signal Company Executive Officer 11th Air Defense Signal Battalion, Darmstadt, Germany.

Major General Boyd holds a Masters Degree in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania; a Masters of Business Administration from the Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia; and a Bachelor of Science Degree from the United States Military Academy, West Point, New York.

Her awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (with oak leaf cluster), the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (with three oak leaf clusters), the Army Commendation Medal (with two oak leaf clusters), the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Army Achievement Medal (with two oak leaf clusters), and the Parachutist Badge.

The majority of Major General Boyd's civilian professional career has been with The Coca-Cola Company in Atlanta, GA, as a program manager with the Innovation Operations Directorate. She resides in Prospect, KY with her husband and daughter.



**Rear Admiral Thomas R. "TR" Buchanan**

**Commander, Submarine Group Ten**

Rear Adm. Thomas R. "TR" Buchanan grew up in a Navy family. He is a native of Vallejo, California and a 1992 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy with a degree in Systems Engineering. He holds a Master of Science in Information Technology Management from George Washington University.

His operational assignments included command of Submarine Squadron 20, in Kings Bay, Georgia and USS Albany (SSN 753) in Norfolk, Virginia. He also served aboard the USS Asheville (SSN 758) as a division officer; USS Florida (SSBN 728) (GOLD) as engineer officer; and USS Norfolk (SSN 714) as executive officer.

His staff assignments included duty as Commandant of Midshipmen at the U.S. Naval Academy; executive assistant to the Director of the Joint Staff; lead shipbuilding program analyst (OPNAV N80); officer-in-charge and operations officer, Commander, Task Force 54 Detachment Bahrain; special assistant to Commander, U.S. Joint Forces Command; aide to the Director, Naval Reactors; action officer (OPNAV N513) and an intern on the Joint Staff (J5); and recently as the Deputy Director, Strategy, Plans, and Policy, U.S. Central Command (CCJ5). In 2005 and 2009, he completed the Submarine Command Course.

Rear Admiral Buchanan assumed his duties as Commander, Submarine Group TEN / Commander, Task Group 114.4 in September 2022.

He is a recipient of the 2002 Naval Submarine League VADM Lockwood award for submarine professional excellence.



# BIOGRAPHY

## UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE

### BRIGADIER GENERAL DENNIS O. BYTHEWOOD

Brig. Gen. Dennis O. Bythewood is Commander, Joint Task Force – Space Defense at Schriever Space Force Base, Colorado. JTF-SD's mission is to conduct space superiority operations in unified action with mission partners to deter aggression, defend space capability, and when directed, defeat adversaries throughout the continuum of conflict.

Brig. Gen. Bythewood entered the Air Force via the Reserve Officers Training Corps in 1992 upon graduating from the University of Vermont and transferred to the Space Force in 2021. He has commanded space operations at the squadron and group level and led acquisitions as a Materiel Leader, two-time Program Director, and Program Executive Officer.



Prior to his current position, Brig. Gen. Bythewood was Deputy Commander, Joint Task Force-Space Defense.

### EDUCATION

1992 Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering, University of Vermont, Burlington  
2004 Master of Business Administration, University of Colorado-Colorado Springs

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. October 1992 – June 1996, Range System Manager, 501st Range Squadron, Hill Air Force Base, UT
2. July 1996 – August 1999, Electric Combat Analyst and Chief, Unmanned Air Vehicle
3. Branch, Detachment 1, 31st Test and Evaluation Squadron, Kirtland AFB, NM
4. August 1999 – June 2002, Chief, Test and Certification, System Test Division, Milstar Joint Program Office, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
5. July 2002 – October 2005, Chief of Engineering, Operations Support Flight Commander and Operations Officer, 4th Space Operations Squadron, Schriever AFB, Colo.
6. November 2005 – July 2007, Chief, Military Satellite Communications Operations Branch, HAF/DCS, Air, Space and Information Operations, Plans, Requirements, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
7. August 2007 – May 2009, Executive Officer, SAF/SO, Air Forces Smart Operations, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
8. June 2009 – June 2011, Commander, Space Communications Operations Squadron, Network Operations Group, Mission Operations Directorate, National Reconnaissance Office, Los Angeles, Calif.
9. July 2011 – July 2013, Materiel Leader, Space Based Infrared System Production, Infrared Space Systems Directorate, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.

10. August 2013 – June 2014, Director, Ground Frontiers Office, Ground Enterprise Directorate, National Reconnaissance Office, Chantilly, Va.
11. July 2014 – June 2016, Commander, 50th Operations Group, Schriever AFB, Colo.
12. July 2016 – December 2016, Special Assistant to the Director, Remote Sensing Systems Directorate, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
13. December 2016 – October 2018, Senior Materiel Leader & Director, Remote Sensing Systems Directorate, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
14. October 2018 – July 2020, Director, Space Development Corps and Program Executive Officer for Space Development, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
15. July 2020 – June 2021, Senior Materiel Leader and Director, Special Programs, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
16. July 2021 – November 2022, Deputy Commander, Joint Task Force-Space Defense, U.S. Space Command Schriever SFB, Colo.
17. November 2022 – present, Commander, Joint Task Force-Space Defense, U.S. Space Command Schriever SFB, Colo.

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

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

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTIONS**

Second Lieutenant May 15, 1992  
First Lieutenant June 01, 1994  
Captain June 01, 1996 Major February 01, 2003  
Lieutenant Colonel February 01, 2008  
Colonel April 01, 2014  
Brigadier General August 17, 2021

***(Current as of February 2023)***



## **Rear Admiral Mike Campbell**

### **United States Coast Guard**

### **Director of Acquisition Programs &**

### **Program Executive Officer**



Rear Admiral Mike Campbell will assume the role of the Coast Guard's Director of Acquisition Programs and Program Executive Officer (PEO) in July 2023. His duties include management oversight of all Coast Guard acquisition programs for the modernization and recapitalization of surface, air, command and control, and logistics assets in support of the Coast Guard's multiple maritime missions.

In his prior assignment as the Chief of Staff for the Eleventh Coast Guard District, he served as the principal advisor to the District Commander on all Coast Guard missions conducted in the states of California, Arizona, Nevada, and Utah and the coastal and offshore waters to include 3.3 million square miles from the CA/OR border to Peru.

Originally from Cape May, New Jersey, Rear Admiral Campbell received his commission from the Coast Guard Academy in 1994. His first assignment was as Engineer and Deck Watch Officer aboard CGC NORTHLAND in Portsmouth, Virginia. Following this afloat tour, he served as a Port Engineer at Naval Engineering Support Unit, New Orleans before reporting to Naval Flight Training in Pensacola, Florida, where he earned his wings in 1998.

Rear Admiral Campbell reported as part of the "Plank Owner" crew for the newly established Group-Air Station Atlantic City, New Jersey where he qualified as an HH-65A/B Aircraft Commander. During this tour, he was designated as a Coast Guard Aeronautical Engineer and was selected to become the first Aeronautical Engineer Officer, again as a "Plank Owner", of the newly created Helicopter Interdiction Tactical Squadron (HITRON) Jacksonville in 2001.

In addition to his operational tours as a junior and mid-grade officer, Rear Admiral Campbell served in various command and control assignments that included Executive Officer of Air Station / Sector Field Office (SFO) Port Angeles, WA, Commanding Officer of Air Station San Francisco, CA, and most recently as Commanding Officer of HITRON Jacksonville, FL.

Rear Admiral Campbell's staff assignments include serving as Chief of Response for the Eleventh Coast Guard District and serving as the H-65 Helicopter Conversion / Sustainment Acquisition Project Manager where he managed the \$1.15B project to modernize the Coast Guard's fleet of 102 H-65 helicopters.

Rear Admiral Campbell holds a Bachelor of Science in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering from the Coast Guard Academy, a Master of Science in Systems Engineering from The Johns Hopkins University, and a Master of Science in National Resource Strategy from the National Defense University Eisenhower School in Washington DC. He is a DHS Senior Fellow, a graduate of the Center for Homeland Defense and Security Executive Leaders Program, and holds a DHS Level III Program Management certification since 2008.





# BIOGRAPHY



## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### BRIGADIER GENERAL HOUSTON R. CANTWELL

Brig. Gen. Houston R. Cantwell is Commander, Jeanne M. Holm Center for Officer Accessions and Citizen Development, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. Brig. Gen. Cantwell leads more than 3,300 Airmen training 120,000 cadets at 2,085 global locations. As the Air Force's largest officer accessioning source, the Holm Center includes 15,000 cadets at 1,200 colleges and universities nationwide for Air Force ROTC, 2,500 cadets annually attending Officer Training School at Maxwell and more than 90,000 cadets in 870 high schools globally supporting Air Force Junior ROTC. The Holm Center produces more than 80% of the Air Force and Space Force's line officers, chaplains, judge advocates and medical officers.

Brig. Gen. Cantwell was commissioned in 1994 as a distinguished graduate of the University of Virginia Air Force ROTC program. He has commanded at multiple levels including two combat units, first as Commander of the 455th Expeditionary Operations Support Squadron at Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan, and later, was the initial Commander of the 732nd Operations Group at Creech Air Force Base, Nev. In addition, he served as the Wing Commander of the 49th Wing at Holloman AFB, N.M. He has performed staff duties at the Pentagon, Headquarters U.S. Air Forces in Europe and U.S. Forces Japan. Most recently, he served as the Commander of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Alliance Ground Surveillance Force.



Brig. Gen. is a Command Pilot with more than 2,100 flying hours, including more than 400 combat hours, primarily in the F-16 Fighting Falcon and MQ-9 Reaper.

### EDUCATION

1994 Bachelor of Science, Systems Engineering, University of Virginia, Charlottesville  
1999 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.  
2002 Master of Arts, Organizational Management, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C.  
2006 Master of Arts, Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2007 Master of Arts, Airpower Art and Science, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2008 Air War College, by correspondence  
2012 Master of Arts, National Security Strategy, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.  
2015 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
2017 Leadership Enhancement Program, Center for Creative Leadership, San Diego

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1994–June 1996, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.
2. July 1996–May 1997, Student, F-16 Training, Luke AFB, Ariz.
3. May 1997–February 1999, F-16CG Aircraft Commander, Osan Air Base, South Korea
4. February 1999–June 2000, F-16CG Aircraft Commander, Moody AFB, Ga.
5. July 2000–June 2002, Intern and Graduate Student, Headquarters Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
6. July 2002–July 2005, F-16CJ Instructor Pilot, later, Flight Commander and Wing Chief of Standardization and Evaluation, Misawa AB, Japan
7. August 2005–July 2006, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
8. July 2006–August 2007, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
9. August 2007–March 2009, Staff Officer, Policy and Doctrine and Operations Divisions, Third Air Force, Ramstein

AB, Germany

10. March 2009–May 2010, Executive Officer to the Commander, U.S. Air Forces in Europe, Ramstein AB, Germany
11. May 2010–May 2011, Commander, 455th Expeditionary Operations Support Squadron, Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan
12. June 2011–June 2012, Student, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
13. July 2012–August 2012, Student, MQ-9 Transition Course, Holloman AFB, N.M.
14. September 2012–March 2014, Commander, 732nd Operations Group, Creech AFB, Nev.
15. March 2014–July 2016, Director of Operations, U.S. Forces Japan, Yokota AB, Japan
16. July 2016–July 2018, Commander, 49th Wing, Holloman AFB, N.M.
17. July 2018–July 2020, Vice Superintendent, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.
18. July 2020–July 2022, Commanding General, NATO Alliance Ground Surveillance Force, Sigonella AB, Italy
19. July 2022-present, Commander, Jeanne M. Holm Center for Officer Accessions and Citizen Development, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

## **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. March 2014–July 2016, Director of Operations, U.S. Forces Japan, Yokota, Japan, as a colonel
2. July 2020–July 2022, Commanding General, NATO Alliance Ground Surveillance Force, Sigonella, Italy, as a brigadier general

## **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: more than 2,100

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38, F-16, RQ-4D and MQ-9

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Defense Superior Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Bronze Star Medal

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

## **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant      May 22, 1994

First Lieutenant      June 1, 1996

Captain      June 1, 1998

Major      Jan. 1, 2005

Lieutenant Colonel      June 1, 2008

Colonel      July 1, 2012

Brigadier General      Aug. 2, 2020

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### BRIGADIER GENERAL ANDREW M. CLARK

Brig Gen Andy “Spoo” Clark is the Commanding General, North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Alliance Ground Surveillance Force (NAGSF), stationed at the Italian Air Base, Sigonella, Italy. NAGSF operates the RQ-4D unmanned aircraft and conducts unified intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) operations in support of NATO and the Supreme Allied Commander Europe (SACEUR).

Brig Gen Clark entered active duty in January 1996 following his commission from the Reserve Officer Training Corps at the University of Wisconsin. He served in several leadership positions at the Squadron, Group, and Wing level, including Commander of the 99<sup>th</sup> Expeditionary Reconnaissance Squadron at Al Dhafra Air Base, UAE, Commander of the 9<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Wing at Beale AFB, California, and Commander of the 380<sup>th</sup> Air Expeditionary Wing at Al Dhafra AB, UAE. He is a Command Pilot with over 4,100 hours in the U-2S, the AC-130U and various other aircraft. He has nearly 1,400 combat hours accumulated during missions in Bosnia (1998), Kosovo (1999), Afghanistan (2001-2021), and Iraq (2003-2022).



Prior to his current assignment, Gen Clark served as the Commander, 380<sup>th</sup> Air Expeditionary Wing, Al Dhafra Air Base, United Arab Emirates.

#### EDUCATION

1995 Bachelor of Science in Atmospheric Science, University of Wisconsin  
2002 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.  
2007 Air Command and Staff College (correspondence)  
2008 Master of Science, Strategic Intelligence, National Intelligence University, Washington, D.C.  
2012 Air War College (correspondence)  
2016 Master of Strategic Science, Distinguished Graduate, US Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.  
2019 Senior Executive Fellow, Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government  
2023 Senior Officer Policy Course, NATO School, Oberammergau, Germany

#### ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1996 – November 1997, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Laughlin Air Force Base/Corpus Christi, Texas
2. December 1997 – December 2000, AC-130U Pilot, Chief of Mobility, 4th Special Operations Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
3. January 2001 – December 2002, AC-130U Instructor Pilot, Training Officer, 4th Special Operations Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
4. January 2003 – June 2004, Flight Commander, AC-130U Evaluator Pilot, 4th Special Operations Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla.

5. July 2004 – December 2006, U-2S/T-38 Pilot, U-2S Instructor/Evaluator pilot, Standardization and Evaluation Liaison Officer, 99th Reconnaissance Squadron, Beale AFB, Calif.
6. January 2007 – July 2007, U-2S Group Evaluator Pilot, 9th Operations Group, Beale AFB, Calif.
7. August 2007 – July 2008, Student, National Intelligence University, DIA, Bolling AFB, Washington, D.C.
8. August 2008 – May 2010, Chief of Test & Evaluation Policy, Chief of ISR Programs, Directorate of Test & Evaluation, HQ/USAF, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
9. June 2010 – April 2011, Director of Operations, 99th Reconnaissance Squadron, Beale AFB, Calif.
10. May 2011 – May 2012, Commander, 99th Expeditionary Reconnaissance Squadron, Al Dhafra Air Base, United Arab Emirates
11. June 2012 – November 2013, Deputy Director, Future Operations Chief, USNORTHCOM Joint Reconnaissance Center, Peterson AFB, Colo.
12. December 2013 – May 2015, Executive Officer, USNORTHCOM Director of Operations (J3), Peterson AFB, Colo.
13. June 2015 – June 2016, Student, US Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.
14. July 2016 – April 2017, Air Force Chair and Program Director for Central Asia, George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany
15. May 2017 – March 2018, Vice Commander, 9th Reconnaissance Wing, Beale AFB, Calif.
16. April 2018 – June 2020, Commander, 9th Reconnaissance Wing, Beale AFB, Calif.
17. July 2020 – May 2021, Senior Military Assistant to the Secretary and Under Secretary of the Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
18. June 2021 – June 2022, Commander, 380th Air Expeditionary Wing, Al Dhafra Air Base, United Arab Emirates
19. July 2022 – Present, Commanding General, NATO Alliance Ground Surveillance Force, Sigonella AB, Italy

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

1. June 2012 – May 2015, Deputy Director, USNORTHCOM Joint Reconnaissance Center, and Executive Officer, USNORTHCOM Director of Operations (J3), Peterson AFB, Colo., as a Lieutenant Colonel
2. July 2022–present, Commanding General, NATO Alliance Ground Surveillance Force, Sigonella AB, Italy, as a Brigadier General

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: 4,100+ (1,300+ Combat)

Aircraft flown: U-2S, TU-2S, T-38A, AC-130U, C-130E, KC-10, EC-130H, E-11, E-3, RQ-4

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

Legion of Merit with one oak leaf cluster

Distinguished Flying Cross with Valor Device

Bronze Star

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal

Air Medal with silver oak leaf cluster and two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Combat Action Medal

Joint Meritorious Unit Award with one oak leaf cluster

Gallant Unit Citation with one oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Unit Award with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Valor Device and three oak leaf clusters

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

Second Lieutenant      January 17, 1996

First Lieutenant      January 17, 1998

Captain      January 17, 2000

Major      March 1, 2006

Lieutenant Colonel      February 1, 2011

Colonel      April 1, 2017

Brigadier General      September 2, 2022

(Current as of October 2022)



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## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### BRIGADIER GENERAL TAD D. CLARK

Brig Gen Tad D. Clark is the Commander, 31st Fighter Wing, Aviano Air Base, Italy. He commands the only permanently assigned U.S. Air Force fighter aircraft wing in NATO's Southern Region. With approximately 4,200 active-duty military members, nearly 300 U.S. civilians and 700 Italian civilian employees, the wing conducts and supports air combat operations, and maintains munitions for NATO.

The wing's diverse mission sets are executed by Airmen that fly, maintain and support two F-16CM Fighting Falcon fighter squadrons, two combat search and rescue squadrons with pararescue Airmen and HH-60 Pavehawks, U.S. Air Forces Europe's only air control squadron, agile combat support squadrons, medical squadrons and numerous wing staff agencies.

Brigadier General Clark received his commission in 1996 from the U.S. Air Force Academy and earned his wings from Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training at Sheppard Air Force Base. Brigadier General Clark has served as an F-16 Mission Commander, Instructor Pilot, and Flight Examiner, led NATO's largest Link-16 large force exercise comprised of 85 aircraft, and was a member of the 2006-2007 USAF 'Thunderbirds' Air Demonstration Squadron. He has commanded at the squadron and wing levels.

Brigadier General Clark is a command pilot with over 3,300 flying hours in the T-37, T-38, AT-38, and F-16. He flew 118 missions in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM with multiple expeditionary fighter squadrons culminating in more than 600 combat hours in the F-16.

Prior to his current assignment, Brig. Gen Clark was the Director of Electromagnetic Spectrum (EMS) Superiority, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Arlington, Virginia.

#### EDUCATION

1996 Bachelor of Science in Management, USAF Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.  
2001 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2001 Masters in Business Administration, Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls, Texas  
2005 Tactical Leadership Programme, Florennes Air Base, Belgium  
2007 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence  
2010 Masters in Strategic Intelligence, National Intelligence University, Bolling AFB, Washington, D.C.  
2012 Air War College, by correspondence  
2014 Masters in National Security Strategy, National War College, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.  
2014 Joint Electromagnetic Warfare Theater Operations Course, San Antonio, Texas  
2018 Senior Leader Nuclear Management Course, USAF Nuclear College, Kirtland AFB, New Mexico  
2019 Senior Executive Education, Harvard Kennedy School, Cambridge, Mass.

#### ASSIGNMENTS OR CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1. Jan 1997 – Feb 1998, Student Pilot, Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training, 80 FTW, Sheppard AFB, Texas
2. Mar 1998 – Apr 2001, T-37 First Assignment Instructor Pilot, Check Section Pilot, 89 FTS, Sheppard AFB, Texas
3. May 2001 – Jun 2001, AT-38 Introduction to Fighter Fundamentals, 88 FTS, Sheppard AFB, Texas





4. Jul 2001 – Apr 2002, F-16 Basic Course, 61 FS, Luke AFB, Ariz.
5. May 2002 – Jun 2002, F-16 Night Systems Course, 310 FS, Luke AFB, Ariz.
6. Jul 2002 – Jul 2003, F-16 Flight Lead, Chief of Life Support, Chief of Safety, 35 FS, Kunsan AB, Republic of Korea
7. Aug 2003 – Oct 2005, F-16 Instructor Pilot, Flight Commander, Chief of Scheduling, 22 FS, Spangdahlem AB, Germany
8. Nov 2005 – Dec 2007, USAF Air Demonstration Squadron, the 'Thunderbirds', Nellis AFB, Nev.
9. Jan 2008 – Jun 2009, Aide-de-Camp to the Commander, USAF Warfare Center, and F-16 Adversary Tactics Pilot, IR Missile Expert, 64th Aggressor Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
10. Jul 2009 – Jul 2010, Graduate Student, National Intelligence University, Bolling AFB, Washington, D.C.
11. Aug 2010 – Mar 2012, Division Chief, Sr Leader Mgt, HQ Air Combat Command, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
12. Apr 2012 – Apr 2013, Commander, 451st Expeditionary Operations Support Squadron, Kandahar, Afghanistan
13. Jul 2013 – Jun 2014, Graduate Student, National War College, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.
14. Jul 2014 – May 2017, Joint Staff Officer, US Africa Command (USAFRICOM), Stuttgart, Germany
15. Jun 2017 – May 2019, Vice Commander, 52d Fighter Wing, Spangdahlem AB, Germany
16. May 2019 – Jun 2020, Commander, 8th Fighter Wing, Kunsan AB, Republic of Korea
17. Jul 2020 – Jul 2021, Senior Executive Officer to the Vice Chief of Staff of the Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
18. Jul 2021 – Jul 2022, Director, Electromagnetic Spectrum Superiority, HQ Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
19. Jul 2022 – Present, Commander, 31<sup>st</sup> Fighter Wing, Aviano AB, Italy

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

1. Jul 2014 – Jun 2015, Command Electronic Warfare Officer & Chief, Joint Cyber Center (J39), USAFRICOM, Stuttgart, Germany as a Lieutenant Colonel
2. Jul 2015 – Jun 2016, Deputy Division Chief, Information & Cyberspace Operations (J39), USAFRICOM, Stuttgart, Germany as a Lieutenant Colonel
3. Jul 2016 – May 2017, Senior Executive Officer, Deputy Commander, USAFRICOM, Stuttgart, Germany as a Colonel

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight Hours: 3,300+

Combat Hours: 600+

Aircraft Flown: T-37, T-38, AT-38, and F-16

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

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Bronze Star

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

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

Second Lieutenant May 29, 1996

First Lieutenant May 29, 1998

Captain May 29, 2000

Major May 1, 2006

Lieutenant Colonel Dec 1, 2010

Colonel Mar 1, 2017

Brigadier General Sep 1, 2022

**(CURRENT AS OF FEBRUARY 2023)**



## **Brigadier General Joseph R. Clearfield**

### **Deputy Commander, U. S. Marine Corps Forces Pacific**

BGen Joseph R. Clearfield was born in Bethesda, Maryland. He graduated from Union College in Schenectady, New York, with a Bachelor of Arts in history and was commissioned in 1993.

BGen Clearfield's past assignments include: Platoon Commander and Executive Officer, Company F, 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marines during Operation Uphold/ Restore Democracy in Haiti and Operation Assured Response in Liberia attached to the 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable); Commanding Officer, Company I, 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines attached to 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) during Operation Enduring Freedom and Regimental Combat Team 1 during Operation Iraqi Freedom; Operations Officer, 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines during Operation Iraqi Freedom II including Operation Vigilant Resolve in Fallujah, Iraq; Commanding Officer, Battalion Landing Team 1st Battalion, 4th Marines, 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit where he served as Mission Commander for recapture of the M/V Magellan Star. Commanding Officer 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit during their WESTPAC 17-2 deployment.



His staff assignments include: Operations Officer and Executive Officer, Recruiting Station Baltimore, Maryland; Head Coach, Naval Academy Sprint Football Team in addition to instructing midshipmen in combatives and ethics; Current Operations Group Section Head, Plans, Policies, and Operations, Headquarters Marine Corps; Military assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Asian Pacific Security Affairs in OSD-Policy; Operations Officer, Command Element 5th Marine Expeditionary Brigade in Bahrain; Chief of Staff, Marine Forces Cyber Command.

He is a graduate of Command & Staff College, Amphibious Warfare School, Airborne School (Honor Graduate), Naval Senior Officers Legal Course, and the Recruiting Management Course. He also earned a Master's of Science in Resource Strategy at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces (Distinguished Graduate), a Master's of Science from Duquesne University in Organizational Leadership, and is a graduate of Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program (AMP).



## Brigadier General E. Darrin Cox

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*Commanding General, U.S. Army Medical Readiness Command, West  
Director, Small Market and Stand-Alone Military MTF Organization*

BG E. Darrin Cox is currently Commanding General, Medical Readiness Command, West, at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and Director, Small Market and Stand-Alone Military Medical Treatment Facility Organization, Defense Health Agency.

BG Cox holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Washington University, a Doctor of Medicine from Thomas Jefferson University, and a master's degree in Strategic Studies (Distinguished Graduate) from the U.S. Army War College.

BG Cox entered the Army under the Health Professions Scholarship Program. He completed his general surgery residency and thoracic surgery fellowship at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, DC and is board certified in general and thoracic surgery. BG Cox is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and the American College of Chest Physicians and holds academic appointments at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, Maryland, and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso, El Paso, Texas. He is a recipient of the prestigious The Surgeon General's "A" proficiency designator for thoracic surgery.

BG Cox's previous command and staff assignments include: Command Surgeon, United States Army Forces Command; Commander, United States Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases; Deputy Medical Corps Chief, Office of The Surgeon General; Deputy Commanding Officer, William Beaumont Army Medical Center; Commander, Bavaria Medical Activity; Chair, Department of Surgery, William Beaumont Army Medical Center; Deputy Commander for Clinical Services, 31st Combat Support Hospital; Commander, 745th Forward Surgical Team; Chief, Thoracic Surgery, Walter Reed Army Medical Center; and Chief, Thoracic Surgery, 10th Combat Support Hospital. He also completed a 4-year term as Consultant to The Surgeon General for Thoracic Surgery.

BG Cox's deployments include multiple combat tours in support of Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom as well as an operational tour supporting Joint Task Force-Bravo, Honduras.

BG Cox's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit (two Oak Leaf Clusters), Bronze Star Medal (three Oak Leaf Clusters), Meritorious Service Medal (seven Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (one Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Achievement Medal (one Oak Leaf Cluster), Meritorious Unit Commendation (two Oak Leaf Clusters), and Army Superior Unit Award (one Oak Leaf Cluster). He has been awarded the Combat Medical Badge and is a member of the Order of Military Medical Merit (O2M3).

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**BG Frederick L. Crist**  
**Commanding General, 19<sup>th</sup> Expeditionary Sustainment**  
**Command**  
**Camp Henry, South Korea**

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BG Crist was born in Yokosuka, Japan and raised in Reading, Pennsylvania. He began his military career in 1989 as an enlisted Stinger Missile Gunner in the 28th Infantry Division, PA Army National Guard. He received his commission in 1994 as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army after graduating from the Pennsylvania State University with a Bachelor of Science in Logistics. BG Crist was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Transportation Corps with a branch detail to the Infantry.

BG Crist's first assignment was as a rifle platoon leader in C/3-504 Parachute Infantry Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade, 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division. He later served as an assistant battalion S-3 and an anti-armor platoon leader. Upon his transition to the Transportation Corps, he served as the assistant BDE S-4 and later Brigade S-4 for the 504<sup>th</sup> PIR.

Upon completion of the Captain's Career Course, BG Crist was assigned as the Maintenance and Transportation Officer in the 173rd Airborne Brigade, Vicenza, Italy. He later commanded the 66th Transportation Company, 28th Transportation Battalion in Kaiserslautern, Germany. Following company command, he served as the Operations Officer to the Commanding General, U.S. Army Europe and Seventh Army in Heidelberg, Germany.

Following completion of the CGSC and SAMS, BG Crist was assigned to the 75<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment to serve as the Regimental Support Operations Officer, with a follow-on assignment to the Army Staff in the G-3/5/7 Special Operations Division.

BG Crist then commanded the 626th Brigade Support Battalion, 3/101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Ft. Campbell, KY and Afghanistan, followed by an assignment as the Transportation Corps Chief of Proponency, Office of the Chief of Transportation. After this assignment, BG Crist participated in an Army War College Fellowship at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He then served as the G-5 of the Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command (SDDC).

BG Crist then commanded the 597<sup>th</sup> Transportation Brigade (SDDC) at Ft. Eustis, VA, with a follow-on assignment as the Chief of USTRANSCOM Commander's Action Group followed by service as the Executive Officer to the USTRANSCOM Commander.

BG Crist most recently served as the Army's 32<sup>nd</sup> Chief of Transportation at Ft. Lee, VA.

BG Crist is married to Angela Crist and they have two children, Chamberlain and Charlotte.



## BRIGADIER GENERAL LUKE C. G. CROPSY

Brig. Gen. Luke Cropsey is the Department of the Air Force Integrating Program Executive Officer for Command, Control, Communications and Battle Management, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. The DAF C3BM PEO is responsible for the execution of the Advanced Battle Management System with the authorities required to ensure integration of related programs throughout the DAF as a core contribution to the Department of Defense's broader Joint All Domain Command and Control effort.

Brig. Gen. Cropsey was commissioned through the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1995. He held key engineering, acquisition, and sustainment positions on Air Force conventional and nuclear weapon systems and National Reconnaissance Office space systems; served on the Office of the Secretary of Defense staff for systems engineering; and led at the squadron, group and wing levels as a Materiel Leader and Senior Materiel Leader. Brig. Gen. Cropsey's joint experience also includes three years at the European Command Plans and Operations Center in Stuttgart, Germany, where he served as a Space Operations Planner and Executive Officer to the Director of Operations.

Prior to assuming his current position, Brig. Gen. Cropsey was the Director of the Air Force Security Assistance and Cooperation Directorate, and Director of International Affairs, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

Brig. Gen. Cropsey is a certified Level III Engineer, Level III Program Manager, and a graduate of the Defense Systems Management College Program Manager's Course.

### EDUCATION

1995 Bachelor of Science, Engineering Mechanics, Distinguished Graduate, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

1996 Master of Science, Materials Science, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Mich.

2001 Squadron Officer School, Distinguished Graduate, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

2005 Legislative Studies Program, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

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

2006 Department of Defense Executive Leadership Development Program, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

2007 Air Force Lean Aerospace Initiative Fellow, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.

2008 Master of Science, Engineering and Management, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge

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

2014 Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy, Distinguished Graduate, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C., Antonelli Award Winner

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1995–August 1996, Student, College of Engineering, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Mich.

2. September 1996–January 1999, Weapons Effects Engineer, Munitions Directorate, Air Force Research Laboratory, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.

3. February 1999–November 2001, Chief, Structural Engineering Concepts, U.S. Air Force Force Protection Battlelab, Lackland AFB, Texas

4. December 2001–February 2004, Chief, Systems Engineering Branch, Office of Research, Undersecretary of the Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

5. March 2004–August 2005, Legislative Liaison, Advanced Systems and Technology Portfolio, National Reconnaissance Office, Washington, D.C.

6. September 2005–August 2007, Chief, Strategic Integration Branch, 303rd Aeronautical Systems Wing, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

7. September 2007–August 2008, Fellow, Air Force Lean Aerospace Initiative, Massachusetts Institute of Technology,



## EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant  
May 31, 1995

First Lieutenant  
May 31, 1997

Captain  
May 31, 1999

Major  
July 01, 2005

Lieutenant Colonel  
February 01, 2010

Colonel  
July 01, 2015

Brigadier General  
October 02, 2021





Cambridge

8. September 2008–July 2011, Information Operations and Space Planner, and Executive Officer to the Director of Operations, U.S. European Command, Patch Barracks, Stuttgart, Germany
9. August 2011–July 2013, Materiel Leader, Pacific/SE Asia/Americas Branch, Air Force Security Assistance Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
10. August 2013–June 2014, Student, Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy (formerly the Industrial College of the Armed Forces), Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
11. June 2014–July 2016, Deputy for Systems Engineering Plans and Policy to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Systems Engineering, Office of Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
12. July 2016–July 2017, Senior Materiel Leader, Direct Attack Division, Armament Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Eglin AFB, Fla.
13. July 2017–July 2018, Senior Materiel Leader, Advanced Programs Division, Armament Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Eglin AFB, Fla.
14. July 2018–May 2020, Senior Materiel Leader and Director, ICBM Directorate, Air Force Nuclear Weapons Center, Hill AFB, Utah
15. May 2020–June 2021, Senior Military Assistant, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
16. August 2021–September 2022, Director, Air Force Security Assistance and Cooperation Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, and Director of International Affairs, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
17. September 2022–present, Program Executive Officer, Command, Control, Communications, and Battle Management, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

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

1. September 2008–July 2011, Information Operations and Space Planner, and Executive Officer to the Director of Operations, U.S. European Command, Patch Barracks, Stuttgart, Germany, as a major and lieutenant colonel
2. June 2014–July 2016, Deputy for Systems Engineering Plans and Policy to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Systems Engineering, Office of Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a lieutenant colonel and colonel

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

Defense Superior Service Medal  
Air Force Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters  
Defense Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster  
AF Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Air Force Commendation Medal  
Joint Service Achievement Medal  
Air Force Achievement Medal

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

Second Lieutenant May 31, 1995  
First Lieutenant May 31, 1997  
Captain May 31, 1999  
Major July 1, 2005  
Lieutenant Colonel Feb. 1, 2010  
Colonel July 1, 2015  
Brigadier General Oct. 2, 2021

(Current as of September 2022)





### **Brigadier General Michelle K. Donahue**

BG Michelle K. Donahue assumed the position as the Deputy Director for Readiness, Strategy and Operations for the Army's Deputy Chief of Staff/G-4 on 23 June 2022. A Distinguished Military Graduate, BG Donahue received her commission in the Quartermaster Corps from Duke University in 1996. She also holds advanced degrees from Georgetown University and the National Defense University.



During more than 26 years of service, BG Donahue has been afforded many unique experiences and opportunities with the 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division (Kitzingen, Germany), the U.S. Army's Special Operations Command (Fort Bragg, North Carolina), the 593<sup>rd</sup> Sustainment Brigade (Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington), the 3d Cavalry Regiment (Fort Hood), and the 16<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade (Smith Barracks, Germany). Her assignments at the tactical level include: Supply and Services Platoon Leader, Company Executive Officer, Company Commander, Battalion and Brigade S1, Battalion S2/S3, Battalion S4, Battalion Support Operations Officer, Battalion Executive Officer, Support Squadron Commander, and Sustainment Brigade Commander.

BG Donahue's combat tours include a deployment to Jordan in 2003 as the Battalion S2/S3 with the 528<sup>th</sup> Special Operations Support Battalion (Airborne), a deployment to Iraq in 2009 as the Battalion Support Operations Officer with the 80<sup>th</sup> Ordnance Battalion (15<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade) in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, and a deployment to Afghanistan in 2014 as the Squadron Commander for the Regimental Support Squadron, 3d Cavalry Regiment in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Other significant assignments include selection as a Joint Chiefs of Staff Intern and assignment as a Deputy Legislative Assistant in the Office of the 16<sup>th</sup> Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; Strategic Planner in the Logistics Initiative Group and Chief of the Force Integration Division for the Army's Deputy Chief of Staff/G-4; Chief of the Logistics Division in the Force Development Directorate for the Army's Deputy Chief of Staff/G-8; Special Assistant to the 37<sup>th</sup> Chief of Staff of the Army and the 18<sup>th</sup> Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; and the 56<sup>th</sup> Quartermaster General and Commandant of the United States Army Quartermaster School at the Sustainment Center of Excellence (Fort Lee, Virginia).

An honor graduate of the Quartermaster Basic Course and Combined Logistics Captain's Career Course, BG Donahue is also a graduate of the Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Command and General Staff College, and the Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy. Her awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit (with two oak leaf clusters), the Bronze Star Medal (with one oak leaf cluster), the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (with four oak leaf clusters), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal (with four oak leaf clusters), the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the Master Parachutist Badge, the Pathfinder Badge, the Parachute Rigger Badge, the Combat Action Badge, the Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge and the Army Staff Badge.

BG Donahue is married to COL Patrick Donahue who is the Brigade Commander of the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. A dual military couple for more than 23 years, they have two children (Lauryn, 21, a recent Graduate of Lehigh University in Bethlehem, PA; and Ryan, 16, a junior at Jackson-Reed High School in Washington, DC).



## Rear Admiral Rick Freedman

**Director of Operations, Strategy, and Education (J-3/5/7), Defense Health Agency/  
Chief, Navy Dental Corps**



Rear Adm. Rick Freedman is a native of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He earned a Bachelor of Science at the University of Pittsburgh and a Doctorate in Medical Dentistry from the University of Pittsburgh School Of Dental Medicine. He holds a master's degree in Health Sciences from George Washington University and a Certificate in Comprehensive Dentistry from the Naval Postgraduate Dental School. He received his commission as an ensign in 1989.

Operationally, Freedman served aboard the USS INCHON (MCS 12) as Dental Department Head during the ship's final deployment and subsequent decommissioning, and served aboard the USS BOXER (LHD 4) in support of Operation Continuing Promise. Freedman also deployed as

commanding officer of the NATO Role 3 Multinational Medical Unit, Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan in support of Operation Freedom's Sentinel and Operation Resolute Support.

His executive assignments include officer in charge at Naval Branch Health Clinic Atlanta, Georgia, and officer in charge Naval Branch Health Clinic Oceana, Virginia. Freedman served as executive officer U. S. Naval Hospital Okinawa, Japan, where he oversaw the facility's historic transition to its new location aboard Camp Foster, and commanded Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, laying the foundation for its eventual re-designation as a Medical Center.

Freedman's staff assignments include director, Medical Systems Integration and Combat Survivability, N44, Officer of the Chief of Naval Operations; assistant deputy chief, Healthcare Operations, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery; Navy Medicine's project lead for transformational activities related to the implementation of the 2017 and 2019 National Defense Authorization Acts; and executive assistant to the Navy Surgeon General. Previous assignments included 2nd Dental Battalion, 2nd Force Service Support Group in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina; Recruit Training Command, Naval Dental Center Orlando, Florida; Branch Dental Clinic, Patuxent River, Maryland and Naval Branch Health Clinic Jacksonville, Florida.

Freedman is a fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives and member of the Interagency Institute for Federal Health Care Executives. He is a recognized Diplomate of the American Board of General Dentistry, and fellow of the Academy of General Dentistry. Freedman is an appointed faculty member at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, and was one of the original representatives on the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery's Oral Health Advisory Board. He also served as the director of the American Dental Association accredited Advanced Education in General Dentistry residency program in Jacksonville, Florida.

Freedman's decorations include the Legion of Merit (five awards), Meritorious Service Medal (five awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (three awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (two awards), and various service and unit awards.



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## **Brig. Gen. Antoinette Gant**

### **Commander**

### **South Pacific Division**

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Brig. Gen. Antoinette R. Gant assumed duties as the Commander and Division Engineer of South Pacific Division (SPD), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on July 9, 2021. Established in 1888 and headquartered in San Francisco, SPD is one of nine USACE regional commands. The region encompasses all or part of ten states with four operating district headquartered in Albuquerque, Los Angeles, Sacramento, and San Francisco. As the SPD Commander and Division Engineer, she is responsible for leading a workforce of more than 2500 military and civilians, overseeing hundreds of water resource development, military, and interagency design and construction projects valued at more than \$16 billion in support of our communities, our Nation, and our warfighters.

A native of Port Gibson, Mississippi, Gant graduated from Prairie View A&M University in Texas as a Distinguished Military Graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering and a commission in the Engineer Regiment. She holds a Master of Science in Engineer Management from Missouri University of Science and Technology, Rolla, Missouri, and a Master of Science in national resource strategy from the Dwight D. Eisenhower School, National Defense University, Washington, DC. She is a certified Project Management Professional.

Gant has served in a variety of command and staff positions for engineering units stateside and abroad. Prior to South Pacific Division, Gant was commander of the US. Army Corps of Engineers South Pacific Border District from July 2020 to June 2021. Gant previously served as the combined joint engineer for the Resolute Support and OFS headquarters, Kabul, Afghanistan, military assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Army-Civil Works, Washington, DC, chief of operations for the engineer directorate, US Army South, Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas, and the director for the Directorates of Public Works and Installation Support, ASG-Kuwait. She also served as the Executive Officer for Special Troops Battalion and Brigade Engineer, 4BCT, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Carson, Colorado. Other USACE assignments include Commander for both the Albuquerque and Louisville Districts. She has deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Freedom Sentinel.

A strong advocate for STEM, Gant has worked to develop partnerships with agencies and organizations to promote science, technology, engineering, and math initiatives. She has received several national and community awards, to include 2021 Black Engineer of the Year Conference Awards (BEYA) Army Stars and Stripes Award recipient, the 2020 Women of Color Career Achievement in Government Award, the YWCA Women on the Move Award, Women of Influence in Government by Albuquerque Business First, BEYA Special Recognition Award, and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., South Central Region Visionary Leader and Global Leader Awards.

Gant's military awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit (2), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal, and Meritorious Service Medal (7). She is also a recipient of the Army Staff Identification Badge, Recruiter Badge, and the Army Engineer Association Silver de Fleury Medal.

Brig. Gen. Gant is married to Leonard Gant of Kansas City, MO, who is a Middle School Math Educator. They have two children, Lauryn, 24, a third-year doctoral veterinary medicine student at Tuskegee University and Leonard II, 18 and a sophomore at Florida A&M University studying Business Administration with a concentration in Supply Chain Management.

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Rear Adm. Hines is a native of Columbus, Ohio. She received her commission through the Limited Duty Officer Program in 1996 and is a 2004 graduate of American InterContinental University with a degree in Business Management. She laterally transferred into the Information Warfare community in 2007. She received a master's degree in Information Technology Cyber Forensics from Trident University in 2009.

Her operational assignments include assistant chief of staff for U.S. 7th Fleet's Information Systems and Networks (N6) directorate aboard USS Blue Ridge (LCC 19); USS Constellation (CV 64), where she completed two deployments to the Western Pacific and the Arabian Gulf; USS Cleveland (LPD 7), where she participated in Operation

Enduring Freedom; Naval Special Warfare Group One, as the officer in charge of the Mobile Communications Team; Explosive Ordnance Group One; and Expeditionary Strike Group Three, where she supported Boxer Expeditionary Strike Group deployments to the Western Pacific.

Her ashore assignments include Program Executive Office Command, Control, Communications, Computers and Intelligence (PEO C4I) in San Diego, California; deputy executive assistant for the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Information Warfare (OPNAV N2N6) at the Pentagon, and officer community manager for the Bureau of Naval Personnel (BUPERS-3) in Millington, Tennessee .



Hines completed an individual augmentee tour in Baghdad, Iraq, from May 2006 to June 2007. While assigned to the Multi-National Forces Iraq, she led the International Zone Fiber Optic Network Program.

From January 2014 to March 2016, Hines served as the commanding officer for Naval Computer and Telecommunications Station San Diego. After this tour, she was the commanding officer of Hopper Information Services in Suitland, Maryland, followed by an assignment from April 2021 to April 2022 as the executive assistant to the Chief of Naval Operations.

Her qualifications include information warfare officer, surface warfare officer, tactical action officer, officer of the deck underway, conning alongside officer, junior officer of the deck and surface warfare information center officer.

Hines' personal awards include the Legion of Merit (three awards), Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal (five awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (four awards), and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (four awards).



# Rear Adm. Stephen “Josh” Jackson

## Deputy Director of Operations and Integration



U.S. Navy Rear Admiral Josh Jackson is the Deputy Director of the Operations and Integration Directorate (OI) for the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA). Admiral Jackson supports the OI Director in overseeing the combat support functions of the directorate to apply intelligence, operational capabilities, and data analysis in support of combatant commands to deter strategic attack, counter WMD and emerging threats, and prevail against WMD-armed adversaries in crisis and conflict. The directorate also enables DTRA in its defense agency role by leading partnerships with the interagency, FVEY allies, and other partner nations while providing security and counterintelligence services to enable and protect the DTRA mission.

Before coming to DTRA, Rear Adm. Jackson served as the Acting Director, Expeditionary Warfare Division on the Chief of Naval Operations staff (OPNAV N95). Jackson graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1993 with a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry. He holds a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College. Upon commissioning, he entered the Navy's surface warfare pipeline and served aboard USS Reuben James (FFG-57) where he deployed twice to U.S. 5th Fleet.

After selection for lateral transfer to Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) and successful completion of Basic Diving Officer and EOD training, Admiral Jackson reported to EOD Mobile Unit (EODMU) 2 in Virginia Beach and served aboard the USS John F. Kennedy (CV 67) and USS George Washington (CVN 73). Additional sea assignments include officer in charge of EODMU 5, Detachment 51, Sasebo, Japan; combat systems support officer, EOD squadron commander, deputy N3 and chief staff officer at Naval Special Warfare Development Group.

Admiral Jackson's command assignments include: EOD Mobile Unit 2, where he deployed his unit to Iraq as a battalion-equivalent Joint Task Force, leading counter-improvised explosive device operations in direct support of U.S. Division North (TF MARNE); Commander, EOD Group 2, where he manned, trained, and equipped east coast U.S. Navy EOD and mobile diving and salvage forces in support of combatant commanders worldwide; and Commander, Task Force 56, headquartered in Bahrain, where he employed navy expeditionary combat forces in support of U.S. 5th Fleet. Jackson has completed six shipboard deployments across the globe and four combat deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan.

Ashore, he served as the force EOD officer at Naval Special Warfare Command; as N5, Commander's Action Group director, Chief of Staff and Maritime Operations Center director at Navy Expeditionary Combat Command; and as the branch head for Navy Expeditionary Combat (OPNAV N957) on the Chief of Naval Operations Staff.

Rear Adm. Jackson is the recipient of various personal and campaign awards including the Bronze Star Medal (two awards) and Combat Action Ribbon. He considers the awards associated with unit performance to be most satisfying, including the Presidential Unit Citation (four awards), Joint Meritorious Unit Commendation, and Meritorious Unit Commendation.



**Brigadier General Martine S. Kidd**  
**Commander, 593rd Expeditionary Sustainment Command**

Brigadier General Kidd enlisted in the Army Reserve as a Supply Specialist in 1989. After receiving an ROTC scholarship and upon graduation from Methodist College in 1994, she was commissioned as a Quartermaster Officer.

Her first active duty assignment was to the 159th Aviation Regiment, Illesheim, Germany, where she worked as a Supply Platoon Leader and Battalion S1, including a deployment for Operation Joint Endeavor. Next, she was assigned to the 10th Mountain Division, and held several positions including Battalion S3, Company Commander, and Division Support Command S4. She then served as the Aide-de-Camp for the Commanding General of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES), also deploying in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF). In April 2007, she deployed as the Logistics Planner for the 3rd Infantry Division and Multi-National Division (Center) during the OIF "Surge" in Iraq. Afterwards, she was a Logistics Instructor at the Command and General Staff College (CGSC), and was the Executive Officer to the Deputy Commandant of the Combined Arms Center. In 2010, she deployed again as the Executive Officer to the Deputy Commanding General for Support, United States Forces-Iraq. Next, BG Kidd commanded a Strategic Support Battalion for the Defense Logistics Agency-Energy, in Houston, Texas. Later she transitioned to Fort Belvoir, Va. to work as the Executive Officer to the Commanding General of U.S. Army Cyber Command. From July 2015-July 2017, she served as the 34th Commander of the Anniston Army Depot in Anniston, Alabama. Following command, BG Kidd was assigned as the Chief of Plans, CENTCOM J4. She returned to Alabama in July of 2019, and served as the Executive Officer to the Executive Deputy to the Commanding General of the Army Materiel Command. Prior to her arrival at JBLM, BG Kidd was the Director of Sustainment and Force Management at the U.S. Army CGSC.

BG Kidd holds a Bachelor of Arts in Communications/Mass Media, a Master of Science in Logistics Management from the Florida Institute of Technology, a Master of Military Arts and Sciences in Theater Operations from the School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS), and a Master of Science in National Resource Strategy from the Dwight D. Eisenhower School at the National Defense University. BG Kidd is a Distinguished Military Graduate from Methodist College, the Distinguished Graduate from the Logistics Executive Development Course, the Distinguished Master Logistician for her CGSC class of 2006, and the Distinguished Honor Graduate from the 2015 Senior Service College class at the Eisenhower School.

Among her awards and decorations are the Defense Superior Service Medal, three Legions of Merit, two Bronze Star Medals, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, and the NATO Medal. She has been awarded the Order of Saint Martin (Bronze), and in 2020 she received the Somervell Medal of Excellence in multifunctional logistics. She is also a Distinguished Member of the Quartermaster Regiment.

Brigadier General Kidd is married to Dr. Justin Kidd, Lieutenant Colonel (Ret), who serves as an Associate Professor at the Army's Command and General Staff College. He is also a former U.S. Marine.



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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



## BRIGADIER GENERAL MICHELE L. KILGORE

Brig Gen Michele Kilgore is the Deputy Director of Operations for Headquarters United States Northern Command. The Directorate of Operations is the principal advisor to the Commander, U.S. Northern Command for all operational matters, providing strategic guidance to plan and execute U.S. Northern Command missions within the area of responsibility; land, maritime, Homeland Defense air operations, Defense Support to Civil Authorities and Theater Security Cooperation, to include the Arctic.

General Kilgore earned her commission from the United States Air Force Academy in 1992. General Kilgore earned a Master of Arts degree in National Security Studies in 2002 from California State University, San Bernardino. She served on Active Duty for 12 years before joining the New York Air National Guard in 2004. General Kilgore has deployed eight times and flown missions in support of Operations NORTHERN WATCH, SOUTHERN WATCH, IRAQI FREEDOM, ENDURING FREEDOM, FREEDOM'S SENTINEL, and DEEP FREEZE. She is a Command Pilot with more than 3,900 flying hours in the F-16C+, F-16CJ, EA-6B, MQ-9, KC-10A, C-12F/J, and L/C-130H. Prior to her current assignment, General Kilgore was assigned as the Military Deputy Director for Concepts and Strategy, Air Force Futures, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia.



### EDUCATION

1992 Bachelor of Science in Political Science, United States Air Force Academy, Colo.  
2000 Squadron Officer School, by correspondence  
2000 United States Air Force Aircraft Mishap Investigation Course, Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M.  
2002 Master of Arts in National Security Studies, California State University - San Bernardino, San Bernardino, Calif.  
2007 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence  
2014 Air War College, by correspondence  
2015 Joint Staff Training Course, Northern Command, Peterson, AFB, Colo.  
2017 Joint Task Force Commanders Course, Northern Command, Peterson, AFB, Colo.  
2017 Reserve Component National Security Course, National Defense University, Washington, D.C.  
2018 National Security Studies Management Course, Syracuse University, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse, N.Y.  
2021 Enterprise Perspective Seminar, Alan L. Freed Associates, Alexandria, Va.  
2021 Joint and Combined Warfighting School, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.  
2021 Leading Strategically, Center for Creative Leadership Campus, Colorado Springs, Colo.  
2022 General and Flag Officer Homeland Security Executive Seminar (GFOS), Harvard Kennedy School, Cambridge, Mass.  
2022 Senior Leader Orientation Course (SLOC), Joint Base Andrews, Md.



2022 Senior Executives in National and International Security (SENIS), Harvard Kennedy School, Cambridge, Mass.

2023 Artificial Intelligence for National Security Leaders, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

1. May 1992 - October 1993, Student, Undergraduate Training, 14th Flying Training Wing, Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.
2. October 1993 - June 1995, KC-10A Pilot, 709th Refueling Squadron, March AFB, Calif.
3. June 1995 - June 1996, KC-10A Pilot, Mission Controller, 6th Air Refueling Squadron, Travis AFB, Calif.
4. June 1996 - June 1997, KC-10A Aircraft Commander, Mission Controller, 6th Air Refueling Squadron, Travis AFB, Calif.
5. June 1997 - June 1998, C-12J Instructor Aircraft Commander, 55th Airlift Flight, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea
6. June 1998 - December 1999, Student, F-16 USAF Basic Operational Training Course, 308th Fighter Squadron, Luke AFB, Az.
7. December 1999 - December 2001, Chief of Safety, F-16 Pilot, 14th Fighter Squadron, Misawa AB, Japan
8. December 2001 - October 2002, Student, Category I EA-6B Transition Course, 366th Fighter Wing, Naval Air Station Whidbey Island, Wash.
9. November 2002 - October 2003, Logistics, Mobility Head, EA-6B Pilot, 366th Operations Group, NAS Whidbey Island, Wash.
10. November 2003 - October 2004, Administration Department Head, 366th Operations Group, NAS Whidbey Island, Wash.
11. November 2004 - October 2005, F-16 Fighter Pilot, Assistant Scheduler, 138th Fighter Squadron, New York Air National Guard, Hancock Field, Syracuse, N.Y.
12. November 2005 - October 2006, F-16 Pilot, Scheduler, 138th Fighter Squadron, NYANG, Hancock Field, Syracuse, N.Y.
13. November 2006 - September 2010, F-16 Fighter Pilot, 'A' Flight Commander, 138th Fighter Squadron, NYANG, Hancock Field, Syracuse, N.Y.
14. October 2010 - September 2012, MQ-9 Pilot, 138th Attack Squadron, NYANG, Hancock Field, Syracuse, N.Y.
15. October 2012 - September 2013, MQ-9 Pilot, "B" Flight Commander, 138th Attack Squadron, NYANG, Hancock Field, Syracuse, N.Y.
16. October 2013 - September 2014, MQ-9 Pilot, Deputy Chief, ANG Remotely Piloted Aircraft Operations Branch, (NGB/A3YR), Air National Guard Readiness Center, JB Andrews, Md.
17. October 2014 - May 2015, Director of Operations, MQ-9 Combat Pilot, 174th Operations Support Squadron, NYANG, Hancock Field, Syracuse, N.Y.
18. May 2015 - October 2017, Commander, 174th Operations Group, NYANG, Hancock Field, Syracuse, N.Y.
19. October 2017 - December 2020, Commander, 109th Airlift Wing, NYANG, Stratton Air National Guard Base, Scotia, N.Y.
20. December 2020 - August 2021, Deputy Chief, Homeland Division, Western Hemisphere, Directorate for Strategy, Plans, and Policy (J-5), Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
21. August 2021 - September 2022, Military Deputy Director for Concepts and Strategy, (HAF A5/7S), Air Force Futures, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
22. September 2022 - Present, Deputy Director of Operations, NC-J3D, United States Northern Command, Peterson Space Force Base, Colo.

**SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. December 2020 - August 2021, Deputy Chief, Homeland Division, Western Hemisphere, Directorate for Strategy, Plans, and Policy (J-5), Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a Colonel

**FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: more than 3,900

Aircraft flown: C-12F/J, EA-6B, F-16C+, F-16CJ, KC-10A, L/C-130H, MQ-9

**MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Legion of Merit with one oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with oak leaf cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal with five oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Navy Achievement Medal

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant May 27, 1992

First Lieutenant May 27, 1994

Captain May 27, 1996

Major Nov. 1, 2002

Lieutenant Colonel Nov. 15, 2007

Colonel March 10, 2016

Brigadier General Aug. 6, 2021

*(Current as of February 2023)*





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



## BRIGADIER GENERAL JOSEPH D. KUNKEL

Brig. Gen. Joseph D. Kunkel is the Director of Plans, Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans and Programs, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Arlington, Va. He leads a staff of military and civilians in the annual development of the Air Force's 30-Year Resource Allocation Plan. Brig. Gen. Kunkel is also responsible for the development and integration of the Air Force strategy and long range plans to ensure the Air Force builds and employs effective air, space and cyber forces to achieve national defense objectives.

Brig. Gen. Kunkel commissioned at the United States Air Force Academy in June of 1994. Following Undergraduate Pilot Training at Vance Air Force Base, Oklahoma, he was assigned to the F-15E Strike Eagle. He transitioned to the F-22 Raptor as part of Pacific Air Forces' F-22 initial cadre where he served as the Commander of the 90th Fighter Squadron. Before assuming his current position, he was the Commander, 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing, Southwest Asia. Brig. Gen. Kunkel is a command pilot with over 2,366 flying hours.



### EDUCATION

1994 Bachelor of Science, Aeronautical Engineering, United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

2002 Master of Arts, Organizational Management, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

2013 Master of Arts, Strategic Studies, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

2014 National Preparedness Leadership Initiative, Cohort XI, Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, Mass.

2019 Air Force Enterprise Leadership Seminar, Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. February 1995–February 1996, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Vance Air Force Base, Okla.
2. February 1996–December 1996, Student, F-15E Replacement Training Unit, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
3. December 1996–December 1999, Flight Lead, 494th Fighter Squadron, RAF Lakenheath, United Kingdom
4. January 2000–June 2001, Instructor Pilot, 89th Flying Training Squadron, Sheppard AFB, Texas
5. June 2001–June 2002, Student, Air Force Intern Program, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
6. June 2002–November 2004, Flight Commander, Instructor Pilot, 90th Fighter Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
7. November 2004–July 2007, Executive Officer to the Air Force A3/5, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
8. August 2007–June 2010, Director of Operations, 525th Fighter Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
9. June 2010–May 2012, Commander, 90th Fighter Squadron, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska
10. June 2012–June 2013, Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
11. July 2013–June 2015, Director of Operations, Alaskan Command, JB Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska
12. June 2015–September 2017, Vice Commander, 325th Fighter Wing, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
13. September 2017–July 2019, Commander, 366th Fighter Wing, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
14. July 2019–June 2020, Vice Director of Operations, Headquarters North American Aerospace Defense Command, Colo.

15. June 2020–August 2021, Commander, 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing, Southwest Asia

16. August 2021 – present, Director of Plans, Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans and Programs, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

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

1. July 2013–June 2015, Director of Operations, Alaskan Command, JB Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, as a colonel
2. July 2019–June 2020, Vice Director of Operations, Headquarters North American Aerospace Defense Command, Colo., as a colonel

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: more than 2,550

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38, F-15E, F-15SG, F-22A, KC-135R, HC-130J

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

Defense Superior Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster

Distinguished Flying Cross with "V" device

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Sovereignty-in-being: A Dangerous New Model for Territorial Expansion in the 21st Century, InterAgency Journal, Vol. 9, No. 2 (2018)

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

Second Lieutenant June 1, 1994

First Lieutenant June 1, 1996

Captain June 1, 1998

Major Aug. 1, 2004

Lieutenant Colonel June 1, 2008

Colonel Oct. 11, 2013

Brigadier General Aug. 6, 2020

(Current as of September 2021)



**Brigadier General Kevin J. Lambert**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division**  
**Deputy Commanding General - Maneuver**



Brigadier General (BG) Kevin J. Lambert commissioned into the Infantry through ROTC at North Georgia College in 1993. He started his career serving as a Rifle Platoon Leader and Company Executive Officer in 2nd Battalion, 87th Infantry Regiment, 10th Mountain Division, Fort Drum, NY. Prior to attending the Infantry Officer's Advanced Course, and served as a Platoon Leader and Battalion Civil Affairs Officer in 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, FBGA.

Following the Infantry Officer's Advanced Course, BG Lambert served as an assistant Brigade operations officer and Rifle Company Commander in the 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Fort Bragg, NC. After company command, BG Lambert served as an instructor and Aide-de-Camp at the United States Military Academy, West Point, NY.

Following the Command and General Staff College, BG Lambert served as the Operations Officer for 2nd Battalion, 23rd Infantry Regiment and 4th Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, WA. From 2009-2010, he served as an Observer/Coach-Trainer (OC/T) at the Joint Readiness Training Center, Fort Polk, LA.

BG Lambert commanded 2nd Battalion, 16th Infantry Regiment, Fort Riley, KS from 2010-2013. Following battalion command, he served as an operations officer and the Executive Assistant to the Director for Operations, Joint Staff.

BG Lambert commanded, 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team at Fort Wainwright, Alaska from 2016-2018. In June 2018, he became the 22nd Program Manager for the Office of the Program Manager, Saudi Arabian National Guard. In June, 2019 BG Lambert returned to Fort Riley, KS to serve as the Division Chief of Staff.

Following his role as Division Chief of Staff, BG Lambert was assigned to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division. While in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division, BG Lambert served as the Deputy Commander of Support (June 2021- June 2022). He currently serves as the Deputy Commanding General of Maneuver.

BG Lambert is a graduate of the United States Army War College. His operational deployments include Haiti, Kosovo, Iraq, and Afghanistan. BG Lambert and his wife, Shannon, have two daughters: Abigail (23) and AnnaPaige (20).



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## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### BRIGADIER GENERAL JASON E. LINDSEY

Brig. Gen. Jason E. Lindsey is Program Executive Officer for Presidential and Executive Airlift, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. He is responsible for planning and executing all life-cycle activities related to the recapitalization of Air Force One and E-4B aircraft, and sustainment of the current Air Force One, E-4B, C-12, C-32, C-37, and C-40 aircraft.

Brig. Gen. Lindsey entered the Air Force in May of 1996 after graduating from Duke University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering and Political Science. He also holds a Master of Liberal Arts in Government from Harvard University and a Master of National Security Strategy from the National War College. He has served in a variety of assignments, leading weapon system acquisition, supporting strategic intelligence operations, establishing weapon system operational requirements, and developing and executing strategies for defense congressional engagement and international military cooperation.

Prior to his current assignment, he was KC-46 System Program Manager, Mobility and Training Aircraft Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.



### EDUCATION

- 1996 Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering and Political Science, Duke University, Durham, N.C.
- 2001 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2004 Master of Liberal Arts, Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
- 2006 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2009 Air Force Legislative Fellowship, Washington, D.C.
- 2010 Certificate in Legislative Studies, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.
- 2011 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2012 Fellow, Seminar XXI, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.
- 2013 Master of Science, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 2016 Program Manager's Course, Defense Acquisition University, Fort Belvoir, Va.
- 2020 Executive Program Manager's Course, Defense Acquisition University, Fort Belvoir, Va.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1996–October 1999, Production Engineer; Chief, Air Vehicle Engineering; Executive Officer; and Radar Technology Insertion Program Chief Engineer, E-8C Joint Surveillance Target Attack Radar System Joint Program Office, Hanscom Air Force Base, Mass.
2. October 1999–November 2002, Chief, Systems Integration Section, Office of the Chief Information Officer; Chief of Military Support, Director's Action Group; Director of Communications, Office of the Director; and Liaison Officer to Joint Task Force 170, National Security Agency, Fort George G. Meade, Md.

3. November 2002–July 2006, B-2 Low Observables Engineer; Chief, B-2 Low Observables Programs; and B-2 Program Element Monitor, Headquarters Air Combat Command Directorate of Requirements, Langley AFB, Va.
4. July 2006–July 2008, Chief, Congressional Branch; and Program Element Monitor, Air & Personnel Systems Branch, Information Dominance Directorate, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
5. July 2008–January 2010, Air Force Legislative Fellow, RAND Corporation & U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C.
6. January 2010–July 2012, Defense Resource Manager, Force Structure, Resources, and Assessment Directorate; and Deputy Legislative Assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, The Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
7. July 2012–June 2013, Student, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
8. June 2013–June 2015, Country Director for Russia & Mongolia; and Chief, Northeast Asia Policy Division, Directorate of Strategic Planning & Policy, U.S. Pacific Command, Camp H. M. Smith, Hawaii
9. June 2015–June 2016, Deputy Chief, Strategic Warning and Surveillance Systems Division, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Hanscom AFB, Mass.
10. June 2016–May 2018, Senior Materiel Leader, F-35 International Programs, F-35 Lightning II Joint Program Office, Arlington, Va.
11. May 2018–May 2019, Director of Staff, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
12. June 2019–May 2021, Senior Materiel Leader, KC-46 System Program Manager, Mobility and Training Aircraft Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
13. May 2021–present, Program Executive Officer, Presidential and Executive Airlift Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

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

1. October 1999–November 2002, Chief, Systems Integration Section, Office of the Chief Information Officer; Chief of Military Support, Director's Action Group; Director of Communications, Office of the Director; and Liaison Officer to Joint Task Force 170, National Security Agency, Fort George G. Meade, Md., as a first lieutenant and captain
2. January 2010–July 2012, Defense Resource Manager, Force Structure, Resources, and Assessment Directorate; and Deputy Legislative Assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, The Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a major and lieutenant colonel
3. June 2013–June 2015, Country Director for Russia and Mongolia; and Chief, Northeast Asia Policy Division, Directorate of Strategic Planning & Policy, U.S. Pacific Command, Camp H. M. Smith, Hawaii, as a lieutenant colonel

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

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters  
 Defense Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
 Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
 Joint Service Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster  
 Joint Service Achievement Medal  
 Air Force Achievement Medal  
 Joint Meritorious Unit Award with two oak leaf clusters  
 Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with valor device and oak leaf cluster  
 Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with oak leaf cluster

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

Second Lieutenant May 6, 1996  
 First Lieutenant July 6, 1998  
 Captain July 6, 2000  
 Major July 1, 2006  
 Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2010  
 Colonel August 1, 2015  
 Brigadier General April 2, 2022

(Current as of February 2023)





## Rear Admiral (Select) Bob Little

### U.S. Coast Guard



Rear Admiral (Select) Little is the Executive Assistant to the Commandant of the Coast Guard. In this capacity, he is a principal advisor on policy, strategy, and resource initiatives across all operations and mission support activities. He provides decision support, advice, and recommendations to shape strategic direction, policy, and enterprise communications to advance Service objectives.

Rear Admiral (Select) Little has served aboard six Coast Guard Cutters, accumulating over 13 years of sea time conducting defense operations, combating criminal networks, securing maritime borders, and safeguarding global commerce. He most recently served afloat as Commanding Officer of Coast Guard Cutter STRATTON, among the most capable and technologically advanced ships in the Coast Guard's surface fleet. STRATTON

was Rear Admiral (Select) Little's third afloat command, following the cutters DEPENDABLE and KUKUI. Combined with tours aboard Cutters ELM, NANTUCKET, and THETIS, he has worked in both the Atlantic and Pacific areas to conduct the full range of Coast Guard missions. He has led numerous combined military and law enforcement operations afloat to strengthen relationships with allies and partners around the globe.

Rear Admiral (Select) Little has also served in several shore-based staff tours including Chief of Maritime Forces for the Coast Guard's Pacific Area. In this role, he was responsible for providing mission ready cutters and aircraft to Coast Guard and Combatant Commanders in support of national strategic priorities. He also served on the Commandant's Staff as the Special Assistant to the 28<sup>th</sup> Vice Commandant of the Coast Guard, as an Appropriations Manager in the Office of Resource Management, and as Deputy Comptroller at the Coast Guard's Training Center in Yorktown, Virginia.

Rear Admiral (Select) Little is a 1995 graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Management. He has been awarded a Master of Business Administration by both the College of William and Mary and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). He is a 2012 graduate of the Air Command and Staff College and in 2015 completed the Sloan Fellows Program in Innovation and Global Leadership at the MIT Sloan School of Management.

Rear Admiral (Select) Little is married to the former Kerry Anne Sullivan of Boston, MA. They are the proud parents of daughters Christina, Julia, and Katie.



# Rear Admiral (Select) Bob Little

## U.S. Coast Guard

### Assignment History

Jun 22 – Apr 23	Executive Assistant to the Commandant, CAPT
Jun 21 – Jun 22	Executive Assistant to the Vice Commandant, CAPT
May 19 – Jun 21	USCGC STRATTON, Commanding Officer, CAPT
Jun 17 – May 19	Coast Guard Pacific Area, Chief, Maritime Forces Branch, CAPT
Jun 15 – Jun 17	USCGC DEPENDABLE, Commanding Officer, CDR
May 14 – Jun 15	Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Sloan Fellow, CDR
May 12 – May 14	Special Assistant to the Vice Commandant, CDR
Mar 09 – May 12	USCGC KUKUI, Commanding Officer, LCDR
Nov 08 – Mar 09	O&S Appropriation Manager, Budget Execution Division, LCDR
Apr 06 – Nov 08	PC&I & Other Appropriations Manager, Budget Execution Division, LCDR
Jul 04 – Apr 06	USCGC ELM, Executive Officer, LT
Jan 01 – Jul 04	Coast Guard Training Center Yorktown, Deputy Comptroller, LT
Jul 99 – Jan 01	College of William and Mary, Financial Management, LTjg
May 97 – Jul 99	USCGC NANTUCKET, Executive Officer, LTjg
Jun 95 – May 97	USCGC THETIS, First Lieutenant, Deck Watch Officer, ENS

### Educational Summary

2015	MIT, Sloan Fellows' Program in Innovation and Global Leadership
2015	MIT, Sloan School of Management, MBA, Certificate in Sustainability
2012	Air University, Air Command and Staff College
1999	College of William and Mary, MBA
1995	United States Coast Guard Academy, Bachelor of Science in Management

### Decorations

Meritorious Service Medal (Silver Star in lieu of 6<sup>th</sup> Award)  
Coast Guard Commendation Medal (Gold Star in lieu of 3<sup>rd</sup> Award)  
Coast Guard Achievement Medal  
Permanent Cutterman Insignia  
Commandant Staff Badge  
Command Afloat Insignia



## **Brigadier General Michael E. McWilliams**

**Commanding General, 2d Marine Logistics Group**

Brigadier General McWilliams was born and raised in Downingtown, PA. He graduated from West Virginia University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Political Science and was commissioned in 1994 and assigned as an infantry officer. In 1997, he transitioned military occupational specialties and assigned as a logistics officer.

His operational assignments include: rifle platoon commander, weapons platoon commander, and company executive officer, 1stBn, 5th Marines; company commander and battalion operations officer, 2d Landing Support Battalion; II MEF G-4 assistant strategic mobility officer and aide-de-camp for Commanding General, II Marine Expeditionary Force; S-4 Officer, 22d Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable); G-3 Future Operations/Plans Officer and Deputy G-3, 2d Marine Logistics Group; Commanding Officer, Combat Logistics Battalion 8; Assistant Chief of Staff G-3/5, Marine Corps Logistics Command; Commanding Officer, Combat Logistics Regiment 2, 2d Marine Logistics Group; and Deputy Commander, Marine Forces Reserve and Marine Forces South.



His supporting establishment assignments include: Congressional Fellow, serving as a legislative assistant to Representative Norman Sisisky (4th District of Virginia); Interagency Coordinator/Planner and Deputy Division Chief, Chairman's Exercise Program, The Joint Staff J-7; and Executive Assistant for Deputy Commandant Installations and Logistics, Headquarters Marine Corps.

His military education includes: Infantry Officer Course; Logistics Officers Course; U.S. Army Combined Logistics Officer Advanced Course (Commandants List/CASCOM Award); USMC Command and Staff College (Distinguished Graduate); USMC School of Advanced Warfighting; and The Eisenhower School (formerly ICAF).

Brigadier General McWilliams holds a Master of Business Administration from Boston University; a Master of Military Studies and Master of Operational Studies from Marine Corps University; and a Master of Science in National Resource Strategy from National Defense University.



# United States Navy Biography

## **Rear Admiral Tom Moninger, USN Director, Plans, Policy & Integration (OPNAV N5)**

Rear Adm. Tom Moninger is from Williamsburg, Virginia and graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1994. A nuclear-trained Surface Warfare Officer, he served tours in USS Mitscher (DDG 57), USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69), USS Thorn (DD 988), USS George Washington (CVN 73), and USS Princeton (CG 59). He commanded the destroyers USS Arleigh Burke (DDG 51) and USS Mahan (DDG 72), served as Reactor Officer in USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71), and commanded Destroyer Squadron Twenty Two.



Ashore, he worked in staff assignments at Naval Air Forces Atlantic, the J5/Iraq Division of the Joint Staff, Naval Surface Forces Atlantic, US Fleet Forces Command, and US Southern Command. He earned advanced degrees in National Security Studies from the University of Maryland and the Naval War College.

Rear Adm. Moninger's personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), the Navy Commendation (five awards), and the Navy Achievement Medal (two awards) in addition to various unit citations and campaign awards.

Rear Admiral Moninger began serving as Director, Plans, Policy & Integration (OPNAV N5), in June 2022.



**Brigadier General Matthew T. Mowery, USMC**  
**Assistant Deputy Commandant for Aviation**  
**Headquarters Marine Corps, Department of Aviation**

Brigadier General Mowery was commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps in 1993. After graduating with honors from The Basic School, he completed Naval Flight Training and was designated an AH-1W Super Cobra pilot in 1996.

Prior to his current assignment with HQMC Dept. of Aviation, BGen Mowery commanded Marine Aircraft Group (MAG)-39 from May 2017 to May 2019. As the commander of the Marine Corps' largest MAG (over 150 assigned aircraft), he had the dual responsibilities of leading the MAG's 3,500 Marines and Sailors, while also acting as the lead-officer for the Marine Corps' total inventory of 290 AH-1Z, AH-1W, and UH-1Y aircraft. He previously commanded Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron (HMLA)-267 from Nov 2010 to Jun 2012, where he led his squadron through a successful 7-month combat deployment to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and executed a full squadron conversion to the new UH-1Y and AH-1Z helicopters. Under his leadership, HMLA-267 was recognized as the "Marine Corps Light Attack Squadron of the Year" for 2011. BGen Mowery's other assignments in the operating forces include: a tour with HMLA-367 (1997-2001), where he completed a deployment to Okinawa, Japan as part of the Unit Deployment Program; a tour with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron-262 (REIN) / 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) (July-Dec 2000); and another tour with HMLA-367 (2006-2009) where he completed two (7-month) combat deployments to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.



BGen Mowery's additional assignments include: a tour with Marine Helicopter Squadron-One (the home of "Marine-One": the helicopter of the President of the United States), where he served as a White House Command Pilot in the VH-3, VH-60, and CH-46 helicopters (2001-2006); an assignment as an Aviation Plans, Programs and Budgetary Matters Branch Action Officer with Headquarters Marine Corps-Pentagon, Department of Aviation (2009-2010) and as the Branch Head (2019-2021); a Joint assignment as both an Assistant Director of Policy within the Office of the Secretary of Defense (Officer and Enlisted Personnel Management) and as the Military Assistant to the Undersecretary of Defense, Personnel and Readiness (2013-2015); assignment as the Executive Officer of The Basic School (2015-2016); and assignment with the Navy as the Deputy Commander of the Naval Safety Center (2016-2017).

BGen Mowery is native of Troup, Texas. He is a graduate of The Basic School, Amphibious Warfare School, Marine Corps Command & Staff College, and the National War College. He holds a BS in Civil Engineering from Texas A&M University (where he was a member of the Corps of Cadets) and a MS in National Security Strategy from the National War College. Over his 29-year career in the Marine Corps, BGen Mowery has accumulated more than 4,200 flight hours (over 1,000 of which were flown in combat) in over 14 different types of naval aircraft and has held almost every attack helicopter aviation qualification and designation available. He is married to the former Vicki Zografos of Houston, Texas and they have two daughters: Eleni and Lauren.





**Brigadier General Clinton K. Murray, MD, MACP, FIDSA**  
Commanding General, Medical Readiness Command, Europe  
Command Surgeon, United States Army Europe-Africa  
Director, Defense Health Agency Region-Europe

Brigadier General Murray grew up in Lubbock, TX. He received his BS degree in Biochemistry from Texas Tech University (1991), MD degree from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USU) (1996), and Master of Strategic Study degree from the Army War College (2015). He completed a residency in Internal Medicine at Walter Reed Army Medical Center (1999) and a fellowship in Infectious Disease (ID) at Brooke Army Medical Center (BAMC)/San Antonio Uniformed Services Health Education Consortium (2002).

He is the Commanding General, Medical Readiness Command, Europe; Command Surgeon, US Army Europe-Africa; and Director, Defense Health Agency Region-Europe. He was the Commander, BAMC and Deputy Market Manager of the San Antonio Market, DHA (2021-22); Commander, Walter Reed Army Institute of Research (2020-21); Command Surgeon, United States Forces Korea (2019-20); Commander, 1<sup>st</sup> Area Medical Laboratory (2017-19); Deputy Chief and Corps Specific Branch Proponency Officer, US Army Medical Corps (2015-17); ID Consultant to the US Army Surgeon General (2016-2020); Chief, ID Service, BAMC (2011-15); and Program Director, Army/Air Force ID Fellowship, San Antonio, TX (2005-11). He is a Professor of Medicine at USU, Fellow of the ID Society of America (FIDSA), and Master of the American College of Physicians (MACP).

He deployed as the senior medical officer of a medical company, 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade Combat Team, 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division to Ramadi, Iraq in 2003-04 under the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division for 6 months and 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Expeditionary Force for the 2<sup>nd</sup> 6 months. His deployments to Afghanistan included a review of infection control procedures of US, coalition and Afghan medical treatment facilities in 2012, assessment of the NATO Training Mission-Afghanistan supporting the Afghan National Army ID/Preventive Medicine residency program in 2013, and review of remote expeditionary surgical teams supporting special operations in 2015. He also performed research and taught in Africa, Asia, Europe, and South/Central America.

He has published over 360 peer-reviewed manuscripts, guidelines, reviews and book chapters. His research areas include global health security, leptospirosis, multidrug-resistant bacteria, and combat-related injury infections especially in burns and extremities.

His military awards include the 'A' Proficiency Designator in ID, Order of Military Medical Merit, Combat Action Badge, Parachute Badge, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, and Meritorious Service Medal. He received over 45 research, mentoring, and teaching awards.

He is the proud father of 2 daughters, Callie and Sidney, and married for over 31 years to LeeAnn, his high school sweetheart.



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## UNITED STATES SOUTHERN COMMAND

### **Brigadier General Julie L. Nethercot**

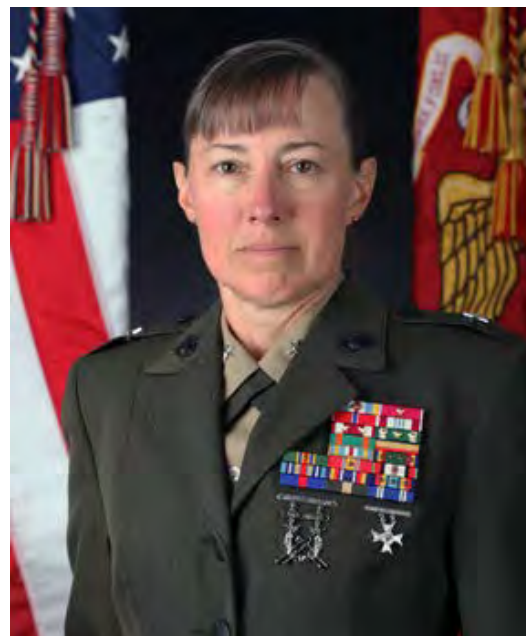
Director

J5 Strategy, Policy, and Plans Directorate

United States Southern Command

Brigadier General Nethercot joined SOUTHCOM as the J-5 after serving as the Commanding General for Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island and the Eastern Recruiting Region from June of 2020-June of 2022.

She was commissioned in May of 1993 following her graduation from Midland University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biology and Natural Science. Her first tour was with Marine Wing Communications Squadron-28, Cherry Point, North Carolina as a Platoon Commander, Operations Officer and Bravo Company Commander.



-From 1997-2000, she served at The Basic School, Quantico, Virginia where she was a Staff Platoon Commander and Company Commander.

-Returning to the Fleet Marine Force in August of 2001, she became the Company Commander for Alpha Company, 8th Communication Battalion. She then became the Battalion Operations Officer and deployed for Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) I. Following OIF 1, she deployed to Djibouti Africa in support of Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF).

-From June 2004-June 2007, she served as the Commanding Officer of Recruiting Station Frederick, Maryland.

-From August 2008- May 2009, she served as the Regional Plans Officer for Navy Central Command (Bahrain) and went onto become the Chief of Plans, G-5 for I Marine Expeditionary Force at Camp Pendleton, California.

-From May 2009-June 2011, she served as Commanding Officer for 9th Communication Battalion in Camp Pendleton, California. The battalion deployed to Helmand Province, Afghanistan from January 2010 through February 2011 in support of OEF.

-From June of 2012-June 2014, she served as the Current Operations Chief, and then the Cyberspace Division Chief for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, J-6. Following her JCS assignment, she served as the Executive Officer for the Ground Combat Element Integrated Task Force, 2d Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

-She served as the Commanding Officer of Officer Candidates School from July 2015 to June 2017, then she went onto serve as the Military Assistant to the 34th and 35th Assistant Commandants of the Marine Corps from 2017-2019.

-She then did a follow-on assignment as the Director of the Commander's Action Group for NORAD and USNORTHCOM before her selection to the General Officer ranks in May of 2020.

Brigadier General Nethercot is a graduate of the Weapons and Tactics Instructor Course, the Maritime Advanced Warfighting School, Command and Control Systems School, the Navy Command and Staff College and the National War College. She holds a Master of Science degree in National Security Strategy and a Master of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies.

Her personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal (Second award), the Bronze Star, the Legion of Merit (Second award), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (Third award), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (Fourth award) and the Navy Achievement Medal. She was the 2010 recipient of the Major Meghan McClung award for Visionary Leadership for her performance as a Battalion Commander in Helmand Province.







# The United States Army Security Assistance Command

## The Army's Face to the World



### **BRIGADIER GENERAL JASON BRAD NICHOLSON**

#### **Commanding General**

#### **United States Army Security Assistance Command**

Brigadier General Jason B. Nicholson is the Commanding General of the U.S. Army Security Assistance Command and leads the Army Materiel Command Security Assistance Enterprise. The command executes foreign military sales with more than 140 countries and a total value exceeding \$215 billion in support of combatant commands and theater armies to strengthen the United States' global partnerships and alliances.

Brigadier General Nicholson has served in a wide variety of tactical, operational, and strategic assignments in the United States, Europe, Asia, and Africa. These include embassy postings to Nigeria, Uganda, and Tanzania.



He was commissioned into the Field Artillery in 1998 through the Reserve Officers Training Corps at North Carolina State University, where he studied history and English. Brigadier General Nicholson holds a Master of Policy Management from Georgetown University and is currently a Doctoral Candidate (ABD) in Political Science at the University of Utah. Brigadier General Nicholson is a foreign area officer for Sub-Saharan Africa and speaks both French and German.

His military education includes a Senior Service College Fellowship through the Advanced Strategic Planning and Policy Program at the School of Advanced Military Studies, the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and the Joint and Combined Warfighting School.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Defense Superior Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Global War on Terror Expeditionary Medal, the Army Staff and Joint Staff Identification Badges, and the Master Parachutist Badge.



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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### BRIGADIER GENERAL RANDY P. OAKLAND

Brig. Gen. Randy P. Oakland is the Director of Operations and Communications, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph, Texas. He is responsible for the world's largest training organization, providing initial skills, undergraduate flying, post-graduate combat crew and supplemental training for more than 300,000 Air Force, joint and international personnel at 65 Air Force and Department of Defense locations. Brig. Gen. Oakland provides strategic vision, policy, guidance, and advocacy to build, operate, secure, defend and extend the Air Force portion of the Department of Defense global network. Additionally, he executes force development policy to ensure the training, education and experiences of Total Force Airmen achieve desired competencies to meet U.S. Air Force needs, providing the right Airman in the right place at the right time.

Brig. Gen. Oakland was commissioned as a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy and earned his Doctor of Philosophy in Military Strategy from Air University. He has served in numerous positions at the squadron, wing, air operations center, Numbered Air Force, and sub-unified command levels. Brig. Gen. Oakland is a Command Pilot with more than 2,600 hours in the F-15C/D, T-37, and T-38. His operational experiences include operations Northern Watch, Iraqi Freedom, and New Dawn. Prior to his current position, the general was the Director of Operations for 19th Air Force at JBSA-Randolph, Texas.

#### EDUCATION

1996 Bachelor of Science, Behavioral Science, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.  
2002 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.  
2004 Master of Business Administration, Trident University International, Calif.  
2006 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence  
2009 U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.  
2010 Master of Airpower Arts and Science, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2012 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence  
2015 Joint and Combined Warfighting School, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.  
2016 Lorenz Fellowship, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2017 Doctor of Philosophy, Military Strategy, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2019 Leading Strategically, Center for Creative Leadership, Colorado Springs, Colo.  
2019 Enterprise Perspective Seminar, Alan L. Freed Associates, Washington, D.C.  
2022 Combined Force Air Component Commander Course, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

#### ASSIGNMENTS

1. October 1996–December 1997, Student, Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training, Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas
2. May 1998–October 1998, Student, F-15C Fighter Training Unit, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
3. November 1998–January 2002, Electronic Combat Officer, 71st Fighter Squadron, Langley AFB, Va.
4. February 2002–November 2003, Graduate Student, Flight Commander, 80th Operations Support Squadron, Sheppard AFB, Texas
5. November 2003–May 2005, Flight Commander, 88th Flying Training Squadron, Sheppard AFB, Texas
6. August 2005–May 2007, Squadron Executive Officer, Flight Commander, and Assistant Director of Operations, 12th Fighter Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
7. May 2007–June 2008, Wing Executive Officer, 3rd Wing, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska
8. June 2008–June 2009, Student, Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
9. June 2009–June 2010, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
10. July 2010–July 2011, Deputy Division Chief, J5 Strategy, Headquarters U.S. Forces-Iraq
11. September 2011–November 2011, Student, T-38C Pilot Instructor Training, 560th FTS, Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph, Texas
12. March 2012–May 2013, Director of Operations, 87th FTS, Laughlin AFB, Texas



### EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant  
May 29, 1996

First Lieutenant  
May 29, 1998

Captain  
May 29, 2000

Major  
April 01, 2006

Lieutenant Colonel  
December 01, 2010

Colonel  
March 01, 2017

Brigadier General  
August 05, 2022



13. May 2013–April 2015, Commander, 87th Flying Training Squadron, Laughlin AFB, Texas
14. July 2015–July 2016, Student, Lorenz Fellow, Washington, D.C.
15. August 2016–June 2017, Strategy Division Chief, 603rd Air Operations Center, Ramstein Air Base, Germany
16. June 2017–June 2018, Vice Commander, 12th Flying Training Wing, JBSA-Randolph, Texas
17. July 2019–July 2020, Commander, 39th Air Base Wing, Incirlik Air Base, Turkey
18. August 2020–May 2022, Director of Operations, 19th Air Force, JBSA-Randolph, Texas
19. May 2022–present, Director of Operations and Communications, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, JBSA-Randolph, Texas

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

1. July 2010–July 2011, Deputy Division Chief, J5 Strategy, Headquarters U.S. Forces-Iraq, as a lieutenant colonel

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: more than 2,600

Aircraft flown: F-15C/D, T-37 and T-38

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

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air Medal

Air and Space Commendation Medal

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Air and Space Achievement Medal

Combat Readiness Medal with two oak leaf clusters

(Current as of August 2022)





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## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### BRIGADIER GENERAL JOSHUA M. OLSON

Brig. Gen. Joshua M. Olson is the Director, Global Reach Programs, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Arlington, Virginia. As the capability director, he is responsible to the Air Force Acquisition Executive for the \$8 billion airlift, air refueling, training and special operations program portfolio, which includes the KC-46, Presidential Airlift Replacement, Combat Rescue Helicopter, T-7, C-5, C-17, KC-10, KC-135, C-130, CV-22, HH-60, LAIRCM, CNS/ATM, OSA/VIPSAM, T-1, T-38 and T-6.

Brig. Gen. Olson entered the Air Force through the ROTC program as an honors graduate from Michigan Technological University. The general has commanded at every level. His first command was as the Commander of the 37th Airlift Squadron at Ramstein Air Base Germany. He later served in Southwest Asia as the Vice Commander of the 386th Air Expeditionary Wing then the Commander of the 22nd Air Refueling Wing, McConnell AFB, Kansas. Prior to assuming his current position, the general was the Commander of the 86th Airlift Wing and European Command's Task Force Commander for Operation Allies Refuge, Ramstein Air Base, Germany.



#### EDUCATION

1997 Bachelor of Science, Chemical Engineering, Michigan Technological University, Houghton, Mich.  
2001 Undergraduate Pilot Training, Laughlin AFB, Texas  
2003 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2005 Master of Arts, Education and Administration, Chapman University, Fairfield, Calif.  
2006 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence  
2010 Air Force Fellow, Strategic Policy Intern, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.  
2010 Air War College, by correspondence  
2013 Executive Business Training, Darden Graduate School of Business, University of Virginia  
2013 Secretary of Defense Corporate Fellowship, 3M Company, St. Paul, Minn.  
2014 Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.  
2018 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina, Raleigh, North Carolina  
2019 Leadership Decision Making, Harvard University, Boston, Mass.  
2021 NATO General Officer Flag Officer Ambassador Course, NATO Defense College, Rome, Italy

#### ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1997 - September 2000, Acquisition Manager, MC-130H Combat Talon II, Wright- Patterson AFB, Ohio
2. September 2000 - September 2001, Student/Class Leader, Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training, Laughlin AFB, Texas
3. September 2001 - September 2005, Wing Executive Officer, KC-10 Instructor Pilot, Flight Commander, Training Officer, 60th Air Mobility Wing and 6th Air Refueling Squadron, Travis AFB, Calif.
4. September 2005 - April 2006, Student, C-130 Formal Training Unit, Little Rock AFB, Ark.
5. April 2006 - April 2008, Assistant Operations Officer and C-130E/H Evaluator Pilot, 41st and 2nd Airlift Squadrons, Pope AFB, N.C.
6. April 2008 - July 2009, Aide-de-Camp to the Commander, Eighteenth Air Force, Scott AFB, Ill.
7. July 2009 - July 2010, Strategic Policy Intern, Air Force Fellows Program, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
8. July 2010 - August 2011, Chief, Strategic Airlift Requirements, Office of Air Force Reserve, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

9. September 2011 - June 2013, Commander, 37th Airlift Squadron, Ramstein AB, Germany
10. June 2013 - August 2014, Secretary of Defense Corporate Fellow, 3M Company, St. Paul, Minn.
11. August 2014 - June 2016, Deputy Director, Program Management Activities, J7 Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
12. June 2016 - July 2017, Vice Commander, 386th Air Expeditionary Wing, Southwest Asia
13. July 2017 - July 2019, Commander, 22nd Air Refueling Wing, McConnell AFB, Kan.
14. July 2019 – August 2020, Executive Officer to the Commander, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott AFB, Ill.
15. August 2020 – July 2022, Commander, 86th Airlift Wing, Ramstein AB, Germany
16. July 2022 – present, Director Global Reach Programs, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

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

1. August 2014 – June 2016, Deputy Director, Program Management Activities, J7 Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel
2. July 2019 – August 2020, Executive Officer to the Commander, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott AFB, Ill., as a colonel

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command pilot

Flight hours: over 3,000

Aircraft Flown: KC-46A, KC-135, C-130J, KC-10A, C-130E/H, T-1A, and T-37B

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

Defense Superior Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with five oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal

#### **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

2019 General Mark A. Welsh III One Air Force award, Air Mobility Command

2022 Commander in Chief's Installation Excellence award

2022 USAF Jerome F. O'Malley award (wing commander and spouse)

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

Second Lieutenant	June 13, 1997
First Lieutenant	June 13, 1999
Captain	June 13, 2001
Major	Feb. 1, 2007
Lieutenant Colonel	Dec. 1, 2010
Colonel	Aug. 1, 2015
Brigadier General	July 6, 2021

(Current as of Aug 22)





# Rear Admiral Chase D. Patrick

## Director of Maritime Headquarters, U.S. Naval Forces Europe/Africa/SIXTH Fleet



Rear Adm. Chase D. Patrick is a native of Woodbridge, Virginia, and he is a 1994 graduate of the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Virginia, where he earned his commission through the Naval ROTC program. He was awarded a Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Affairs.

Patrick's series of operational assignments started in USS Lake Erie (CG 70) in May 1995 as electrical officer, and in July 1997 he reported to his second sea tour as Auxiliaries Officer in USS Crommelin (FFG 37). After completion of Department Head School at Surface Warfare Officers School in Newport, Rhode Island, he reported in September 2001 to USS Paul Hamilton (DDG 60) as the engineer officer. In April 2003, he reported to USS Port Royal (CG 73) for his second Engineer Officer tour.

Patrick was later assigned as executive officer in USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) from October 2007 to October 2009, and in April 2010 assumed command of USS Chafee (DDG 90) for the next 18 months. In June 2016, Patrick reported for duties as deputy commander in Destroyer Squadron 50 and Task Force 55 in U. S. Naval Central Command in Manama, Bahrain, and in April 2017 he fleeted up to assume command of both.

On shore, Patrick earned a Master of Science in Operations Research from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California in September 2001. In September 2004, he reported to the Bureau of Naval Personnel (BUPERS) in Millington, Tennessee, where he managed assignment functions as Sea



Coordinator for the Surface Warfare Junior Officer Assignments branch of PERS-41. In June 2007, he earned a Master of Military Studies from Marine Corps University's Command and Staff College, in Quantico, Virginia. Following his command tour in USS Chafee, Patrick served as Surface Warfare Officer Community manager in BUPERS-3, located in Millington, Tennessee, and in July 2014 he reported to the Office of the Secretary of Defense where he developed studies and cost estimate analyses concerning overseas joint forces and bases while assigned as an operations research analyst in the Office of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation (CAPE). In June 2018, Patrick assumed duties as deputy director in OPNAV N13, Military Personnel Plans and Policy, in Arlington, Virginia. In January 2020, he reported to Director, Navy Senate Liaison Office, located in the Russell Senate Office Building on Capitol Hill.

He is currently assigned to Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Europe/Africa and U.S. 6th Fleet, located in Naples, Italy and has assumed duties as director, Maritime Headquarters.

Patrick's personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (two awards), Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (five awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (three awards), and various campaign and unit awards. In 2012, he was awarded the Vice Admiral Stockdale Award for inspirational leadership in recognition of his performance in USS Chafee (DDG 90). He considers those awards earned throughout his career associated with unit performance to be most satisfying and representative of naval service.



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## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### BRIGADIER GENERAL MAX E. PEARSON

Brig. Gen. Max E. Pearson is the Director of Operations and Military Deputy, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA), Springfield, Virginia. As the Director of Operations, Gen. Pearson oversees the daily execution of NGA's mission to deliver timely, relevant, and actionable geospatial intelligence to combatant commands, policymakers, intelligence professionals, and first responders. He is responsible for leading over 7,500 government, military, and contract employees spanning over 100 worldwide locations.

Brig. Gen. Pearson is a native of northern Minnesota and a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy. He has served in various leadership positions stateside and overseas in analysis and ISR operations. He deployed as an ISR Planner in the Air Operations Center during the opening months of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, as a collection manager supporting operations in both Iraq and Afghanistan, and as the Senior Distributed Ground Station Liaison Officer. Prior to his current position, the general was the Director of Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance operations, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Surveillance, Reconnaissance and Cyber Effects Operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia.



#### EDUCATION

- 1998 Bachelor of Science, History, US Air Force Academy, Colo.
- 1999 Diplôme, Institut d'Études Politiques, Paris, France
- 2000 Masters of Arts, Foreign Area Studies, Middlebury College, Vt.
- 2001 Intelligence Applications Officer and Fundamentals of Intelligence Course, Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas
- 2003 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2005 Intelligence Sensor Weapons Instructor Course, US Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
- 2011 Masters of Military Science, Marine Corps University, Quantico, Va.
- 2016 Masters of Science, National Security Strategy, National War College, Washington D.C.

#### ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1998 - June 2000, Gerhart Fellow, Université La Sorbonne and l'Institut d'Études Politiques, Paris, France
2. July 2000 - March 2001, Student, Intelligence Officer School, 315th Training Squadron, Goodfellow AFB, Texas
3. April 2001 - April 2002, Flight Commander, 303rd Intelligence Squadron, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea
4. May 2002 - December 2004, Collection Manager, Command Intelligence Briefer, Chief of ISR Plans, 32nd Air Intelligence Squadron, Ramstein AB, Germany
5. January 2005 - June 2005, Student, Intelligence Sensor Weapons Instructor Course, USAF Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
6. July 2005 - July 2008, Chief of Academics and Assistant Director of Operations, 19th Weapons Squadron, USAF Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
7. July 2008 - July 2010, Director of Operations, 6th Intelligence Squadron (Distributed Ground System-3), Osan AB, Republic of Korea
8. July 2010 - June 2011, Student, Marine Command and Staff College, Marine Corps Base, Quantico, Va.

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9. June 2011 - July 2013, Special Assistant to the CJCS, Joint Staff, Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
10. July 2013 - June 2015, Commander, 316th Training Squadron, Goodfellow AFB, Texas
11. July 2015 - June 2016, Student, National War College, Washington D.C.
12. July 2016 - July 2017, Chief of Staff of the Air Force Fellow, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Washington D.C.
13. July 2017 - June 2018, Chief of Staff of the Air Force Fellow, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Office of Net Assessment, Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
14. June 2018 - June 2020, Commander, 480th Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Wing, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.
15. June 2020 - September 2021, Military Assistant, Office of the Undersecretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security, Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
16. September 2021 - June 2022, Director, ISR Operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
17. June 2022 – July 2022, Director of Operations and Military Deputy, National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, Springfield, Va.

**SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. June 2011 - July 2013, Special Assistant to the CJCS, Joint Staff, Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a lieutenant colonel
2. June 2020 - September 2021, Military Assistant, Office of the Undersecretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security, Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel
3. June 2022 - present, Director of Operations and Military Deputy, National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, as a brigadier general

**MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

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

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant	May 27, 1998
First Lieutenant	May 27, 2000
Captain	May 27, 2002
Major	Sept. 01, 2007
Lieutenant Colonel	Dec. 01, 2011
Colonel	June 01, 2016
Brigadier General	July 3, 2022

(Current as of July 2022)

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# MAJOR GENERAL DUKE A. PIRAK

Maj. Gen. Duke A. Pirak serves as the Deputy Director, Air National Guard, the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. In this capacity, he assists the Director in formulating, developing, and coordinating all policies, plans and programs affecting 108,400 Air National Guard Airmen and civilians across 90 wings and 180 installations in 159 communities throughout the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands.

A graduate of the University of Washington, Maj. Gen. Pirak was commissioned at the Academy of Military Science in 1996. He has served in multiple worldwide combat and contingency deployments as an F-15C Mission Commander, Instructor Pilot, and Weapons Officer. Prior to his current position, he was Deputy Director, Politico-Military Affairs (Africa), Strategy, Plans, and Policy Directorate (J5), on the Joint Staff.

Maj. Gen. Pirak is a Top Academic Graduate of the U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Distinguished Graduate of the National War College, and a joint qualified officer. He has commanded at the squadron, group, and wing level in both the Pacific Air Forces and Air Combat Command. Maj. Gen. Pirak has also led a variety of headquarters staff positions, including as the Deputy Director for Strategy, Plans, and Policy at U.S. Central Command, Senior Military Adviser in the Office of the Secretary of Defense for Policy, Director of Operations for the Combined Joint Operations Center and Army Forces in Jordan, and Director, Chief of the National Guard Bureau Action Group. He is a command pilot with more than 2,700 flying hours.

## EDUCATION









- 1994 Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration, University of Washington, Seattle
- 2002 U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.
- 2004 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2009 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2011 Aircraft Maintenance and Munitions Officer Course, Sheppard AFB, Texas
- 2012 Master of Science, National Security Strategy, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 2017 U.S. Air Force Safety and Accident Investigation Board President Course, Joint Base Andrews, Md.
- 2019 Defense Institute of Security Cooperation Executive Course, Arlington, Va.
- 2020 National Security Management Course, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University, N.Y.
- 2020 Regional Seminar-Transnational Issues, Alan L. Freed Associates, Washington, D.C.
- 2021 National and International Security Leadership Seminar, Alan L. Freed Associates, Washington, D.C.
- 2021 Regional Seminar-Middle East/Southwest Asia, Alan L. Freed Associates, Washington, D.C.
- 2021 Senior Executives in National and International Security Course, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
- 2021 U.S. Air Force Senior Leader Orientation Course, Arlington, Va.
- 2021 U.S. Air Force Advanced Senior Leader Development Seminar, Arlie Center, Warrenton, Va.
- 2021 Regional Seminar-Africa, Alan L. Freed Associates, Washington, D.C.
- 2022 Combined Forces Air Component Commander (CFACC) Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2022 General and Flag Officer Homeland Security Executive Seminar, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

## ASSIGNMENTS

1. November 1996–December 1997, Student, Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training, 80th Flying Training Wing, Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas
2. January 1998–March 1998, Student, Introduction to Fighter Fundamentals, 49th Flying Training Wing, Columbus AFB, Miss.
3. April 1998–November 1998, Student, F-15 Training, 1st Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.
4. December 1998–December 2001, F-15 Flight Lead, Mission Commander, Instructor Pilot, 123rd Fighter Squadron, Oregon Air National Guard, Portland, Ore.
5. January 2002–June 2002, Student, U.S. Air Force Weapons Instructor Course, 433rd Weapons Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
6. July 2002–February 2005, Weapons Officer, 123rd Fighter Squadron, Oregon ANG, Portland, Ore.
7. March 2005–April 2007, Squadron and Wing Training Officer, 123rd Fighter Squadron, Oregon ANG, Portland, Ore.
8. May 2007–December 2007, Wing Project Officer, 142nd Fighter Wing, Oregon ANG, Portland, Ore.
9. January 2008–November 2008, Branch Chief, Combat Forces and Strategic Planning, National Guard Bureau, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
10. December 2008–September 2009, Chief, Air National Guard Strategic Studies Group, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.



## EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant September 19, 1996	
First Lieutenant September 19, 1998	
Captain September 28, 2000	
Major October 25, 2004	
Lieutenant Colonel January 29, 2009	
Colonel January 01, 2013	
Brigadier General May 15, 2019	
Major General February 01, 2022	

11. October 2009–March 2011, Commander, 142nd Maintenance Squadron, Oregon ANG, Portland, Ore.
12. April 2011–July 2011, Director of Strategic Plans and Programs (A8), Oregon ANG, Salem, Ore.
13. August 2011–June 2012, Student, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
14. July 2012–June 2013, Senior Military Adviser to Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Development, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
15. July 2013–December 2014, Commander, 154th Operations Group, Hawaii ANG, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii
16. January 2015–May 2015, Vice Commander, 154th Wing, Hawaii ANG, JB Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii
17. June 2015–January 2016, Director of Logistics (A4), Air National Guard Readiness Center, JB Andrews, Md.
18. February 2016–July 2016, Director of Operations (J3), Combined Joint Operations Center, King Abdullah II Special Operations Training Center, Amman, Jordan
19. August 2016–October 2016, Special Assistant to the Commander, Air National Guard Readiness Center, JB Andrews, Md.
20. November 2016–August 2018, Commander, 142nd Fighter Wing, Oregon ANG, Portland, Ore.
21. September 2018–May 2019, Director, Chief of the National Guard Bureau Action Group, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
22. May 2019–June 2019, Special Assistant to the Chief, National Guard Bureau, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
23. July 2019–June 2021, Deputy Director, Strategy, Plans, and Policy Directorate (J5), U.S. Central Command, MacDill AFB, Fla.
24. July 2021–February 2022, Deputy Director, Politico-Military Affairs (Africa), Strategy, Plans, and Policy Directorate (J5), the Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
25. February 2022–present, Deputy Director, Air National Guard, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

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

1. July 2012–June 2013, Senior Military Adviser to Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Development, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel
2. February 2016–July 2016, Director of Operations (J3), Combined Joint Operations Center, King Abdullah II Special Operations Training Center, Amman, Jordan, as a colonel
3. September 2018–May 2019, Director, Chief of the National Guard Bureau Action Group, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel
4. July 2019–June 2021, Deputy Director, Strategy, Plans, and Policy Directorate (J5), U.S. Central Command, MacDill AFB, Fla., as a brigadier general
5. July 2021–February 2022, Deputy Director, Politico-Military Affairs (Africa), Strategy, Plans, and Policy Directorate (J5), the Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a brigadier general

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: more than 2,700

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38, AT-38B, F-15 A/B/C/D, KC-135R and F-22A

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

Defense Superior Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
 Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster  
 Defense Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster  
 Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
 Joint Commendation Medal  
 Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster  
 Joint Meritorious Unit Award  
 Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with valor and three oak leaf clusters  
 Combat Readiness Medal with five oak leaf clusters  
 National Defense Service Medal with bronze service star  
 Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal  
 Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal  
 Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

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

Second Lieutenant Sept. 19, 1996  
 First Lieutenant Sept. 19, 1998  
 Captain Sept. 28, 2000  
 Major Oct. 25, 2004  
 Lieutenant Colonel Jan. 29, 2009  
 Colonel Jan. 1, 2013  
 Brigadier General May 15, 2019  
 Major General Feb. 1, 2022

(Current as of January 2023)







# United States Army

## Brigadier General John T. Reim

Joint Program Executive Officer Armaments & Ammunition  
Commanding General, Picatinny Arsenal, New Jersey



Brigadier General John T. Reim is the Joint Program Executive Officer Armaments & Ammunition and the Commanding General, Picatinny Arsenal. Prior to this assignment, BG Reim served as Director, Defense Security Cooperation Management Office – Afghanistan (DSCMO-A) where he was charged with providing security force assistance in Afghanistan and later, execution of responsible closeout activities.



BG Reim is a native of Franklinville, NJ, and graduated from the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, NY in 1990 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering Management. He held a variety of operational leadership and staff positions within the 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division, Germany and XVIII Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg, NC before entering the Acquisition Corps. BG Reim's acquisition assignments include: Weapon Systems Acquisition Manager, U.S. Army Special Operations Command (USASOC); Deputy TRADOC System Manager for Battle Command, U.S. Army Combined Arms Center (USACAC); Field Office Chief and Assistant Program Manager and later Product Director for Lethality, Survivability, and Mobility Systems, USASOC Ground Applications Program Office (GAPO); Requirements and Programs Division Chief, later J8 Director and later Executive Officer, Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC); Program Manager Special Programs, USASOC GAPO; J8 Director, JSOC; Program Executive Officer (PEO) SOF Warrior, U.S. Special Operations Command (USSOCOM); Chief of Staff and later Deputy for Acquisition and Systems Management, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics. Prior to assuming the duty as Director, DSCMO-A, he served as the DCG, Combined Security Transition Command - Afghanistan and later Deputy Director DSCMO-A.

BG Reim's professional education includes the Quartermaster Officer Basic Course, the Combined Logistics Officer Advanced Course, the Command and General Staff Officer Course, the U.S. Army War College's National Security Fellowship at UNC-Chapel Hill, the Defense Acquisition University Executive Program Manager's Course, and the Senior Acquisition Leader Development Program. He is a Level III certified acquisition professional in the Program Management career field and holds a Master of Arts degree in Procurement and Acquisitions Management from Webster University.

BG Reim's military awards include: the Defense Superior Service Medal (2 OLC), the Legion of Merit (1 OLC), the Defense Meritorious Service Medal (1 OLC), the Meritorious Service Medal (3 OLC), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal (1 OLC), Joint Service Achievement Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal (1 OLC). His decorations include: the Parachutist Badge, the Parachute Rigger Badge, Brazilian & Australian Parachutist Badges, the Army Staff Identification Badge, and the Order of Saint Martin. BG Reim and his wife Patty are the proud parents of four children, who form the core of "Team Reim!"





# United States Army

Brigadier General MONTE L. RONE

**Deputy Chief of Staff Operations  
Multinational Corps Northeast  
North Atlantic Treaty Organization**

**HQ MNC-NE Baltic Barracks ul. Lukasinskiego 33 71-215 Szczecin, Poland  
APO AE 09722  
Since: June 2022**



## SOURCE OF COMMISSIONED SERVICE ROTC

### EDUCATIONAL DEGREES

Eastern Michigan University – BBA – Accounting and Auditing  
Georgetown University – MS – Public Policy Administration  
United States Army War College – MA – Strategic Studies

### MILITARY SCHOOLS ATTENDED

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

### FOREIGN LANGUAGE(S) None recorded

### PROMOTIONS                      DATE OF APPOINTMENT

2LT	23 Jun 95
1LT	3 Jun 97
CPT	1 Jul 99
MAJ	2 Mar 05
LTC	1 Jul 11
COL	1 Sep 16
BG	2 Oct 21

### FROM    TO    ASSIGNMENT

Jun 22	Present	Deputy Chief of Staff Operations, Multinational Corps Northeast, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Poland
Jul 21	May 22	Deputy Commanding General (Maneuver), 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas
Dec 20	Jul 21	Deputy Commanding General (Support), 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas and Operation ATLANTIC RESOLVE, Poland
Jul 20	Dec 20	Deputy Commanding Officer (Support), 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas
Jul 19	Jul 20	Director, Chief of Staff, Army Planning Group, Office of the Chief of Staff, Army, Washington DC
Jun 17	Jun 19	Commander, 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Carson, Colorado and Operation FREEDOM'S SENTINEL, Afghanistan
Jun 16	Jun 17	Director of Operations, Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa, Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-HORN OF AFRICA, Djibouti
Jul 15	Jun 16	Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, 1st Armored Division, Fort Bliss, Texas
Aug 14	Jun 15	Student, United States Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania
Dec 11	Jul 14	Commander, 2nd Battalion, 12th Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas and Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan
Sep 10	Dec 11	Executive Officer, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Operation NEW DAWN, Iraq
Feb 09	Jun 10	Operations Officer, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas
Feb 08	Feb 09	Operations Officer, 2nd Battalion, 12th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas and Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq
Jul 07	Feb 08	Plans Officer, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Hood, Texas
Aug 06	Jun 07	Student, United States Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas
Jun 05	May 06	Student, Georgetown University, Washington DC
Jul 03	Jun 05	Infantry Captains Assignment Officer, United States Army Human Resources Command, Alexandria,

Virginia

Jan 01	Jul 03	Commander, Bravo Company, and later Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 8th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, Fort Carson, Colorado and Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq
May 99	Jan 00	Operations Officer, later Logistics Officer, 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 8th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, Fort Carson, Colorado
Jan 99	May 99	Student, Infantry Officer Advanced Course, United States Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia
Oct 97	Dec 98	Executive Officer, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, later Assistant Operations Officer (S-3 Air), 3rd Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Fort Bragg, North Carolina
Oct 95	Aug 97	Platoon Leader, D Company, later C Company, 3rd Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Fort Bragg, North Carolina

#### SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Deputy Chief of Staff Operations, Multinational Corps Northeast, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Poland	Jun 22 - Present	Brigadier General
Director of Operations, Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa, Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-HORN OF AFRICA, Djibouti	Jun 16 - Jun 17	Lieutenant Colonel/Colonel
Commander, 2nd Battalion, 12th Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan	Nov 12 - Jul 13	Lieutenant Colonel

#### SUMMARY OF OPERATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Deputy Commander (Support), 1st Cavalry Division, Operation ATLANTIC RESOLVE, Poland	Dec 20 - Jul 21	Colonel/ Brigadier General
Commander, 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, OPERATION FREEDOM'S SENTINEL, Afghanistan	May 18 - Jan 19	Colonel
Director of Operations, Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa, Operation ENDURING FREEDOM-HORN OF AFRICA, Djibouti	Jun 16 - Jun 17	Lieutenant Colonel/Colonel
Commander, 2nd Battalion, 12th Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan	Nov 12 - Jul 13	Lieutenant Colonel
Executive Officer, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Operation NEW DAWN, Iraq	Sep 10 - Jun 11	Major
Operations Officer, 2nd Battalion, 12th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq	Jun 08 - Feb 09	Major
Commander, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 8th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq	Apr 03 - Jul 03	Captain

#### US DECORATIONS AND BADGES

Defense Superior Service Medal  
 Legion of Merit (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
 Bronze Star Medal (with 4 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
 Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
 Army Commendation Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)  
 Army Achievement Medal  
 Combat Infantryman Badge  
 Expert Infantryman Badge  
 Senior Parachutist Badge  
 Basic Aviation Badge  
 Ranger Tab  
 Army Staff Identification Badge



# BIOGRAPHY



**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**

## BRIGADIER GENERAL JASON M. RUESCHHOFF

Brigadier General Jason M. Rueschhoff 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 26 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 million acres of Sonoran desert.

General Rueschhoff earned his commission and Bachelor of Science degree from the United States Air Force Academy in 1997. He holds three Masters Degrees; one in Military Operational Art and Science, one in Airpower Art and Science, and one in Strategic Studies. General Rueschhoff has commanded at the squadron, group and wing level.

General Rueschhoff is a graduate of the School of Advanced Air and Space Studies and of the United States Air Force Weapons School. He is a command pilot with over 2,900 hours in the F-35A and A-10A/C, including 267 combat hours. He has flown in Operations SOUTHERN WATCH, ENDURING FREEDOM, and IRAQI FREEDOM and conducted contingency planning in Operations TOMODACHI, FREEDOM's SENTINEL, and INHERENT RESOLVE.



### EDUCATION

1997 Bachelor of Science, Business Administration/Management, US Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.  
2004 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.  
2009 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2009 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2010 School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2010 Master of Airpower Art and Science, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.  
2011 Air War College, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence  
2015 Master of Strategic Studies, US Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.  
2022 Senior Leader Orientation Course

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 1997 - July 1998, Student, Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training, 25th Flying Trng Squadron, Vance AFB, Okla.
2. September 1998 - November 1998, Student, Intro to Fighter Fundamentals, 435th Fighter Trng Sq, Randolph AFB, Texas
3. January 1999 - June 1999, Student, A-10 Formal Training Unit, 357th Flying Training Unit, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
4. June 1999 - December 2001, A-10 Multi-Ship Flight Lead/Chief of Plans, 354th Fighter Sq, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.

5. December 2001 - December 2003, A-10 Instructor Pilot/Flight Commander, 75th Fighter Sq, Pope AFB, N.C.
6. January 2004 - June 2004, Student, USAF Weapons School, A-10 Division, 66th Weapons Sq, Nellis AFB, Nev.
7. September 2004 - October 2005, Chief, Sq/Wing Weapons/Instructor Pilot, 51st Fighter Wg, Osan Air Base, South Korea
8. November 2005 - June 2006, Flight Commander/ADO, 358th Fighter Sq, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
9. June 2006 - July 2008, Initial Cadre A-10C CTU/A-10C Chief Weapons/Tactics, 355th Trng Sq, Davis Monthan AFB, Ariz.
10. July 2008 - July 2009, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
11. July 2009 - June 2010, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
12. June 2010 - May 2012, Air & Space Planner, Branch Chief Adaptive Plans, US Pacific Command, Camp Smith, Hawaii
13. July 2012 - June 2014, Commander, 355th Operations Support Sq, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
14. July 2014 - June 2015, Student, US Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.
15. June 2015 - August 2016, Chief, Combat Plans Division, 609th Air Operations Center, Al Udeid AB, Qatar
16. August 2016 - July 2018, Commander, 388th Operations Group, Hill AFB, Utah
17. August 2018 – June 2020, Commander, 613th Air Operations Center, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii
18. July 2020 – May 2021, Executive Assistant to Commander, Pacific Air Forces, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii
19. June 2021 – May 2022, Deputy Commander, 7<sup>th</sup> Air Force, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea
20. July 2022 – Present, Commander, 56th Fighter Wing, Luke AFB, Ariz.

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

1. June 2010 - May 2012, Air & Space Planner, Branch Chief Adaptive Plans, US Pacific Command, Camp Smith, Hawaii
2. June 2015 - August 2016, Chief, Combat Plans Division, 609th Air Operations Center, Al Udeid AB, Qatar

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: Over 2,900

Aircraft Flown: F-35A, A-10C, A-10A, AH 64-E, T-38, and T-37

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

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Defense Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Medal with eight oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Army Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Combat Action Medal

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with "V" device and one oak leaf cluster

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

Second Lieutenant May 28, 1997

First Lieutenant May 28, 1999

Captain May 28, 2001

Major November 1, 2006

Lieutenant Colonel December 1, 2010

Colonel May 1, 2016

Brigadier General July 3, 2022

(Current as of Feb 2023)



## U.S. ARMY SPECIAL OPERATIONS AVIATION COMMAND BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

### **BRIGADIER GENERAL PHILIP J. RYAN**

Commanding General

Assumed Command Friday, 26 June 2020



Brigadier General Phil Ryan is a 1992 graduate of the United States Military Academy. He holds Master's degrees in Management from Webster University and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College. BG Ryan served in the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) at Fort Campbell, Kentucky and with the Second Infantry Division, Camp Page and Camp Red Cloud, Republic of Korea prior to joining the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne) in 1999.

As a Night Stalker, he served as a Task Force S1, AH-6 Attack Platoon Leader, Operations Officer, Company Commander, and Battalion XO in TF 1-160. From June 2010 to June 2012 he commanded 2nd Battalion, 160th SOAR, from July 2013 to June 2015 he commanded Task Force 1-160, and from July 2016 to July 2018 he commanded the 160th SOAR, all at Fort Campbell.

Brigadier General Ryan also served at the Army Human Resources Command in Alexandria, Virginia as the Chief of the Special Management Division and as the Executive Officer to the Commanding General, United States Army Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In 2018, he was assigned to the Pentagon as the Deputy Director for Army Aviation in the Headquarters, Department of the Army G-3/5/7. In 2019, he was selected to be the Executive Officer for the Secretary of the Army.

Since January 2023, BG Ryan also holds the position of Deputy Commanding General-Futures, U.S. Army Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In this capacity, he is USASOC's general officer representative for integrating enterprise-wide ground and air capability development and force modernization with the Army and U.S. Special Operations Command.

Brigadier General Ryan's permanent awards and decorations include: the Legion of Merit (2 OLC), the Distinguished Flying Cross (2 OLC), the Bronze Star Medal (3 OLC), the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Medal with V device, the Presidential Unit Citation (3 OLC) and the Valorous Unit Award, among others.

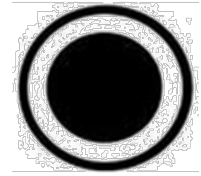
Brigadier General Ryan and his wife have three children.





## Brigadier General William A. Ryan III

### Deputy Commanding General I Corps



Brigadier General Bill Ryan was commissioned as an Aviation Officer in 1994 following graduation from the United States Military Academy and currently serves as the Deputy Commanding General of I Corps at Joint Base Lewis McChord.

BG Ryan initially served in the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) as an Attack Platoon Leader and other positions in 2-101 Aviation Regiment. He then served as the Aide-de-Camp to the Commanding General, United States Army Aviation Center of Excellence before returning to Fort Campbell and commanding Alpha Company, 3-101 Aviation Regiment.



BG Ryan's following assignments include serving as the Brigade Plans Officer for the 101st Combat Aviation Brigade, an aviation assignment officer at the United States Army Human Resources Command, and as the Battalion S3 and XO for 3-101 Aviation Regiment. He subsequently served as the Aide-de-Camp to the 20th Secretary of the Army, Chief of G3 Aviation at the 101st Airborne Division, and as Deputy Brigade Commander for the 101st Combat Aviation Brigade.

BG Ryan commanded 1st Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment "Expect No Mercy" from 2011-2013, then served for 12 months as the Senior Aviation Trainer on the Eagle Team at the National Training Center. He subsequently commanded the 16th Combat Aviation Brigade "Born in Battle" at JBLM from 2015-2018 followed by service as the Deputy Commander, US Army Aviation Center of Excellence (USAACE), from 2018-2019.

BG Ryan returned to JBLM in 2019 to serve as the Deputy Commander for Support in the 7th Infantry Division and I Corps Chief of Staff. Most recently, Ryan served as the Senior Advisor to the Afghan Ministry of Defense in support of Operation Resolute Support from 2020-2021. BG Ryan's deployment history includes Operation Enduring Freedom I (2002), X (2010-2011), XII-XIII (2012-2013), Operation Iraqi Freedom I (2003) and V-VII (2005-2006), and Operation Resolute Support and Freedom Sentinel in 2017 and 2020-2021.

BG Ryan's military education includes the Aviation Officer Basic Course, Armor Officer Advanced Course, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Joint Advanced Warfighting School, and service as an Army War College Fellow at Stanford University. He holds Master's Degrees from the National Defense University in Campaign Planning and National Security Strategy and another in Policy Management from Georgetown University.

BG Ryan is married to Lorry Ryan and they have a Son Liam and Daughter Campbell.





# Rear Admiral Stuart C. Satterwhite

## Commander, MyNavy Career Center



Rear Adm. Satterwhite is a native of Sterling, Virginia. He began his naval career in August 1986 in Atlanta Georgia with a Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps scholarship at Georgia Tech, where he earned a Bachelor's of Electrical Engineering. He was commissioned as an Ensign in March 1991 and attended Basic Surface Warfare Officer School in Newport.

Satterwhite's first assignment was onboard USS Milwaukee (AOR 2) as navigator. Upon the Milwaukee's decommissioning, he returned to Newport and attended Damage Control Assistant and Gas Turbine Engineer School graduating as a distinguished graduate. Satterwhite reported to USS Robert G. Bradley (FFG 49) as the damage control assistant. He served onboard Robert G. Bradley

from May 1994 to May 1995.

Satterwhite transferred to Monterey, California to attend the Naval Postgraduate School. In March 1997, he received a Master of Science in Management. Upon graduation from the Naval Postgraduate School, he transferred to Navy Recruiting District, Michigan. He served as the enlisted programs officer from May 1997 to October 2001. Satterwhite transferred to the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island where he earned a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies in November 2002. He then attended the Joint Forces Staff College in Norfolk, Virginia. Satterwhite reported to USS George Washington (CVN 73) as the training officer. He served onboard USS George Washington from May 2003 to July 2005.

Satterwhite reported to the Chief of Naval Personnel in July 2005, where he served as deputy, Total Force Assessments Branch (N126). In August 2006, he reported to the DCS STRATEFF, Office of National

Reconciliation in Iraq where he served as operations officer developing a disarmament, demobilization, and reintegration strategy for the Government of Iraq as an individual augmentee. He returned from Iraq in August 2007 and transferred to the Current Manpower Allocations Branch as head of Manpower Analysis and Accounting Section (N122E). In May 2008, he was assigned as the deputy for Enlisted Plans and Policy (N132B) in OPNAV N13. In September 2010, he was assigned as head of Strength, Planning and Analysis Section (N100P) and became head, Strategic Resourcing Branch (N100) in August 2011. From August 2013 to August 2015, he served as director, Total Force Manpower Division at Naval Education and Training Command. In October 2015, he assumed command as Western Sector commander, U.S. Military Entrance Processing Command (USMEPCOM). From November 2015 through April 2016 he also served as commander, USMEPCOM. From August 2017 to March 2021, he served as director, Business Operations in the N1 Office of Transformation, deputy director, Enterprise Support, and director of Transformation. From March 2021 to July 2021, he served as chief of naval personnel, Chief Commander's Action Group.

Satterwhite's awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (three awards), Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal, the Joint Meritorious Unit Commendation, and the Meritorious Unit Commendation and various other unit awards.

## BRIGADIER GENERAL THOMAS P. SHERMAN

Brig. Gen. Thomas P. Sherman is the Director of Security Forces, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Arlington, Virginia. He is the focal point for ensuring Air Base Defense, the physical security of Air Force nuclear assets and planning, and programming for more than 43,000 active-duty and Reserve component security forces at locations worldwide. He provides policy and oversight for protecting Air Force resources from terrorism, criminal acts, sabotage and acts of war and ensures security forces are trained, equipped and ready to support contingency and exercise plans.

Brig. Gen. Sherman entered the Air Force in 1995 after graduating from the United States Air Force Academy with military distinction. He is a career security forces officer and seven-time commander who has also held a variety of leadership, staff, and command positions with assignments at the squadron, group, wing, center and joint levels: most notably, the 88th Air Base Wing and Installation Commander at Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio and the Principal Military Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of Defense. Furthermore, Brig. Gen. Sherman possesses a unique experience in deployed combat, contingency response, and humanitarian environments around the globe. Additionally, he is a qualified jumpmaster and senior parachutist and earned the Republic of Germany Silver, Belgian Military, Belgian Katanga, and Bulgarian Parachutist badges. Finally, he possesses a secondary qualification as an Air Force Political-Military Affairs Strategist.

Prior to assuming his current position, Brig. Gen. Sherman was Deputy Director, Capability Development, Air Force Futures, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia.

### EDUCATION

1995 Bachelor of Science, Political Science, United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.  
 2001 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.  
 2002 Secretary of the Air Force Language and Area Studies Immersion Course, Florence, Italy  
 2004 Master of Arts, Criminal Justice, California State University San Bernardino (AFIT), Calif.  
 2007 United States Army Jumpmaster School  
 2009 Master of Arts, National Security Affairs, Naval Post Graduate School (IDE), Calif.  
 2014 Distinguished Graduate, Master of Science, National Security Strategy, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.  
 2015 National and International Security Leadership Seminar, Capitol Hill Workshop, Washington, D.C.

### ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1995–July 1997, Assistant Operations Officer, Air Base Defense Flight Commander, 62nd Security Police Squadron, McChord Air Force Base, Wash.
2. July 1997–January 1998, Operations Officer, 62nd Security Forces Squadron, McChord AFB, Wash.
3. January 1998–January 1999, Flight Leader, Mobile Reserve Commander, 8th Security Forces Squadron, Kunsan Air Base, South Korea (January–April 1998, Chief of Security Forces, 3rd Air Expeditionary Group, Kwang Ju AB, South Korea)
4. January 1999–June 2001, Flight Commander, GSU Liaison Officer, 31st SFS, Aviano AB, Italy
5. July 2001–October 2001, Chief of Security Forces, Flight Commander, 763rd Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron, Al Dhafra AB, United Arab Emirates
6. October 2001–August 2002: Commander, 380th Expeditionary SFS, Al Dhafra AB, United Arab Emirates
7. September 2002–April 2004, AFIT Student, California State University at San Bernardino, Calif.
8. April 2004–May 2006: Deputy Chief, Requirements Branch, Headquarters Air Force Security Forces Center, Lackland AFB, Texas (March–September 2005, Commander, 447th Expeditionary SFS, Sather AB, Baghdad International Airport, Baghdad, Iraq)
9. May 2006–July 2008, Commander, 786th Security Forces Squadron, Sembach Annex, Germany
10. September 2008–December 2009, IDE Student, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.
11. January 2010–May 2012, Chief, National Military Command Center Systems Operations Branch (J-39) and Chief, NMCC Security and Configuration Branch (J-36), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
12. May 2012–May 2013, Commander, 455th Expeditionary SFS, Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan
13. July 2013–July 2014, SDE Student, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
14. July 2014–July 2016, Commander, 37th Training Group, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas
15. July 2016–July 2017, Chief, Protection Services Division, Air Force Installation Mission Support Center, JBSA-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas
16. August 2017–June 2018, Commander, Detachment 1, Air Force Installation and Mission Support Center, Peterson AFB, Colo.
17. June 2018–June 2020, Commander, 88th Air Base Wing, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio



Second Lieutenant  
May 31, 1995

First Lieutenant  
May 31, 1997

Captain  
May 31, 1999

Major  
August 01, 2005

Lieutenant Colonel  
March 01, 2009

Colonel  
October 01, 2014

Brigadier General  
August 20, 2021



18. June 2020–May 2022, Principal Military Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
19. May 2022–January 2023, Deputy Director, Capability Development, Air Force Futures, Headquarters Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
20. January 2023–present, Director of Security Forces, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Engineering, and Force Protection, Headquarters Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

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

1. January 2010–May 2012, Chief, National Military Command Center Systems Operations Branch (J-39) and Chief, NMCC Security and Configuration Branch (J-36), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a lieutenant colonel
2. June 2020–May 2022, Principal Military Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel

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

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

#### **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

2007 Air Force Outstanding Small Security Forces (Squadron Commander)  
2007, 2008 USAFE Outstanding Small Security Forces Squadron (Squadron Commander)  
2007, 2008 USAFE Outstanding Intelligence Flight (Squadron Commander)  
2012 AFCENT Outstanding Large Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron (Squadron Commander)  
2019 AFMC Gen. and Mrs. Jerome F. O'Malley Award

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

Second Lieutenant May 31, 1995  
First Lieutenant May 31, 1997  
Captain May 31, 1999  
Major Aug. 1, 2005  
Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2009  
Colonel October 1, 2014  
Brigadier General Aug. 20, 2021

(Current as of January 2023)





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### BRIGADIER GENERAL STEPHEN P. SNELSON

Brig. Gen. Stephen P. Snelson serves as the Deputy Director of Operations, U.S. Central Command. In his current role, he is responsible for developing contingency plans and assisting the Director of Operations and the Commander with overseeing joint operations across a 21-Nation area of responsibility including the Middle East, Central and South Asia, and the strategic waterways that surround them.

Brig. Gen. Snelson commissioned in 1997 as a Distinguished Graduate of the Reserve Officer Training Corps program at Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York. He commanded at multiple echelons including the 305th Operations Support Squadron, was the Vice Commander, 62nd Airlift Wing at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, commanded the 6th Air Refueling Wing at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida and commanded the 89th Airlift Wing at JB Andrews, Maryland, where he was responsible for worldwide special air missions providing airlift for the President, Vice President, cabinet members, combatant commanders and other senior military and elected leaders. He has flown operational missions worldwide including combat missions in support of operations Allied Force, Southern Watch, Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom and New Dawn.

Prior to his current assignment, Brig. Gen. Snelson served as the Director, U.S. Central Command Deployment and Distribution Operations Center and Deputy Director, USCENTCOM Logistics and Engineering Directorate. There, he was responsible to synchronize transportation, distribution and sustainment across the 21 countries of the USCENTCOM area of responsibility, linking the strategic deployment and distribution processes to operational and tactical functions in support of the warfighter.

#### EDUCATION

1997 Bachelor of Science, Aerospace Engineering, Syracuse University, Syracuse, N.Y.  
 2003 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.  
 2008 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence  
 2009 Master of Aeronautical Science, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University  
 2009 Intermediate Service School, CSAF POLAD Fellowship, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.  
 2010 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence  
 2014 Masters of Strategic Science, Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.  
 2018 Air Force Leadership Development Program, Center for Creative Leadership, Colorado Springs, Colo.  
 2020 Air Force Enterprise Leadership Seminar, Kenan-Flagler School of Business, Chapel Hill, N.C.

#### ASSIGNMENTS

1. October 1997–October 1998, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas
2. October 1998–February 2002, C-17 Instructor Pilot, 15th Airlift Squadron, Charleston AFB, S.C.
3. February 2002–January 2005, Evaluator Pilot, Flight Commander, Chief of Special Operations, Special Operations Planner, 16th Airlift Squadron, Charleston AFB, S.C.
4. January 2005–November 2005, Operations Planner, C-17 Program Integration Office, Hickam AFB, Hawaii
5. November 2005–July 2006, Evaluator Pilot, Chief of Standardization and Evaluation, 535th Airlift Squadron, Hickam AFB, Hawaii
6. July 2006–July 2007, Action Officer, COMPACAF Action Group, Hickam AFB, Hawaii
7. July 2007–May 2008, Aide-de-Camp, COMPACAF, Hickam AFB, Hawaii
8. May 2008–May 2009, Foreign Policy Fellow, Office of the Political Advisor to the CSAF, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
9. May 2009–June 2011, Political-Military Planner, Strategic Plans and Policy, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
10. June 2011–June 2013, Commander, 305th Operations Support Squadron, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J.
11. June 2013–June 2014, Student, Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.
12. June 2014–July 2016, Executive Officer to the Commander, Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, Ill.
13. July 2016–June 2018, Vice Commander, 62nd Airlift Wing, JB Lewis-McChord, Wash.



#### EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant  
June 12, 1997

First Lieutenant  
June 12, 1999

Captain  
June 12, 2001

Major  
April 01, 2007

Lieutenant Colonel  
December 01, 2010

Colonel  
May 01, 2016

Brigadier General  
July 19, 2021





14. June 2018–May 2020, Commander, 6th Air Refueling Wing (formerly 6th Air Mobility Wing), MacDill AFB, Fla.
15. June 2020–May 2021, Commander, 89th Airlift Wing, JB Andrews, Md.
16. July 2021–April 2022, Director, U.S. Central Command Deployment and Distribution Operations Center, Southwest Asia
17. April 2022–present, Deputy Director of Operations, U.S. Central Command, MacDill AFB, Fla.

**SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. May 2009–June 2011, Political-Military Planner, Strategic Plans and Policy, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a lieutenant colonel
2. July 2021–April 2022, Director, U.S. Central Command Deployment and Distribution Operations Center, Northeast Africa, across the Middle East, to Central and South Asia, as a brigadier general
3. April 2022– present, Deputy Director of Operations, U.S. Central Command, MacDill AFB, Fla. as a brigadier general

**FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: more than 3,300

Aircraft flown: C-17, KC-135, C-32, KC-10, T-1 and T-37

**MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Legion of Merit

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal

Air Medal

Aerial Achievement Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal

Army Commendation Medal

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Defense Superior Service Medal

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant June 12, 1997

First Lieutenant June 12, 1999

Captain June 12, 2001

Major April 1, 2007

Lieutenant Colonel Dec. 1, 2010

Colonel May 1, 2016

Brigadier General July 19, 2021

(Current as of September 2022)







# Rear Admiral Darryl Walker

## Deputy Director, Operations, J3, U.S. Cyber Command



Rear Adm. Darryl “D-Day” Walker enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1985, as an Air Traffic Controller. He is a graduate of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Professional Aeronautics. He received his commission in the United States Navy through the Aviation Officer Candidate School and was designated a Naval Flight Officer in 1992. Walker is a graduate of the U.S. Naval War College.

His operational tours include VS-27 in the S-3B Viking, VS-32 deployed onboard USS America (CV 66) and USS Enterprise (CVN 65), and executive officer and subsequent command of VAQ-139 deployed onboard USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76). Walker also served as the Deputy Commodore and Commodore of the Electronic Attack Wing

U.S. Pacific Fleet flying the EA-18G Growler.

Ashore tours include S-3B NATOPS Evaluator at Commander, Sea Control Wing Atlantic, Viking Community Assignments Officer at Commander, Naval Personnel Command, Deputy Director, to PERS-43, NAE Diversity Director to Commander, Naval Air Forces, Chief of Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group in Newport, RI, the Chief of Staff to the Chief Information Officer and subsequently the Executive Assistant to General Paul Selva, the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Most recently, he served the duties of Executive Assistant to the 32nd Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Michael Gilday. Walker’s first flag officer assignment is Deputy Director of Operations, J3, for U.S. Cyber Command.

Walker has accumulated over 3900 hours and 696 carrier-arrested landings.

His awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (two awards), Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Strike Flight Air Medal (two awards), Joint Service Commendation, Navy Commendation Medal (two awards), USAF Commendation Medal and various unit and campaign awards.



# Rear Admiral David Walt

## Deputy Director for Resources and Acquisitions, J-8, Joint Staff



Rear Adm. David Walt is native of Dallas, Texas and a 1993 graduate of The University of Texas at Austin. He also holds a Master's degree in National Security Strategy from the National War College and a Master's degree in Organizational Management from The George Washington University (GWU).

Operationally, he commanded Helicopter Maritime Strike Wing Pacific and the forward deployed Warlords of Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light Five One (HSL-51) flying the MH-60R and SH-60B Seahawk. Previous operational assignments include HSL-42, where he served as squadron maintenance officer and deployed with USS Samuel B. Roberts (FFG 58) as detachment officer-in-charge. Serving with HSL-48 he deployed with USS Taylor (FFG 50) and USS McInerney (FFG 8). His initial sea tour was as a surface warfare officer on USS YORKTOWN (CG 48) where he deployed with NATO Standing Naval Forces Atlantic.

Walt's last staff assignment was as director of operations (FMB1) for the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Financial Management and Comptroller). Previous shore assignments include: director, Congressional Appropriations Matters Office (FMBE) on the staff of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (FM&C); operations analyst and executive assistant for CNO's Assessment Division (OPNAV N81), and as a strategy officer on the staff of U.S. European Command's Strategy, Policy, and Assessments Directorate (EUCOM J5).

He assumed his role as deputy director for Resources and Acquisitions, Joint Staff, J8 in April 2022.





## **Brigadier General Ahmed T. Williamson**

**Deputy Director, Operations, J-3, U.S. Cyber Command**

Brigadier General Williamson is currently assigned as the Deputy Director (Current Operations), J3, U.S. Cyber Command in Ft. Meade, Maryland since October 2022.

Brigadier General Williamson is originally from Upper Marlboro, Maryland. He graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy (USNA) and was commissioned in May 1994. He reported immediately to Quantico, Virginia where he attended The Basic School and follow-on instruction at the Basic Communication Officers Course.

Brigadier General Williamson has commanded communications units at the platoon, company, and battalion level and has served in staff positions with operational forces in deployed and combat environments. Assignments with the Fleet Marine Force include: Platoon Commander, 9th Communication Battalion (Comm Bn) in Camp Pendleton, California from 1995-1997. Assistant Communications Officer (S-6A) and Joint Task Force Enabler Officer in Charge with 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable), completing a WESTPAC deployment in 1998. Returning to 9th Comm Bn from 2003-2005, he first served as the Support Company Commander, deploying in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM (OIF) in 2003; he re-deployed to Iraq in support of OIF II as the Battalion S-3 Operations Officer from 2004-2005. In 2005, he reported to Okinawa, Japan to serve with 3d Marine Division initially as the G-6 Operations Officer; in 2006, he was assigned to command the 3d Marine Division Communication Company. From 2011-2013, he was the Commanding Officer of 9th Comm Bn. While in command, his battalion provided direct C4 support for the command elements of each I MEF Marine Air-Ground Task Force, including I MEF Forward deployed to Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan); the 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade contingency response mission; and the 11th, 13th, and 15th Marine Expeditionary Units.



Brigadier General Williamson's staff and supporting establishment positions include: From 2000-2002, he served as a Company Officer and Naval Leadership/Naval Science Instructor at USNA in Annapolis, Maryland. In 2007, he served as the III MEF Staff Secretary in Okinawa. He completed his initial tour in the Pentagon with an assignment in Headquarters Marine Corps (HQMC) C4 Department, serving as the Deputy Chief, Resources and Operations Division from 2016-2017. He was the Commanding Officer of the Marine Corps' Officer Candidates School in Quantico from 2017-2019. Following his command assignment, he served as the Military Assistant to the Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps (ACMC).

Brigadier General Williamson's joint assignments include: Duty with U.S. Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) at Tampa, Florida in 2009. He served as a Branch Chief in the J6 Communications Systems Directorate. Additionally, in 2010 he deployed to Iraq during Operation NEW DAWN, serving as the J6 Director of Communications for a Joint Special Operations Task Force. Following his participation in the Secretary of Defense Corporate Fellowship Program where

he was partnered with Microsoft Corp, he was assigned to the Joint Staff (JS) in the Pentagon from 2014-2016, serving as a Branch Chief and Program Manager within the J6 C4/Cyber Directorate.

Brigadier General Williamson's General Officer assignments include: Director of Manpower Plans & Policy Division (MP), Manpower & Reserve Affairs (M&RA) in Headquarters, Marine Corps (HQMC) from 2021-2022. During that same period, he also served as the Chief Diversity Officer of the Marine Corps.

Brigadier General Williamson's academic and professional education includes: B.S., Computer Science (USNA, 1994); M.S., Management (NPS, 2000-Distinguished); Masters of Military Studies (MCU, 2009); Darden School of Business Executive Education Course (UVA, 2013); Secretary of Defense Corporate Fellowship (2014); MIT Seminar XXI International Studies Fellowship (2021). Expeditionary Warfare School (2003-Distinguished); C4 Planners Course (2003); USMC Command and Staff College (2009-Distinguished); Joint-Combined Warfighting School JPME-II (JFSC, 2009); Joint C4I/Cyber Staff & Operations Course (JFSC, 2016); Joint-Combined Land Component Commanders Course (AWC, 2021); and Cyberspace Operations Executive Course (AU, 2022).

Brigadier General Williamson's personal decorations include the Legion of Merit (Second award), Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal (Third award), Meritorious Service Medal (Fourth award), Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medal, and Navy-Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

Brigadier General Williamson is married to the former Matrice Morgan of Washington, DC. They have three adult children; two of them currently serving in uniform.