

BIOGRAPHICAL INFO BOOK



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National Defense University



Vice Admiral Peter A. Garvin

President, National Defense University



Vice Adm. Pete Garvin graduated with merit from the United States Naval Academy in 1989 having earned a Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering (Astronautics). He is a 2005 graduate of the National War College, earning a Master of Science in National Security Strategy and a 2015 alumnus of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Seminar XXI.

Prior to flag rank, operational assignments include service with the “Pelicans” of Patrol Squadron (VP) 45, where he was the 1995 Association of Naval Aviation Pilot of the Year; department head with the “Mad Foxes” of VP-5; navigator aboard USS Kearsarge (LHD 3), where he served as flag navigator for the embarked Amphibious Squadron (PHIBRON) 6; executive and 59th commanding officer of

the “Fighting Tigers” of VP-8; and commander of Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing (CPRW) 10.

Shore assignments include flag lieutenant to Commander, Patrol Wings Atlantic (CPWL), Commander, Task Force (CTF) 84; instructor pilot at the P-3 fleet replacement squadron, VP-30; Washington placement officer at the Bureau of Naval Personnel (PERS 441); executive officer for the director, Operational Plans and Joint Force Development Directorate (J-7), Joint Staff; federal executive fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR); undersea warfare branch head in the assessments division (N81) and deputy director, unmanned warfare systems (N99) on the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations staff; and executive assistant to the vice chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Flag officer assignments include service as the 22nd commander of Navy Recruiting Command; commander, Patrol and Reconnaissance Group; the 20th commander of Naval Education and Training Command; and most recently as the 58th President of the United States Naval War College.

His decorations include the Navy Distinguished Service Medal, the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit (five awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Air Medal (two strike/flight) and various personal, unit and campaign decorations.

SENIOR FELLOWS

James 'Jim' Dickinson

GEN, USA (Ret)

CONUS AND WEEK 5 SENIOR FELLOW



Jim is the former Commander of United States Space Command, the nation's 11th and newest Combatant Command. During his tenure, Jim led US Space Command to full operational capability that enabled the command to provide strategic effects in support of the National Command Authority. He has commanded at every level from battery to combatant command. Throughout his career, Jim has held a variety of staff and command positions in space and missile defense.

In addition, Jim commanded the Army's Space and Missile Defense Command and the Joint Functional Component Command for Integrated Missile Defense (STRATCOM). He commanded both 94th (IndoPacific) and 32d

(FORSCOM/CENTCOM) Army Air and Missile Defense Commands, 35th ADA Brigade (8th Army/USFK), and 1st Bn, 7th ADA Battalion (OIF/CENTCOM). He has served as the Director for Test for the Missile Defense Agency and Deputy to the Inspector General, US Army.

Commissioned through the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) at Colorado State University, Jim earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering. He earned advanced degrees in operations research and system analysis from the Colorado School of Mines and a Master of Science degree in Strategic Studies from the Army War College.

After retiring, GEN(Ret) Dickinson serves as a senior advisor for Amazon/Kuiper Government Solutions, board member for Lynx Software Technologies, along with other advisory and board positions.

GEN(Ret) Dickinson and Angie retired in Colorado Springs from the US Army after a 38-year career. They have been married 39+ years, have four adult children, and seven grandchildren.



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.

Curtis "Mike" Scaparrotti

GEN, USA, Ret

EUROPE FIELD STUDY 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.



DOUGLAS FRASER
GENERAL
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
(RETIRED)

Former Commander
U.S. Southern Command



INDO-PACIFIC Field Study 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

SWA Field Study Senior Fellow

Admiral Harry Harris, USN (Ret) Former U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of Korea

Admiral Harris served as the U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of Korea (ROK) from July 2018 to January 2021.

A Naval Flight Officer, he served 40 years in the U.S. Navy, retiring on 1 June 2018. He joined the State Department 3 days later. From May 2015 to May 2018, he commanded the U.S. Pacific Command (USPACOM), now known as the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command (USINDOPACOM). He is the first Asian-American to hold 4-star rank in the U.S. Navy and the first to head USPACOM. He is also the first 4-star from the Navy's Maritime Patrol Aviation community. Prior to USPACOM, he commanded the U.S. Pacific Fleet, the U.S. 6th Fleet, Striking and Support Forces NATO, Joint Task Force Guantanamo, Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing 1, and Patrol Squadron 46. He participated in Operations Attain Document (Libya 1986), Desert Shield/Storm, Southern Watch, Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom, Willing Spirit (Colombian hostage recovery 2008), and Odyssey Dawn (Libya 2011). He has flown over 4400 hours, including over 400 combat hours.



From 2011 to 2013, Harris served as the representative of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to Secretaries of State Hillary Clinton and John Kerry. In this role, he traveled to over 80 different countries with the Secretary and participated in most of the Secretary's meetings with foreign leaders. He also served as the U.S. Roadmap Monitor for the Mid-East Peace Process where he travelled independently and extensively to Israel to meet with Israeli and Palestinian leaders.

Harris' personal decorations include the State Department's Distinguished Honor Award, 2 Defense Distinguished Service Medals, 3 Navy Distinguished Service Medals, 3 Defense Superior Service Medals, 3 Legions of Merit, 2 Bronze Stars, and the Air Medal (1 Strike/Flight). He received the Republic of Korea's Tong-il medal in 2014, Japan's Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun in 2018, and was made an Honorary Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) as part of the 2018 Special Honors list. He has also been decorated by the governments of France, Mongolia, the Philippines, and Singapore. He has been nationally recognized in the U.S. for his work as a champion of diversity.

Harris was born in Japan, reared in Tennessee and Florida, and graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1978. He holds master's degrees from Harvard's Kennedy School of Government and Georgetown's School of Foreign Service. He did post-graduate studies at Oxford University and completed the Seminar 21 fellowship at MIT. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Harris' father served in the U.S. Navy, was a veteran of World War II and the Korean War, and was stationed in Korea and Japan after World War II until he retired in 1958. Harris' mother was Japanese. She moved to Tennessee with her husband and young son in 1958 and became an American citizen in 1974.

Admiral Harris is married to Ms. Bruni Bradley, herself a retired career Naval officer.

CAPSTONE STAFF

Bonnie J. Swanson
Acting 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).

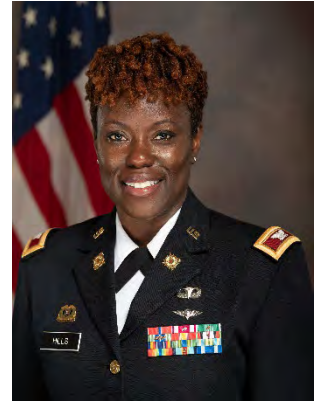
Bonnie has numerous military decorations and has attended many military schools, including the Basic Law Enforcement Academy at Lackland AFB, TX and the Advanced Military Police Academy at Fort McClellan, AL. She is still a record holder at UCONN for many soccer goalkeeping statistics, including the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

In 2005 Bonnie completed a Master's Degree in Organizational Management from the University of Phoenix.

Colonel Crystal Margie Hills

Colonel Crystal Hills is currently a Deputy Director for the Capstone Program, National Defense University.

COL Hills is a 1998 graduate of South Carolina State University, where she received a Bachelor of Arts, summa cum laude, in English. She participated in SC State's ROTC program where she served as Cadet Battalion commander and was subsequently commissioned (Distinguished Military Graduate) as a second lieutenant in the Quartermaster Corps. COL Hills was first assigned to Fort Bragg, N.C., where she held the following positions: executive officer, automotive platoon leader, and technical supply platoon leader in the 503rd Maintenance Company, 1st Corps Support Command. She then served as supply officer and operations officer for the 264th Corps Support Battalion.



In 2003, COL Hills was assigned to Camp Humphreys, Korea, where she served in the following positions under the 23rd Area Support Group: supply and services officer, wartime host nation officer, and commander, 348th Quartermaster Company, 194th Maintenance Battalion. While in command, COL Hills earned the General Douglas MacArthur Leadership Award and was inducted into the Association of Quartermasters' Honorable Order of Saint Martin.

In 2008, COL Hills earned a Master of Arts in English, with honors, from Georgia State University. She then served as an associate professor in the Department of English and Philosophy at the U.S. Military Academy. In 2011, she relocated to Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, and served as the brigade logistics officer for the 45th Sustainment Brigade and the executive officer, Special Troops Battalion, 45th SB. During this tour, she deployed to Kandahar, Afghanistan. Upon redeployment, COL Hills was assigned to U.S. Army Pacific where she served as the command speechwriter. In 2014, COL Hills was reassigned to the Pentagon as the Logistics, special assistant to the director of Army Staff. While there she served on the Army Transition Team. COL Hills left the Pentagon to assume command of Army Field Support Battalion-Africa in Livorno, Italy, serving from 2016 to 2018.

COL Hills then was reassigned to Fort Knox, Kentucky, where she served one year as branch chief, Quartermaster Enlisted Personnel. She then attended war college at National Defense University's Dwight D. Eisenhower School (Washington, D.C.). Here she earned a master's degree in National Security and Resource Strategy (Global Supply Chain and Logistics Management concentration); supported COVID-19 relief efforts with the White House Supply Chain Task Force and as a mentor for John Hopkins' COVID Design Challenge; and also earned a master's degree in business administration from Webster University. In 2020, COL Hills served as senior supply & logistics officer (G4) for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Rapid Deployable Corps Headquarters in Istanbul, Turkey. While in this position, she was selected as a Defense Ventures Fellow where she aided Structure Capital and defense innovation hubs to leverage dual use technology. In 2021, COL Hills served as a Chief of Staff, Senior Fellow with New America (Washington, D.C.) where she advanced research in the Army's adoption of semi-autonomous warehouses. Most recently, COL Hills commanded the 405th Army Field Support Brigade where her unit provided strategic logistics support to Europe and Africa. As such her unit led the strategic resupply and maintenance mission for Ukrainian support operations.



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Lieutenant Colonel JUSTIN R. GABBARD

Lieutenant Colonel Gabbard is currently Deputy Director, CAPSTONE, National Defense University. He has held two commands. As the Peterson-Schriever Garrison Comptroller he led 340 Comptroller Squadron and Wing Staff Agency members facilitating space and cyber space operations operating at over 14 operation locations with an annual budget of \$155M driving \$1.3B in economic impact. As the Pope Army Airfield Comptroller, he led 27 military and civilian personnel responsible for input and oversight of payroll services to approximately 2,600 military personnel and 100 civilian employees and managed \$101M directly impacting the Global Response Force.

Prior to his command assignments he was the Legislative Liaison Team Chief for the Air Combat Command Commander's Action Group. As a member of the ACC Commander's Action Group, he provided direct staff support to COMACC, preparing briefings, research and analysis to aid ACC leadership in articulating positions on key issues. His efforts supported more than 1,300 aircraft, 32 wings, 14 bases and nearly 170 operating locations worldwide with 98,000 active duty and civilian personnel.



Lieutenant Colonel Gabbard earned his commission from the United States Air Force Academy in 2006. He has deployed in support of Operations IRAQI FREEDOM, ENDURING FREEDOM, and RESOLUTE SUPPORT. Additionally, while serving with NATO his efforts supported Operation UNIFIED PROTECTOR, and various missions in Iraq, Sarajevo, and Kosovo.

EDUCATION

2006 Bachelor of Science in Management, United States Air Force Academy, Colorado
2006 Basic Financial Management Officer Course, Keesler AFB, Mississippi
2007 Air and Space Basic Course, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
2012 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
2014 Financial Management Squadron Officer Course, Keesler AFB, Mississippi
2014 Master of Arts in Military Operational Art & Science, Air University, Alabama
2017 Defense Financial Management and Comptroller School, Air University, Alabama
2019 Master of Arts in Military Operational Art & Science, Marine Corps University, Virginia
2023 Masters of Resource and Strategy, Ft McNair, Virginia

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Aug 06 – Feb 08, Deputy Budget Officer, 2nd Comptroller Squadron, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana
2. Feb 08 – Feb 09, Flight Commander Financial Services, 2 Comptroller Squadron, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana
3. Feb 09 – Feb 10, Lead Program Manager for Ministry of Interior, Multi-National Security Transition Command – Iraq, Baghdad
4. Feb 10 – Jun 10, Financial Commander Financial Services, 2 Comptroller Squadron, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana
5. Jun 10 – Jul 13, Crisis Response Operations Staff Officer, Financial Resources Branch, Allied Joint Force Headquarters Naples, Italy (with duties in Iraq, Sarajevo, and Kosovo)
6. Jul 13 – Jun 15, Major Command Budget Analyst, Air Combat Command, Joint Base Langley Eustis, Virginia
7. Jun 15 – Jun 16, Legislative Liaison Team Chief, ACC CAG, Joint Base Langley Eustis, Virginia

8. Jun 16 – Jun 18, Commander, 43d Comptroller Squadron, Pope Army Airfield, North Carolina
9. Jun 18 – Jun 19, Student, Marine Corps Command and Staff, Quantico, Virginia
10. Jun 19 – Jun 20, Commander, 50th Comptroller Squadron, Schriever AFB, Colorado
11. Jun 20 – Oct 20, Commander, 21st Comptroller Squadron, Peterson, AFB, Colorado
12. Oct 20 – Jun 22 Exercise Branch Chief, SAF/FMBP, Pentagon, Virginia
13. Jun 22 – June 23 Student, Eisenhower Resource & Strategy, Ft McNair, Virginia
14. Jun 23 – Present Deputy Director, CAPSTONE, Ft McNair, Virginia

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Bronze Star

Defense Meritorious Service Medal (1 oak leaf cluster)

Meritorious Service Medal (3 oak leaf clusters)

Air Force Commendation Medal

Army Commendation Medal

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Joint Meritorious Unit Award (1 oak leaf cluster)

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (1 oak leaf cluster)

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant – May 31, 2006

First Lieutenant – May 31, 2008

Captain – May 31, 2010

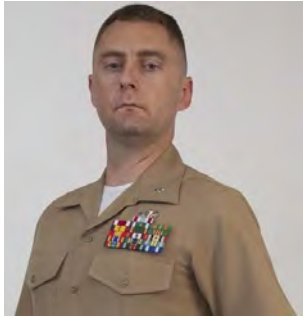
Major – July 1, 2016

Lieutenant Colonel – Oct 1, 2020

(Current as of 6 July 2023)

Lieutenant Colonel Chad A. Buckel

Deputy Director, Capstone – DC Scheduling



Lieutenant Colonel Chad Buckel is a native of Metairie, Louisiana. He graduated from The Citadel with a Bachelor of Arts in History, a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, and a minor degree in African American Studies. He completed Basic Training, Marine Corps Recruit Depot Paris Island in September 2002 and received his commission through the Platoon Leaders Course program in May 2005. He completed the Infantry Officers Course in March 2006.

LtCol Buckel's assignments in the operating forces include: Rifle Platoon Commander, Weapons Platoon Commander, Battalion Assistant Operations Officer, Rifle Company Commander, Battalion Operations Officer, Regimental Assistant Operations Officer, and Chief of Plans at Marine Forces Command / Marine Forces Northern Command.

Other assignments include: Infantry Advisor to the Royal Saudi Marines and Naval Special Forces, Company Executive Officer and Company Commander at Edson Range, and Planner for a Joint/Combined J35 and J5 at NATO Special Operations HQ.

LtCol Buckel is a graduate of Recruit Training, Paris Island, Field Radio Operators course, The Basic School, Infantry Officers Course, EWS (non-Res), High Risk Personnel Training, Foreign Weapons Instructor, Basic Airborne Course, Maneuver Captains Career Course (MCCC), Joint Fires Officer course, MCMAP Instructor course, MCTOG, Mountain Operations staff planners' course, Naval War College (non-Res), various NATO policy, strategy, and planning schools, the JPME II course, and the School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS). He also has a Graduate Degree in International Affairs from New England College.

LtCol Buckel currently serves as a Deputy Director DC Scheduling, CAPSTONE.

LtCol Buckel's personal awards include the Joint Service Commendation Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with gold star in lieu of second award, the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with V and gold star in lieu of second award, and the Combat Action Ribbon with gold star in lieu of second award.

LtCol Buckel is married to Chantal Labrie of Quebec, Canada. They have three children.

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

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

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



Cliff served in both staff and leadership positions in Armor and Cavalry units in Germany, Fort Hood, Texas, and Fort Stewart, Georgia. He commanded at the platoon, company, and battalion levels, culminating with command of the 5th Squadron, 7th Cavalry, 3rd 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.



Deputy Director for Operations

Sarkis Zoubian

Sarkis Zoubian is a native of Charlotte, North Carolina, and is currently the Deputy Director of Operations at Capstone. He graduated from the University of South Carolina – Columbia with a double major in Biological Anthropology and in English and worked at the South Carolina Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology.

After receiving his teaching certificate, he worked as a schoolteacher in the Russian Federation for two years, returning to the U.S. to complete a Master's degree in International Peace and Conflict Resolution at American University's School of International Service in Washington, D.C. He received a Boren Fellowship from the National Security Education Program and studied Russian and Kazakh while living in Kazakhstan for a year.

Sarkis previously worked at NDU's International Student Management Office where he handled the Alumni, Outreach, and Engagement portfolio before transferring to Capstone. In his spare time, he enjoys photography and kayaking, and speaks Russian at a high level while practicing Kazakh.



**ALLIED FELLOWS
ATTENDING
20 - 31 OCTOBER**

Biography – Brigadier Christopher Gardiner, DSM



Brigadier Christopher Gardiner, DSM is the inaugural Space and Cyber Attaché, within the Embassy of Australia, Washington D.C. He leads Australian military Space and Cyber engagement within the United States and is responsible for Australian defence personnel posted within these domains in the United States. He entered the Australian Defence Force in 1995, serving his formative years as an Armoured officer.

Brigadier Gardiner most recently served as the inaugural Commander of Space Forces Group and the inaugural Joint Force Space Component Commander. He was responsible to Commander Joint Capabilities Group for generating space capability and to Commander Joint Operations Command for the operational employment of this capability in close coordination with our operational partners. He has undertaken a range of postings throughout his career,

spanning training, staff and command positions. He is a graduate of the Joint Advanced Warfare School in Norfolk, Virginia, and the Australian Command and Staff College. Key staff appointments include Chief of Staff Special Operations Command, Director Domestic and Regional Plans within Joint Operations Command, and Military Assistant to the Special Operations Commander Australia.

Brigadier Gardiner was privileged to serve as Commanding Officer of 1st Armoured Regiment. During this tenure he led a deployment to Iraq, commanding the Training Task Unit, Task Group Taji. Other operational deployments include a staff appointment within the Multi-National Division South East, Iraq, as the Division Battle Captain, and staff officer within Headquarters Regional Command South, Afghanistan, employed as the Divisional Chief of Operations.

Brigadier Gardiner holds a Bachelor of Arts in History, a Master of Arts in Strategy and Policy, and a Master of Science in Joint Campaign Planning and Strategy. An enthusiast of outdoor activities, Brigadier Gardiner enjoys bush walks, snorkelling, cycling, and rugby. Brigadier Gardiner is happily married and father to three independent young daughters.

MAJOR-GENERAL MARTIN M. GROS-JEAN, CMM, CD
DEPUTY COMMANDER OF MILITARY PERSONNEL COMMAND

Major-General Martin Gros-Jean enrolled in the Canadian Forces in January 1997. After obtaining a degree in electrical engineering from Laval University and holding a number of civilian jobs, he decided to join the Forces as a military engineer.

During his career, Major-General Gros-Jean has worked in a variety of capacities in the Canadian Armed Forces, in combat engineering, construction engineering and in others. To name a few, he has been Commanding Officer of Engineering Services, Senior Staff Officer for Force Posture and Readiness, Chief of Staff of 1 Canadian Air Division, Commander of the CF Real Property Operations Group, Chief of Staff for the Canadian Special Operations Forces Command and Chief of Staff for ADM(IE) as well he was the CAF Chief Military Engineer.



His postings have taken him to Gagetown, Valcartier, Edmonton, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and Winnipeg. In Canada, he participated in humanitarian operations during the Red River flood in Manitoba in 1997 and the ice storm in Quebec the following year. He has taken part in two operations abroad: one in Bosnia-Herzegovina in 1999–2000 and another in 2008–2009, when he spent over 11 months as Chief liaison officer to the Armed Forces of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Major-General Gros-Jean is a Professional Engineer since 2002. He graduated from the Joint Command and Staff Program and has a Master's degree in Defence Studies from the Royal Military College of Canada (RMC) Kingston. He is also a graduate of the National Security Program from the Canadian Forces College in Toronto.

Major-General Gros-Jean is currently occupying the position of Deputy Commander of Military Personnel Command. He lives with his wife of 30 years and their two sons, aged 19 and 21.

BIOGRAPHY

BRIGADIER ESTHER HARROP, MNZM

COMMANDER, INFORMATION COMMAND (COMINFO)

Brigadier Esther Harrop is a New Zealand Army officer with over 30 years' experience in leadership, multi-national operations, strategy, international engagement and logistics. Esther has commanded at Company and Formation level and has deployed on operations to Bougainville and South Sudan.

In 1999, Esther was made a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit (MNZM) for her operational service in Bougainville.

Brigadier Harrop has served in various roles throughout her career, in both the 2nd and 3rd Logistics battalions, as well as roles at the New Zealand Army Officer Cadet School, in New Zealand Defence Force's Capability Branch, Defence Logistics Command and Strategic Commitments and Engagements Branch, and as a Defence Attaché accredited to several South Pacific nations. She has served three years in Canada at HQ DND managing the Canadian Light Armoured Vehicle Programme domestically and in Afghanistan, and two and a half years as New Zealand's Senior National representative at HQ US Central Command. Her recent roles were as NZ Army G4 and Logistics Commander (Land), as well as holding the Regimental Colonel role for the Royal New Zealand Army Logistics Regiment. Esther served on the NZ Army Leadership Board from 2021 to 2023.

Esther has a Commerce degree from the University of Auckland, a post-graduate degree in Human Resource Management from Massey University, a master's degree in Logistics Management from the Florida Institute of Technology, and a master's in National Resource Strategy from the National Defence University in Washington DC.



In June 2024, Esther graduated from the Eisenhower School at the US National Defence University where she was awarded the Ambassadors Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Partnership Building. Esther was promoted to Brigadier in November 2024 and assumed her new role as Commander, Information Command on 1 December 2024. As COMINFO, Brig Harrop is responsible to the Chief of Defence for cohering all information capabilities in the Defence Information Environment – including digital, data, infosec, cyberspace operations, information warfare and emerging technology.

Esther is of Samoan-German and Irish descent. She is married to Stephen and they have four sons; Nelson, Abraham, Solomon and Wolfgang. Esther loves music and practicing yoga, likes to read and by necessity, enjoys all sports.



Brigadier James A E Lewis OBE Royal Marines

Brigadier James Lewis was commissioned into the Royal Marines in 2002. He assumed the role of ACOS J5 (Plans) in the UK's Permanent Joint Headquarters (PJHQ) in April 2025.

He has enjoyed an operationally focussed career, including deployments to Iraq (Op TELIC '05), Pakistan (Op MATURIN '05), and Afghanistan (Op HERRICK '07, '08). At regimental duty, he held a variety of roles in 42 Commando Royal Marines; including Troop Commander, Company Second in Command, Operations Officer, Company Commander, and most recently, as the Commanding Officer ('22).

In staff positions, Lewis has worked in a wide variety of operations and planning roles. These include, HQ 3 Commando Brigade, PJHQ J3, MA to COM MARCOM, and as the Director of Staff in the Maritime Operations Centre. He has also been a member of the Directing Staff at the Intermediate Staff College (Land) (ICSCL). Prior to taking up his current role he was DACOS J5 in PJHQ.

In recognition of his contributions to maritime operations, Lewis was appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire in the Queen's Birthday Honours in 2021.

Lewis was educated at the Royal Hospital School ('97). He gained a BSc from Greenwich University ('00). He has an MA in Defence Studies from King's College London ('19) and an MBA from Stafford University ('23). Lewis completed the UK's Advanced Command and Staff Course (ACSC), where he was awarded the Essenhigh Prize as the top maritime student ('19). He is also an alumnus of the UK's Higher Command and Staff Course (HCSC) ('25).

He is married to Anna, and together they have two children.

FELLOWS



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL ANTHONY D. BABCOCK

Brig Gen Anthony D. Babcock serves as the Director of Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. He is responsible for policy, guidance, training and resources in support of more than 49,000 total-force logistics, civil engineering and force protection personnel, and 1,074 aircraft at 10 major installations in the United States and nearly 100 locations worldwide. His directorate also provides direct support to 18th Air Force, AMC's sole warfighting numbered Air Force, and the U.S. Air Force Expeditionary Center, the Air Force's Center of Excellence for enroute, contingency response and partnership capacity building mission sets.

Brig Gen Babcock was commissioned in 1996 from the U.S. Air Force Academy. He has served in various mobility, special operations, and fighter aircraft maintenance organizations, and has completed staff officer assignments at Headquarters Air Force Special Operations Command, Headquarters Air Force, and the Joint Staff. He has commanded flightline and backshop maintenance squadrons, and Maintenance Groups in both Air Mobility Command and Air Force Special Operations Command. In addition, he commanded the Barnes Center for Enlisted Education, a wing-equivalent organization responsible for all enlisted education programs. Prior to this assignment, he served as the Chief of the Maintenance Division, Director of Logistics, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Installations, and Force Protection, Headquarters Air Force, Pentagon.



EDUCATION

1996 Bachelor of Science, Military History, United States Air Force Academy, Colorado
2001 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
2003 Air Force Intern Program, Headquarters United States Air Force, Pentagon, Washington D.C.
2003 United States Marine Corps Amphibious Warfare School, by seminar
2003 Master of Arts, Organizational Management, The George Washington University, Washington D.C.
2007 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL, by correspondence
2010 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL, by correspondence
2011 Advanced Program in Logistics and Technology, Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina
2015 Master of Science in National Resource Strategy, National Defense University, The Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy, Washington D.C.
2017 Fellow, Seminar XXI, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
2020 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina

ASSIGNMENTS

1. May 1996 - May 1997, Sortie Generation Flight Maintenance Officer, 319th Aircraft Generation Squadron, Grand Forks Air Force Base, N.D.
2. May 1997 - December 1998, Chief, Quality Assurance, 319th Logistics Group, Grand Forks AFB, N.D.
3. December 1998 - June 2002, Tanker Airlift Control Element Operations Officer/Commander, 621st Air Mobility Squadron, McGuire AFB, N.J.
4. June 2002 - June 2003, Air Force Intern, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

5. June 2003 - May 2004, OIC, 15th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
6. May 2004 - August 2007, Maintenance Operations Officer, 16th Helicopter Maintenance Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
7. August 2006 – April 2007, Chief, Fixed Wing Maintenance Section, Headquarters Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
8. April 2007 – Nov 2007, Executive Officer to the Vice Commander, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
9. Nov 2007 – May 2008, Aide-de-camp to the Commander, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
10. May 2008 – August 2008, Maintenance Operations Officer, 49th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Holloman AFB, N.M.
11. August 2008 – May 2010, Commander, 49th Maintenance Operations Squadron, Holloman AFB, N.M.
12. June 2010 – July 2012, Commander, 352nd Special Operations Maintenance Squadron, Royal Air Force Mildenhall, United Kingdom
13. July 2012 – July 2013, Deputy Chief, Global Mobility Division, Deputy Chief of Staff, Strategic Plans and Programs (A8), Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
14. July 2013 – August 2014, Exercise Branch Chief, Program Integration Division, Deputy Chief of Staff, Strategic Plans and Programs (A8), Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
15. August 2014 – June 2015, Student, National Defense University, The Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy, Washington, D.C.
16. June 2015 – February 2016, Deputy Division Chief, Pakistan-Afghanistan Division, Directorate for Strategic Plans and Policy (J5), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
17. February 2016 – July 2017, Chief of Staff, Transregional Threats Coordination Cell, Directorate for Strategic Plans and Policy (J5), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
18. August 2017 – June 2019, Commander, 62nd Maintenance Group, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash
19. July 2019 – June 2021, Commander, 1st Special Operations Maintenance Group, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
20. June 2021 – June 2023, Commander, Thomas N. Barnes Center for Enlisted Education, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
21. July 2023 – July 2024, Chief, Maintenance Division, Director of Logistics, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Installations, and Force Protection, Headquarters Air Force, Pentagon.
22. July 2024 – Present, Director of Logistics, Engineering, and Force Protection, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, IL.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 2015 – February 2016, Deputy Division Chief, Pakistan-Afghanistan Division, Directorate for Strategic Plans and Policy (J5), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C., as a Lieutenant Colonel
2. February 2016 – July 2017, Chief of Staff, Transregional Threats Coordination Cell, Directorate for Strategic Plans and Policy (J5), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C., as a Colonel

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

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

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 29, 1996
 First Lieutenant May 29, 1998
 Captain May 29, 2000
 Major May 1, 2006
 Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2010
 Colonel April 1, 2016
 Brigadier General Frocked

(Current as of Sept 2024)

Brigadier General Jeremy A. Bartel

Deputy Commanding General, U.S. Army Installation Management Command



Brigadier General Jeremy A. Bartel currently serves as the Deputy Commanding General of U.S. Army Installation Management Command, Ft. Sam Houston, Texas.

Prior to assignment at Installation Management Command, BG Bartel commanded Special Operation Joint Task Force – Central headquartered in Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar, overseeing Special Operations activities in support of OPERATION ENDURING SENTINEL. He also served as the Chief of Staff, U.S Army Central Command.

BG Bartel's other Special Operations assignments include: Special Forces Operational Detachment Commander and assistant Battalion Operations Officer for 1st Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne); Special Forces Company Command and Battalion

Operations Officer, 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne); Group Operations Officer at 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne); Deputy Commanding Officer, Combined Special Operations Task Force – 10; and Director of Joint Operations for Special Operations Command – Europe.

BG Bartel's other Key Military positions include: Senior Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict from 2021 to 2023; Commander of U.S. Army Garrison - Kwajalein Atoll in the Republic of the Marshall Islands from 2019-2021; and Commander, HHBN, 2nd Infantry Division at Camp Red Cloud, Korea.

BG Bartel has deployed in support of named operations across three Global Combatant Commands including OPERATION JOINT GUARDIAN, Kosovo; OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM – Philippines, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq; OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan; and OPERATION ENDURING SENTINEL, Qatar.

BG Bartel Commissioned from Kemper Military Academy in 1995 as an Engineer Officer. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Missouri – Columbia, and a Master of Science in Defense Analysis from the Naval Post Graduate School in Monterey California. Was also selected as an Army War College Fellow in Herzliya, Israel at the Institute for Counterterrorism within the Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy.



BRIGADIER GENERAL BETH A. BEHN
Tank-automotive & Armaments Command



BIOGRAPHY

Brigadier General Beth A. Behn assumed the duties as the Commanding General, U.S. Army Tank-automotive and Armaments Command, Army Materiel Command on July 22, 2025.

The command employs thousands of people worldwide and oversees a \$30 billion budget annually. In addition to the command staff at the headquarters located at the Detroit Arsenal, Brigadier General Behn oversees activities at the Integrated Logistics Support Center, four depots, two arsenals, the Army's ground equipment supply chain, life cycle management, and sustainment efforts affecting active-duty Army units around the world.



Brigadier General Behn formerly served as the Director of Operations, HQDA G-43/5/7 from June 2024-July 2025.

Brigadier General Behn is a native of Cedar Falls, Iowa. She graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1994, and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Transportation Corps.

Brigadier General Behn is a graduate of the Air War College, the Army Command and General Staff College, the Combined Logistics Officer Advanced Course, and the Transportation Officer Basic Course. She holds a master's degree and doctorate in history from the University of Massachusetts Amherst. Behn's key leadership assignments include the 33rd Chief of Transportation/Commandant, U.S. Army Transportation School, Fort Lee, Virginia; Commander, 7th Transportation Brigade (Expeditionary), Fort Eustis, Virginia; Commander, 26th Brigade Support Battalion, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia; Commander, 96th Transportation Company (HET), Fort Hood, Texas; and Platoon Leader, Company Executive Officer, and Detachment Commander in various units in the 24th Transportation Battalion, 7th Transportation Group, Fort Eustis, Virginia.

Other significant assignments include Deputy Commander for Support, Security Assistance Group-Ukraine, Executive Officer, Army Deputy Chief of Staff, G8, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.; Chief of Staff, Army Sustainment Command, Rock Island Arsenal, Illinois; Director, ANDSF Logistics, Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan; Deputy Chief of Staff, G4, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia; Assistant Professor, Department of History, United States Military Academy, West

Point, New York; BCT S-4 and Support Operations Officer, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Carson, Colorado; Battalion S-4, 180th Transportation Battalion, Fort Hood, Texas.

Brigadier General Behn's operational deployments include Operation Uphold Democracy in Haiti in 1995, Operation Desert Thunder (Kuwait) in 1998, Operation Iraqi Freedom 05-07 and 08-10 (Iraq), Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan) 2016-2017 and Operation Atlantic Resolve in 2023.

Brigadier General Behn's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters, Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf cluster, Defense Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters, NATO Medal, National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Star, Iraq Campaign Medal with two Bronze Stars, and Afghanistan Campaign Medal.



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



MAJOR GENERAL DANIEL D. BOYACK

Maj. Gen. Daniel D. Boyack serves as the 21st Adjutant General for the state of Utah. As the commander, Maj. Gen. Boyack serves as the chief military advisor to the governor of Utah. He is also the Air National Guard Representative on the Secretary of Defense's Reserve Forces Policy Board (RFPB), the Secretary of the Air Force's Air Reserve Forces Policy Committee and on the Director of the Air National Guard's Director's Advisory Council (DAC). He is responsible for ensuring more than 7,000 soldiers, airmen, and civilian employees are ready and equipped to rapidly respond to state and homeland emergencies and prepared to mobilize in support of the Army and Air Force.

General Boyack began his career with the Utah Air National Guard in 1994. He was commissioned through the Air National Guard's Academy of Military Science in 2000. He graduated in 2001 from Joint Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training, where he was selected as the Distinguished Graduate and awarded the Commanders Trophy.

General Boyack is a veteran of several military operations including: ALLIED FORCE, JOINT GUARDIAN, NORTHERN WATCH, NOBLE EAGLE, JOINT FORGE, ENDURING FREEDOM, IRAQI FREEDOM, and INHERENT RESOLVE. He serves as a Pilot for a major airline. Prior to his current position, he served as the Assistant Adjutant General of the Utah Air National Guard.



EDUCATION

2000 Bachelor of Science degree in Liberal Studies, Excelsior University, Albany, New York

2007 Squadron Officer School, by correspondence

2012 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence

2013 Air War College, by correspondence

2013 Master's Degree in Organizational Leadership, Argosy University, Salt Lake City, Utah

ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 2000 - October 2001, Student undergraduate Pilot training, 71st Flying Wing, Vance AFB, Oklahoma
2. October 2001 – October 2003, Co-Pilot, KC-135E, 191st Air Refueling Squadron, Salt Lake City, Utah
3. October 2003 – October 2004, Aircraft Commander, Pilot Scheduler, KC-135, 191st Air Refueling Squadron, Salt Lake City, Utah
4. October 2004 - October 2007, Mobility Pilot, Pilot Scheduler, KC-135, 151st Operations Support Flight, Salt Lake City, Utah
5. October 2007 - October 2010, Instructor Pilot, KC-135R, 151st Operations Support Flight, Salt Lake City, Utah
6. October 2010 - June 2015, Chief of Wing Plans, Eval Pilot, KC-135R 151st Air Refueling Wing, Salt Lake City, Utah
7. June 2015 - June 2016, Commander, KC-135 Eval Pilot, 191st Air Refueling Squadron, Salt Lake City, Utah

8. June 2016 - June 2017, Vice Wing Commander, 151 Air Refueling Wing, Salt Lake City, Utah
9. June 2017 – June 2019, A3 Director of Operations, Headquarters, Salt Lake City, Utah
10. June 2019 – August 2023, Assistant Adjutant General for Air, Headquarters, Salt Lake City, Utah
11. August 2023 – Present, Adjutant General of Utah, Headquarters, Draper, Utah

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: 3090

Aircraft flown: KC-135E/R/T, T-37, T-1

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with oak leaf cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal

Air & Space Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air & Space Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Unit Award with oak leaf cluster

Combat Readiness Medal two oak leaf clusters

Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal

National Defense Service Medal with service star

Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with two service stars

Kosovo Campaign Medal with service star

Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant Sep. 1, 2000

First Lieutenant Sep. 1, 2002

Captain Nov. 2, 2004

Major Nov. 2, 2008

Lieutenant Colonel Nov. 4, 2012

Colonel Sep. 15, 2016

Brigadier General Feb. 27, 2020

Major General (UT) Sep. 1, 2023

Major General Jul. 31, 2024

(Current as of December 2024)



Brigadier General Matthew W. Braman

Chief Marketing Officer, Army Enterprise Marketing Office

Brigadier General Matt Braman assumed duties as the Chief, Army Enterprise Marketing Office (AEMO), Chicago, Illinois, in July 2025. He is responsible for the development and implementation of the Army's national marketing and advertising strategy and branding to increase talent acquisition and retention. Originally from Newport, Rhode Island, he received a United States Army, Regular Army Commission to the Aviation Branch from Norwich University in 1995. Upon completion of flight school, he was assigned to the 82d Airborne Division from 1996-1999. While assigned, his duties included Headquarters Company Executive Officer, Support & Assault Helicopter Platoon Leader.

After attending the Aviation Captains Career Course, he was assigned to the 1-228th Aviation Regiment, Republic of Honduras as Assistant Operations Officer and UH-60 Company Commander from 2000-2002. Upon leaving Honduras he successfully assessed for the Special Operations Aviation Regiment (SOAR) and was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 160th SOAR at Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia. From 2002-2006 he served as an MH-60L Platoon Leader and Operations Officer.

In 2006, he attended the Naval Command and Staff College in Newport, Rhode Island before returning to the 160th SOAR. From 2007-2012, he served as Operations Officer and then Commander of the Regimental Operational Assessment Element, 160th SOAR. From April 2012 through June 2014, he commanded 2-10th Aviation Regiment at Fort Drum and at Forward Operating Base Shank in Afghanistan.

After his Battalion Command, he attended the National War College in Washington, DC with a follow-on assignment as the Military Assistant to the Secretary of the Army then Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense. He then was selected for Command of the 16th Combat Aviation Brigade at Joint Base Lewis-McChord from 2018-2020 before returning to the Pentagon as the Deputy Director for Army Aviation on the HQDA staff within the G-3/5/7. From 2022-2024, he served as the Deputy Commanding General for Sustainment at 10th Mountain Division in Fort Drum, NY, before returning to the Pentagon for the third time to serve as the Director, Army Aviation for Headquarters, Department of the Army (HQDA) G-3/5/7.

BG Braman has deployed over 36 months in support of Overseas Contingency Operations in multiple theaters from 2002 till present. He is a Master Aviator qualified in the OH-58C, UH-60A/L/M, MH-60L, and MH-60L Direct Action Penetrator aircraft. His awards and decorations include the Silver Star, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, and Air Medal (6). He has been awarded the Senior Parachutist Badge and the Combat Action Badge and is a graduate of Survive, Evade, Resist, Escape course and the Special Operations Aviation Training Course. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Communications from Norwich University, a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College, and a Master's of Science in National Security Strategy from The National War College.

BG Braman is a lifelong Boston sports fan and has 2 sons, Gavin (16) and Kellen (14).

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BG Timothy M. Brower
National Guard Bureau
The Pentagon, Washington D.C. 20301

Brigadier General Tim Brower attended the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, where he commissioned in 1998. After completing the Military Intelligence Officer Basic Course at Fort Huachuca, Arizona, BG Brower began his military career at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, where he served as the intelligence officer for the 2-27th Infantry Battalion “Wolfhounds.”

BG Brower transitioned to the Michigan Army National Guard in March 2001 as an intelligence officer in the 46th Infantry Brigade (Mech) and the 1-126th Armor Battalion. From 2003-04, BG Brower was mobilized to command a security augmentation company during Operation NOBLE EAGLE. His unit performed duty in Michigan at Selfridge Air National Guard Base and U.S. Army Tank-automotive and Armament Command. Following mobilization, BG Brower continued to serve in the MIARNG and completed the Military Intelligence Captain’s Career Course.

BG Brower transferred to the Alaska Army National Guard as an AGR Soldier in 2006 and served as the Battalion Intelligence Officer for the 49th Missile Defense Battalion. He then served as the Brigade Intelligence Officer for the 297th Battlefield Surveillance Brigade where he helped stand-up the new unit. BG Brower attended the resident Command & General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth from 2010-11. Following CGSC, he became the Battalion Executive Officer/Assistant Professor of Military Science at the University of Alaska Anchorage’s Army ROTC program. In 2014, BG Brower assumed duties as the Assistant Chief of Staff for the Alaska Army National Guard. Next, he commanded the 49th Missile Defense Battalion from June 2015 – June 2017. Following command, BG Brower attended the US Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania. Tim completed a broadening assignment as the Deputy J5/Arctic Planner for Special Operations Command North at Peterson Space Force Base in Colorado Springs. He deployed from 2019-2020 with Special Operations Joint Task Force – Afghanistan during Operation FREEDOM’S SENTINEL as part of the RESOLUTE SUPPORT mission. He returned to Alaska following deployment and served as the Brigade Commander for the 38th Troop Command and then as the Chief of Staff, AKARNG. Tim served his first GO assignment as the Vice Director, Strategy, Policy, Plans, and International Affairs Directorate at the National Guard Bureau (NGB). He is currently serving as the Vice Director of Staff, NGB.

BG Brower earned a Master of Strategic Studies from the USAWC, a Master of Military Art & Science - Strategy from CGSC, and a Master of Strategic Intelligence from American Military University. His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3 oak leaf clusters), Air Assault Badge, Parachutist Badge, Basic Space Badge, and the German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge. Tim is married to his wife, Melanie, and they have seven children: Liz (21), Josh (20), Debbie (19), Timmy (16), Isaiah (14), Caleb (12), and Abbie (5).



Kevin J. Brown
RDML, MC, USN
Commander, Naval Medical Forces Pacific
Director, Defense Health Network Pacific

Rear Admiral (lower half) Brown began his military career in 1993 upon entering the Medical University of Ohio where he attended medical school as a recipient of the United States Navy Health Professions Scholarship Program. He graduated in 1997 and transferred to Naval Hospital Jacksonville where he completed a Family Medicine internship and residency. Upon completion of residency in 2000, he was assigned to Robert E. Bush Naval Hospital at the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center in Twentynine Palms where he delivered full scope medical care to include inpatient and outpatient obstetric, pediatric, and adult medicine for three years.

In September 2003, he reported to the Naval Health Clinic Annapolis at the United States Naval Academy, practicing family medicine until being selected for the Aerospace Medicine residency in 2007. He reported for training at Naval Air Station Pensacola, serving as Flight Surgery Class Leader and Chief Resident for the combined Navy/Army Aerospace Medicine program. Upon graduation, RDML Brown reported to USS ENTERPRISE as the Senior Medical Officer and Carrier Strike Group TWELVE Surgeon. During his tenure onboard, he led the team to three consecutive Blue “M” and Blue “H” awards for quality healthcare and health promotion, in addition to completing two fleet training cycles with subsequent combat deployments in 2011 and 2012. RDML Brown reported to Naval Medical Center Portsmouth in August 2013 where his duties included membership on the Command Executive Board while serving as Director, Public Health Services for one year and Director, Primary Care and Branch Health Clinics for two years. He concurrently served as the interim Chief Operating Officer and Medical Director for the Tidewater Multiservice Market from 2014 to 2015. RDML Brown was assigned as Naval Air Forces Surgeon from 2016 to 2018 and completed his Executive Officer tour at Naval Hospital Jacksonville in 2020. In support of the COVID-19 pandemic, he deployed to Texas, Louisiana, New York and Connecticut as Commanding Officer of Expeditionary Medical Facility-Mike in 2020. In July 2022, he assumed duties as Fleet Surgeon for U.S. Fleet Forces Command and later completed a command tour at Naval Medical Center Camp Lejeune in May 2024. His most recent assignment was as Commander, Naval Medical Forces Atlantic, and Director, Defense Health Network Atlantic.

RDML Brown’s medical awards include Naval Hospital Jacksonville’s Intern of the Year, 1998; Naval Hospital Jacksonville’s Resident of the Year, 2000; Naval Hospital Jacksonville’s OB/GYN Resident of the Year, 2000; Naval Hospital Jacksonville’s Resident Teacher Award, 2000. He is board certified in both Family Medicine and Preventive Medicine (Aerospace), and is a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Practice. He holds a Master of Public Health from the Uniformed Services University and a Master of Business Administration from the Naval Postgraduate School.

RDML Brown’s individual military awards include Legion of Merit (4), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (2), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (3). He is a designated Naval Flight Surgeon and Surface Warfare Medical Department Officer.

Brigadier General Nick I. Brown
Commanding General, Marine Corps Installations West-
Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton

Brigadier General Nick I. Brown currently serves as the Commanding General, Marine Corps Installations West-Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California. He is a native of New York, and graduate of Stony Brook University.



His prior operational assignments include 3rd Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, Camp Lejeune NC where he served as the Motor Transportation Officer and Assistant Logistics Officer. 2d Marine Aircraft Wing, Cherry Point, NC where he served as Headquarters and Service Company Commander and Operations Officer; Marine Wing Support Squadron 271, and Assistant Operations Officer and Logistics Officer, Marine Wing Support Group 27. During these assignments, he deployed in both 2003 and 2005 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. From 2010 to 2013, he was assigned to Okinawa, Japan and served as the III Marine Expeditionary Force Maritime Prepositioned Force planner and Information Management Officer. While at III MEF, he deployed to Monrovia Liberia in support of Operation Onward Liberty serving as Brigade Staff Advisor to the Liberian Armed Forces.

He was the Commanding Officer, Marine Wing Support Squadron 172, Okinawa, from 2013 to 2015; served as the Assistant Chief of Staff for Logistics (AC/S G4), 1st Marine Division, and was the Commanding Officer, Combat Logistics Regiment 17, Camp Pendleton, CA, from 2018 to 2021.

His previous supporting establishment assignments include: The Amphibious Warfare School, where he served as the Support Branch Head, the Department of Aviation, HQMC where he served as the Aviation Ground Support Coordinator, Aviation Enablers Branch (APX), Executive Assistant to the Deputy Commandant for Installations and Logistics, and Manpower and Reserve Affairs, where he served as the Branch Head.

While assigned to the Joint Staff Logistics Directorate (J4), he served as the Chief of the Global Prepositioned War Reserve Materiel Branch and Deputy Director for Current Operations.

He is a graduate of the Army Logistics Captains Career Course, Army Command and General Staff College, and the Marine Corps War College. He holds a Master of Public Administration from Central Michigan University and a Master of Strategic Studies from the Marine Corps War College.

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

Brigadier General Kenneth J. Burgess

Director, J8 Capability & Resource Integration Directorate

U.S. Cyber Command

Brigadier General (BG) Kenneth J. Burgess assumed duties as the Director, J8 Capability & Resource Integration, U.S. Cyber Command (USCYBERCOM) on June 22nd 2023.

As Director, J8 he is responsible for integrating USCYBERCOM into the Defense Department's requirements planning, programming, budgeting and execution (PPBE) process to meet the growing demand for offensive and defensive cyberspace operations.

Preceding his assignment to USCYBERCOM, BG Ken Burgess was the Deputy Commander for Support, 7th Infantry Division (7ID) responsible for unit readiness with emphasis on budget management, maintenance, and sustainment. He also previously served as the Program Manager for the Saudi Arabia National Guard Modernization Program, responsible for the U.S. Army's foreign military sales program in Riyadh, including acquisitions, contract oversight, and financial management.



Ken's operational commands include the 173rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Airborne), Vicenza, Italy (2019-2021), the 2nd Ranger Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington (2016-2018), and 1st Battalion, 325 Airborne Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, Ft. Bragg, NC (2014-2016).

From 2011-2014 he served on the Joint Staff as an Africa Counterterrorism Operations Officer and the Executive Assistant to the Deputy Director for Special Operations and Counterterrorism (DDSO/CT), J37. BG Burgess also served in various leadership and staff positions, including Mortar Platoon Leader, S5, and later Battalion S3 and Battalion Executive Officer in 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment; two Company Commands in 2nd Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division; and platoon leader and Company executive officer in 3-15 IN, 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized).

He has nine combat deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom.

Ken is a Distinguished Graduate from the U.S. Army War College, Carlisle, PA, with a Master of Strategic Studies and he holds a Master of Science Degree in Defense Analysis (Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict) from the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA. He commissioned as an ROTC Distinguished Military Graduate from James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA.

Ken is married with two children.



A native of Chicago, Illinois, Brigadier General Thomas "Tom" E. Burke commissioned into Aviation upon graduation from St. John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota. Following the Officer Basic Course and flight school at Fort Rucker, Alabama, Brigadier General Burke served his initial tour as an AH-64A Apache Platoon Leader, Aviation Support Platoon Leader, and Battalion S4 with 2nd Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment at Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

His key assignments include: Assistant Brigade S3 and Commander, Alpha Troop, 3rd Squadron, 6th Cavalry Brigade at Camp Humphreys, Korea; Aviation Captains Assignment Officer with Human Resources Command in Alexandria, Virginia; Joint Chiefs of Staff/Office of the Secretary of Defense (JCS/OSD) Intern to the Secretary of Defense, Donald Rumsfeld; Executive Officer to the Commanding General of the Multi-National Security Transition Command-Iraq/NATO Training Mission-Iraq at Camp Phoenix in

Baghdad, Iraq; Battalion Operations Officer and Executive Officer with 3rd Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, and Forward Operating Base Salerno in Khost Province, Afghanistan; Deputy Chief of Strategic Plans and Policy in the Pakistan-Afghanistan Coordination Cell at the Pentagon in Washington, DC; Battalion Commander of 3rd Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment at Fort Campbell, Kentucky and Forward Operating Base Fenty in Jalalabad, Afghanistan; Brigade Commander of the 25th Combat Aviation Brigade with the 25th Infantry Division at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; Chief of Staff of the Army Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution in Washington, DC; Deputy Commanding Officer-Support with the 7th Infantry Division at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington and; Director, House Affairs in the Office of the Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs at the Pentagon in Washington, DC.

Brigadier General Burke received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from St. John's University, a Master of Science degree in Policy Management from Georgetown University, and PhD in International Relations from The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University.

Brigadier General Burke's awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit (2 Oak Leaf Cluster), the Bronze Star Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Defense Meritorious Service Medal (1 Oak Leaf Cluster), Air Medal (numeral device "2"), Meritorious Service Medal (3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Senior Aviator Badge, Combat Action Badge, and the Air Assault Badge.

Brigadier General Burke is married to the former Frances Tilney and they have three daughters – Mary (17), Claire (16), and Catherine (5) – and one son, Nicholas (12).



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BRIGADIER GENERAL SEAN M. CARPENTER

Brig Gen Sean M. Carpenter is the Mobilization Assistant to the Deputy Chief of Staff (DCS) for Plans and Programs (AF/A8), Pentagon, Washington D.C. where he assists in developing, integrating, and recommending strategic planning and programming options to the Secretary of the Air Force and the Chief of Staff of the Air Force, to meet worldwide air, space, and cyber requirements and support the national military strategy.

Brig Gen Carpenter received his commission in June 1996 from the Reserve Officer Training Corps at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He completed pilot training at Laughlin AFB, Texas, in 1998, and was assigned as an F-16C pilot. He is a veteran of Operations Southern Watch, Northern Watch, Noble Eagle, and Iraqi Freedom. He commanded at the wing, group and squadron level, graduated from the Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy as a Distinguished Graduate at Fort McNair in Washington D.C. and served as the Director, Commander's Action Group, for the Chief of the Air Force Reserve.



His education includes a Bachelor of Science degree in Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a Master of Science in Aerospace Engineering from Stanford University. Brig Gen Carpenter's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Medal and Aerial Achievement Medal. Brig Gen Carpenter is a command pilot with more than 3,000 flying hours, including 325 combat hours, flying the F-16C and F-35A.

In his civilian capacity, he is a First Officer and Lead Line Validation Pilot with a major airline. He and his wife, Christine, have three children and currently reside in Yorktown, Virginia.

Brigadier General Stephen P. Case
United States Army Reserve
Commanding General, 95th Training Division
Fort Sill, Oklahoma



Brig. Gen. Stephen P. Case assumed duty as the Commanding General of the 95th Training Division (Initial Entry Training), Fort Sill, Oklahoma, on Feb. 22, 2025.

He commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Armor Branch following graduation from the United States Military Academy at West Point where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Engineering Management. Spending the first third of his career on Active Duty, he served in various company grade assignments at Fort Drum, Fort Benning, and in the Republic of Korea.

He led Anti-tank and Scout Platoons and served as a Company Executive Officer in 3-17 Cavalry, 10th Mountain Division. After volunteering for a tour in Korea, he served as an Armor Battalion Logistics Officer and Heavy Mortar Platoon Leader in 2-72 Armor Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division. Returning Stateside, he attended the Infantry Officer Advanced Course and the Combined Arms Services Staff School before taking assignment as the Operations Officer for 1-29 Infantry Regiment at Fort Benning, GA.

Transferring to the Alabama National Guard, he became the Assistant Operations Officer to 20th Special Forces Group. From that assignment, he activated and deployed to the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force – Afghanistan where he chiefly served as the J35 planner. In 2004, Brigadier General Case entered the Army Reserve to help train Joint Special Operations integration to mobilizing conventional Reserve and National Guard units. In 2006, he was reassigned to Special Operations Command (SOCOM) to establish a special intelligence program. Later, he worked for the United States Army Corps of Engineers as a military engineering specialist, strategic planner, and operations officer. In 2013, he became the Deputy Brigade Commander for the Army Materiel Command - Army Reserve Element followed by his selection for Battalion Command of 4-323 Infantry Regiment. After Battalion Command, he was promoted to Colonel and served as the Officer-in-Charge of the Reserve Element supporting the Joint Munitions Command.

After selection for Brigade Command, he facilitated multinational interoperability in all war fighting functions for United States Army Europe as the Commander of the 209th Digital Liaison Detachment. After command, he served as the Chief of Staff of the 335th Signal Command (Theater), overseeing the readiness and deployment of Army Reserve signal, cyber, and information operations capabilities. In 2022, he was promoted to Brigadier General and served as the Deputy Commanding General for the Combined Joint Task Force-Horn of Africa in Djibouti. In 2023, he assumed duty as the Deputy Commanding General - Operations of the 88th Readiness Division where he worked a multitude of Large Scale Mobilization Operations and Homeland Defense issues.

Brigadier General Case has received several Service and Joint awards and decorations. His military schooling includes Airborne, Air Assault, Sapper Leader, Scout Leader, Mortar Leader, and Advanced Joint Professional Military Education among other schools. He also holds a Master of Arts in Management and Leadership from Webster University and is a Fellow from the Defense Acquisition University. He also attended Senior Leader Seminar after graduating from Senior Service College.



Rear Admiral Jay Clark

Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (N17) Director, Navy Culture and Force Resilience Office



Rear Admiral Jay Clark is a native of Pembroke, Georgia and graduated from Bryan County High School. He is a 1995 graduate of Morris Brown College where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science and received his commission through NROTC Morehouse in Atlanta, Georgia. Clark also holds a Master's Degree in Systems Management from the Naval Postgraduate School and a Master's Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College.

Clark's sea duty assignments include tours in USS KEARSARGE (LHD 3) as an Engineering and Deck Division Officer, USS HAYLER (DD 997) as Navigator/Administration Officer, USS ROSS (DDG 71) as the Chief Engineer, and Destroyer Squadron TWENTY-EIGHT as the Materiel and Logistics Officer. He served as Executive Officer and Commanding Officer of USS ROOSEVELT (DDG 80) and Deputy Commodore and Commodore for Destroyer Squadron ONE.

Clark's shore duty assignments include Flag Aide to Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Europe and Africa and Commander, Allied Joint Force Command Naples, OPNAV N96 as Destroyers Branch Head, Deputy Executive Assistant to the Vice Chief of Naval Operations, Commanding Officer of Afloat Training Group Mayport, Deputy Director, 21st Century Sailor Office (OPNAV N17) and Executive Assistant to Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet.

Clark's personal awards include the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, the 2003-2004 Commander, Naval Surface Force Leadership Award and the 2021 Stars and Stripes BEYA Award.

Rear Admiral Clark reported as the Director, Navy Culture and Force Resilience Office (N17) in May 2024.



United States Navy Biography

REAR ADMIRAL JORGE R. CUADROS **Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command** **Atlantic/Director, Fleet Installations and Environmental** **Division (N46), U.S. Fleet Forces Command/Fleet Civil** **Engineer (N01CE), U.S. Fleet Forces Command**

Rear Adm. Jorge Cuadros is a native of Bogota, Colombia. He enlisted in the Navy in 1991 and was commissioned as a Naval Officer in 1996 through Officer Candidate School in Pensacola, FL. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Pontificia Universidad Javeriana and a Master of Science in Civil and Environmental Engineering from Stanford University. He is also a graduate of Harvard University's Kennedy School Senior Executive Fellows Program.

Cuadros' operational tours include commanding officer, Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 11; operations officer 22nd/25th Naval Construction Regiments and Naval Construction Group 2; operations officer for NMCB 7; and Air Detachment officer in charge of NMCB 7, Gulfport, Mississippi.

His shore assignments include chief of staff for Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command (NAVFAC) Headquarters; commanding officer, NAVFAC Southeast and regional engineer for Navy Region Southeast; executive officer, NAVFAC Europe, Africa, Central; staff civil engineer and legislative liaison for the Department of the Navy Office of Legislative Affairs, Washington, DC; director of Facilities Engineering and Acquisition Division for Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam; Resident Officer in Charge of Construction for Naval Station Mayport, Florida; aide to Commander Naval Forces, Marianas and IndoPacific Command Representative Guam Area; and assistant site team leader at Public Works Center, San Diego, California.

As an enlisted member, he served with Construction Battalion Unit 414 in Groton, Connecticut and NMCB 7.

Cuadros is currently serving as commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command, Atlantic as well as Fleet Civil Engineer and director, Fleet Installations and Environment, U.S. Fleet Forces Command.

Cuadros is a registered Professional Engineer in the state of Florida, a member of the Acquisition Professional Community, and qualified as a Seabee Combat Warfare officer.

His decorations include personal, service and unit awards including the Facilities Engineering Command Best-of-Type, two Joint Meritorious Unit Awards, the Navy Unit Commendation, two Meritorious Unit Commendations, three Battle Efficiencies and a Peltier Award.



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Brigadier General Troy M. Denomy

Program Executive Officer Soldier



Brigadier General Troy M. Denomy was commissioned as an Infantry Officer in 1996 and was first assigned to 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) at Ft. Campbell, KY. In 2000, Brigadier General Denomy was assigned to 1st Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division and served in various Brigade and Battalion staff positions, then commanded C Company, 2nd Battalion (Mechanized), 5th Cavalry Regiment, which included a deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom II.

In 2005, Brigadier General Denomy transitioned to the Army Acquisition Corps. His acquisition assignments include: Assistant Product Manager to the Joint Product Manager, Biological Detection Systems at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, MD; Department of the Army Systems Coordinator for Chemical and Biological Defense systems and for the PATRIOT system, the Missile Segment Enhancement Interceptor and the Medium Extended Air Defense System, Pentagon; Deputy Product Manager for the Tactical Application Group, Acquisition & Engineering Office, Mission Integration Directorate at the National Reconnaissance Office, Chantilly, VA; and Product Manager for the Bradley Fighting Vehicle in Program Executive Office, Ground Combat Systems in Warren, MI, Executive Officer to the Principal Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology). Brigadier General Denomy assumed the position of PEO Soldier's Project Manager Soldier Warrior in August 2018 and integrated Project Manager Integrated Visual Augmentation System as the organizations merged in December 2020. Before assuming his current role as Program Executive Officer Soldier, BG Denomy completed two years as the Director of Integration at Army Futures Command.

Brigadier General Denomy holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wofford College, a Master of Science degree from George Washington University and a Masters in Security Studies from the US Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, PA. His operational experience includes one deployment to Bosnia-Herzegovina and one deployment to Iraq.

Brigadier General Denomy is married to the former Gina Kowulich of Elmira, New York. They have been married for 24 years. Troy and Gina have two children (Merrick (21) and Luke (17)). Merrick is a Senior at the University of Virginia and Luke is a Senior at Kettle Run High School.



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BRIGADIER GENERAL LINDSAY C. DROZ

Brig. Gen. Lindsay C. Droz is the Commander of the Oklahoma City Air Logistics Complex, Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma. She leads a team of more than 9,000 military and civilian professionals delivering combat power for America. The complex performs programmed depot maintenance and modifications on KC-46, KC-135, B-1B, B-52, E-3 and Navy E-6 aircraft, as well as maintenance, repair and overhaul for F100, F101, F108, F110, F117, F118, F119, F135 and TF33 engines, and a wide variety of commodities for the Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and foreign military sales partners. She is responsible for the development and sustainment of a diverse portfolio of worldwide mission critical aircraft battle damage repair capability for multiple weapon systems.

Droz commissioned in 1998 after graduating from the U.S. Air Force Academy as a distinguished graduate. She has led operational maintenance on the F-16, F-117, F-15E, C-130, EC-13H, and MQ-9 aircraft weapons systems. She deployed worldwide in support of Operations Northern Watch, Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom. Droz has commanded at the squadron, group, and wing levels, as well as served in key staff positions on two Air Force major command staffs and the Joint Staff.



Prior to her current assignment, she was Director of Logistics, Civil Engineering, Force Protection, and Nuclear Integration, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

EDUCATION

- 1998 Bachelor of Science in Behavioral Sciences, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 1999 Aircraft Maintenance Officer's Course, Sheppard AFB, Texas
- 2004 U.S. Air Force Advanced Maintenance and Munitions Officer School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
- 2004 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2008 Master of Science in Aviation and Aerospace Management, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Fla.
- 2009 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2012 Master of Science in National Security Studies, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.
- 2013 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2015 Master of Science in National Security Strategy, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 2020 Aviation Industrial Readiness Program, Institute for Defense and Business
- 2021 Leading Strategically, Center for Creative Leadership

ASSIGNMENTS

1. May 1998–April 1999, Aerospace Ground Equipment Flight Commander, 20th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, Shaw AFB, S.C.
2. April 1999–January 2000, Propulsion Flight Commander, 20th Component Repair Squadron, Shaw AFB, S.C.
3. January 2000–March 2001, Sortie Support Flight Commander, 55th Fighter Squadron, Shaw AFB, S.C.





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4. March 2001–October 2002, Sortie Support and Sortie Generation Flight Commander, 8th Fighter Squadron, Holloman AFB, N.M.
5. October 2002–January 2004, Officer in Charge, 8th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, 49th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Holloman AFB, N.M.
6. January 2004–April 2004, Student, Air Force Advanced Maintenance and Munitions Officer School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
7. April 2004–January 2006, Officer in Charge, 421st Aircraft Maintenance Unit, 388th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Hill AFB, Utah
8. January 2006–January 2007, Maintenance Operations Flight Commander, 388th Maintenance Operations Squadron, Hill AFB, Utah
9. January 2007–August 2009, Deputy Chief and Chief, Propulsion Branch, Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va.
10. August 2009–December 2010, Special Action Officer to the Commander and Deputy Director, Commander's Action Group, Headquarters Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va.
11. December 2010–July 2012, Student, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.
12. July 2012–August 2014, Commander, 4th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
13. August 2014–June 2015, Student, National War College, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
14. June 2015–May 2018, Politico-Military Affairs Officer, Joint Staff/J5, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
15. May 2018–June 2019, Commander, 386th Expeditionary Maintenance Group, Ali Al Salem Air Base, Kuwait
16. June 2019–June 2021, Commander, 402nd Aircraft Maintenance Group, Robins AFB, Ga.
17. June 2021–July 2023, Commander, 78th Air Base Wing, Robins AFB, Georgia
18. July 2023–July 2024, Director of Staff, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
19. July 2024–June 2025, Director of Logistics, Civil Engineering, Force Protection and Nuclear Integration, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
20. July 2025–Present, Commander, Oklahoma City Air Logistics Complex, Tinker AFB, Okla.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 2015–May 2018, Politico–Military Affairs Officer, Joint Staff/J5, Pentagon, Washington, D.C., as a Lieutenant Colonel

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 27, 1998

First Lieutenant May 27, 2000

Captain May 27, 2002

Major Sept. 1, 2007

Lieutenant Colonel Dec. 1, 2011

Colonel April 1, 2018

Brigadier General May 2, 2025

(Current as of July 2025)





BG Joseph Escandon

Deputy Commanding General I Corps, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA



Brigadier General Joseph Escandon is the Deputy Commanding General of I Corps at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA. A native of Tucson, Arizona, he enlisted in the Army in 1988 and served four years as an infantryman. Brigadier General Escandon graduated from the University of Arizona and was commissioned through the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps as an infantry officer in 1996.

Brigadier General Escandon has served in every division in the XVIII Airborne Corps, to include commanding at the company, battalion, and brigade level. He also served as the Aide-de-Camp to the Commanding General V Corps / Commander of the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) Joint Command in Afghanistan, Director of the Army Campaign Plan, Executive Officer to the Army G-3/5/7, and as the Commander of the U.S. Army Joint Modernization Command. While Commander of JMC, Brigadier General Escandon led the organization through the execution of Project Convergence 22 and multiple other persistent experimentation events.

As a General Officer, Brigadier General Escandon served as the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7 at U.S. Army Futures Command in Austin, TX, and Deputy Commanding General (Operations), 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry) at Fort Drum, NY. This assignment included the establishment of Joint Task Force-Southern Border.

Brigadier General Escandon holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in History from the University of Arizona, a Master of Public Administration from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government, two Master of Military Art and Science degrees from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and a Master of Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.

Brigadier General Escandon's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit with 4 bronze oak leaf clusters, Bronze Star Medal with 3 bronze oak leaf clusters, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal with 1 bronze oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with 4 bronze oak leaf clusters, the Army Commendation Medal with silver oak leaf cluster, the Joint Services Achievement Medal, the Army Achievement Medal with 2 bronze oak leaf clusters, the Master Combat Infantryman Badge, Ranger Tab, Senior Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Air Assault Badge, Army Staff Identification Badge, and the German Parachutist Badge.

Brigadier General Escandon is married and has one son.

Rear Admiral (lower half) Daniel W. Ettlich

Director, Fleet Maintenance, N43, U.S. Pacific Fleet



Rear Admiral Daniel Ettlich is a native of Cameron Park, California and a 1994 graduate of the University of San Diego with a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering and earned his commission through Officer Candidate School. He also holds master's degrees from the University of Arizona in Business Administration and from the Naval Postgraduate School in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science.

At sea, he served as a division officer onboard USS Alaska (SSBN 732 Blue) and as material officer at Commander, Submarine Squadron Eleven.

Following selection as an engineering duty officer, Ettlich served as a docking officer and project officer at Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility; planning officer at the Trident Refit Facility in Bangor, WA; deputy director of submarine safety at the Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA); business and strategic planning officer and operations officer at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility; and military deputy for shipyard operations at NAVSEA.

Ettlich was selected as the 86th commander of Portsmouth Naval Shipyard where the command earned the Department of Defense Robert T. Mason Award for Excellence in Depot Maintenance. Ettlich reported as the director, Fleet Maintenance, U.S. Pacific Fleet in February 2022, where he is currently serving.

Throughout his career, he was a member of teams that earned the Presidential Unit Commendation, Meritorious Unit Commendation and various campaign awards.

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



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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL PAUL G. "PAUL" FILCEK

Brigadier General Paul G. Filcek is the Commander, 82nd Training Wing and Installation Commander, Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas. He is responsible for the training of more than 65,000 officers and enlisted Air Force, Army, Navy, Marine Corps and international students annually at Sheppard AFB and 63 geographically separated units worldwide. The 82nd Training Wing produces nearly half of all Air Force technical training graduates every year, delivering instruction in aircraft and munitions maintenance, logistics, civil engineering, nuclear operations, and telecommunications career fields. The wing consists of three training groups, a mission support group and a medical group, while providing base support services to the 80th Flying Training Wing's Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training program and a Noncommissioned Officer Academy. A former master sergeant, Brigadier General Filcek earned his commission from Officer Training School in 1997 after more than 12 years of service in five assignments maintaining four types of aircraft. His total maintenance, programming, and command experience spans seven major commands and includes 24 unique aircraft types. Having previously commanded an installation (72d Air Base Wing), he has also served as Deputy Commander of the Air Force District of Washington, commanded a maintenance group and the Presidential Logistics Squadron (Air Force One), served on the Air Mobility Command staff, Air Staff and Space Staff, and served as Vice Commander of the largest Air Logistics Complex (depot) in the Air Force. Prior to his current assignment, Brigadier General Filcek was the Director of Space Force Mission Sustainment, Headquarters U.S. Space Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.



EDUCATION

1995 Associates of Applied Science, Aircraft Maintenance Technology, Community College of the Air Force
1996 Bachelor of Arts in Occupational Education, Wayland Baptist University, Waco, TX
2001 Master of Science (Distinguished Graduate) in Logistics Management, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
2002 Squadron Officers School (Distinguished Graduate), Maxwell AFB, AL
2002 Air Education and Training Command TORCH LOOK, Randolph AFB, TX
2003 Level I Certification in Program Management, Fort Belvoir, VA
2003 Level I Certification in Acquisition Logistics, Fort Belvoir, VA
2006 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence
2008 Graduate, In-Residence Intermediate Developmental Education Equivalency, Air Force Institute of Technology
2010 DARPA Service Chiefs Program Fellow, Arlington, VA
2011 Air War College by correspondence
2016 National War College, Ft McNair, Washington, D.C.
2016 Master of Science in National Strategy, National Defense University, Ft McNair, Washington, D.C.

ASSIGNMENTS OR CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1. February 1997 – August 1999, Fabrication Flight Commander, 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron; Sortie Support Flight Commander, Sortie Generation Flight Commander, 42d Airborne Command and Control Squadron, Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ
2. August 1999 – March 2001, Graduate Student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
3. March 2001 – August 2004, Operational Support Aircraft Program Manager, Division Executive Officer, Executive Officer to the Director, Air Mobility Command Directorate of Plans and Programs, Scott AFB, IL





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4. August 2004 – June 2007, Aircraft Maintenance Unit Officer in Charge, Maintenance Squadron
Operations Officer, Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Operations Officer, Charleston AFB, SC
5. June 2007 – June 2008, Operations Officer, Presidential Logistics Squadron, Andrews AFB, MD
6. June 2008 – June 2011, Commander, Presidential Logistics Squadron, Andrews AFB, MD
7. June 2011 – July 2013, Chief of Logistics Panel Efficiencies, Chief of Air Force Spares Program and the Spares
Requirements Review Board, HQ AF/A4/7, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
8. July 2013 – July 2015, Deputy Commander, 60th Maintenance Group, Travis AFB, CA
9. July 2015 – June 2016, Graduate Student, National War College, Ft McNair, Washington, D.C.
10. July 2016 – July 2018, Commander, 86th Maintenance Group, Ramstein AB, Germany
11. July 2018 – June 2019, Vice Commander, Oklahoma City Air Logistics Complex, Tinker AFB, OK
12. June 2019 – June 2021, Commander, 72d Air Base Wing, Tinker AFB, OK
13. June 2021 – August 2022, Deputy Commander, Air Force District of Washington, Joint Base Andrews, MD.
14. August 2022 – June 2024, Director, Space Force Mission Sustainment, HQ Space Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
15. June 2024 - present, Commander, 82nd Training Wing, Sheppard AFB, TX

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with five oak leaf clusters
Air and Space Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Joint Meritorious Unit Award
Meritorious Unit Award
Air and Space Outstanding Unit Award with nine oak leaf clusters
National Defense Service Medal with service star
Southwest Asia Service Medal with two service stars
Kosovo Campaign Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Korea Defense Service Medal
Armed Forces Service Medal
Air and Space Expeditionary Service Ribbon with gold border
NATO Medal
Kuwait Liberation Medal, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Kuwait Liberation Medal, Government of Kuwait

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2001 National Defense Industrial Association Louis F. Polk Award (AFIT)
2005 Air Mobility Command Safety Officer of the Year Award
2005 Air Mobility Command Daedalian Trophy nomination to Air Force
2005 Air Force Maintenance Effectiveness Award
2006 Air Mobility Command Lance P. Sijan Award
2006 Air Force NDI Lab of the Year Award
2006 Secretary of Defense Maintenance Award
2013 Air Force Large Terminal of the Year Award
2013 Air Force Daedalian Trophy
2015 US Air Forces Europe Maintenance Effectiveness Award
2016 US Air Forces Europe Maintenance Effectiveness Award
2019 Air Force Maintenance Effectiveness Award

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant	February 7, 1997
First Lieutenant	February 7, 1999
Captain	February 7, 2001
Major	September 1, 2006





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Lieutenant Colonel	December 1, 2010
Colonel	May 1, 2016
Brigadier General	October 30, 2024

(Current as of October 2024)



335TH SIGNAL COMMAND (THEATER)

Brigadier General Hamilton is the 335th Signal Command (Theater) Deputy Commanding General for the Cyber Reserve force. She oversees the planning, coordination, and synchronization necessary to ensure that Reserve cyber forces are fully resourced for training and seamlessly integrated into U.S. Army Cyber Command (ARCYBER) and U.S. Cyber Command (CYBERCOM) campaign and operational plans.

Commissioned through the Army ROTC program at Norwich University Military College of Vermont in 1996, BG Hamilton has built a distinguished career through a variety of challenging assignments in both active duty and reserve components. Her early active duty assignments with the 11th Signal Brigade at Fort Huachuca, AZ, included roles as an Executive Officer, Transmission Platoon Leader, Assistant Battalion S3, and Brigade S3 Training Officer. She later commanded the 1st Satellite Control Battalion at Schriever AFB, Colorado, and served as the U.S. Army Pacific Command (USARPAC) G6 Plans and Exercise Officer. In 2006, BG Hamilton deployed as the J6, Director of Communications, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, Joint Special Operations Task Force-Philippines.

Transitioning to the U.S. Army Reserve in 2007, BG Hamilton continued to excel in her signal career field, serving as the G3 Plans and Exercise Officer with the 311th Theater Signal Command at Fort Meade, Maryland. In 2009, she broadened her experience, serving as the 2-398th Cavalry Squadron S3 Operations Officer in Madisonville, Kentucky. She further contributed to the development of future leaders by teaching intermediate level education for the Army Reserve at the Citadel in Charleston, South Carolina. BG Hamilton then commanded the 2-337th Tactical Support Battalion, 157th Infantry Brigade, in Waterford, Michigan. Following her command assignment, she served as the Joint Planner and Chief of Land Operations in the Joint Enabling Capabilities Command, U.S. Transportation Command (USTRANSCOM), mobilizing to support U.S. Army Northern Command's Southwest Border Mission in San Antonio, TX. Before assuming her current role, BG Hamilton commanded the 207th Digital Liaison Detachment at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and served as the Deputy Commander of the Joint Enabling Capabilities Command, USTRANSCOM from July 2022 to July 2025, integrating Joint Active, Reserve, and Air National Guard personnel to support Combatant Commands.

BG Hamilton holds a B.S. Degree in Electrical Engineering, an M.S. Degree in Information Technology Management from Webster University, and an M.S. Degree in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College. Her military education includes the Joint Forces Combined Warfare School, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, the Combined Arms Services Staff School, and the Signal Captains Basic and Advanced courses. Her decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Meritorious Service Medal (four awards), the Joint Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal (four awards), and the Army Achievement Medal (five awards).

BG Hamilton is married to LTC (Ret.) Robert Hamilton and they are the proud parents of four daughters: Jensen (30), Bailey (29), Natalie (21), and Danielle (17).



Brig. Gen. Kimberly Hamilton

Deputy Commanding

General— Cyber

MISSION:

The 335th Signal Command (Theater) provides C5 in direct support of Combatant Commanders through the delivery and defense of the Army's portion of the DODIN and enable information dominance in Multi Domain Operations; additionally provides multi-functional planners to the Joint Force.



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Northwestern Division

Brigadier General William C. Hannan, Jr. Division Commander



Brigadier General William C. “Bill” Hannan, Jr. assumed command of the Northwestern Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), on June 28, 2024.

The Northwestern Division is headquartered in Portland Oregon and delivers vital engineering solutions covering over 1 million square miles and parts of 16 states. As division commander, he is responsible for providing guidance and direction to five districts with a combined professional workforce of nearly 5,800. The division’s civil works mission provides planning, construction, operation of navigation structures, flood risk reduction, hydropower, environmental restoration, water management, recreation, and disaster response. Its military mission includes some of the Nation’s most strategic bases and involves design and construction of operations buildings, airfields, barracks, hospitals, command headquarters and multiple other types of facilities directly improving lethality, readiness and quality of life.

Prior to his arrival at Northwestern Division, Hannan commanded USACE’s Transatlantic Division and led its program delivering innovative design, construction, engineering, and contingency solutions in support of U.S. Central Command, U.S. Special Operations, and other global partners. He has served at various locations throughout Europe, Asia-Pacific, and the Middle East, including two deployments to Afghanistan and two to Iraq. Other key assignments include Chief of the Office of Security Cooperation – Iraq (OSC-I), Commander of USACE’s Kansas City District, Director of Academic Operations of the US Army War College, Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army Engineer School, Commander, 35th Engineer Battalion, Chief of Engineer Engagements for the Deputy Chief of Staff - Engineer, U.S. Army Pacific, and Commander 565th Forward Engineer Support Team – Advance.

A native of Ohio, Hannan, was commissioned in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1997 after graduating from The Ohio State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering. He also holds master’s degrees in engineering management from the Missouri University of Science and Technology and in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.

Hannan’s awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Combat Action Badge, Ranger Tab, Sapper Tab, Master Parachutist Badge, and the Silver de Fleury Medal.



Rear Admiral Liam M. Hulin

Deputy Director of Operations, United States Central Command



Rear Admiral Liam M. Hulin grew up abroad in England, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Scotland, the United Arab Emirates, and Austria. He graduated the United States Naval Academy in 1996 where he studied Mechanical Engineering, minored in French and was captain of the Boxing Team. He holds a Master of Business Administration from Webster University and a Master of International Affairs from the University of California San Diego. He is a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and the Defense Language Institute for Arabic Studies. He began his career as a SEAL after completing Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL training class 209 and U.S. Army Ranger School in 1997.

His operational assignments include duty as an Assistant Platoon Commander with SEAL Team THREE and Platoon Commander tours with EOD Group ONE's Very Shallow Water Mine Countermeasures Detachment and Plank Owner at SEAL Team SEVEN. At Naval Special Warfare Development Group, he served in TACDEVRON TWO as a Troop Commander, Operations Officer, and Executive Officer before serving as the TACDEVRON THREE Commanding Officer. He served as Deputy Commander for Naval Special Warfare Development Group, Deputy Commodore for Naval Special Warfare Group ONE and as the Commander of Naval Special Warfare Development Group.

Ashore, he served as the Commanding Officer for Naval Special Warfare Basic Training Command. His staff assignments include serving as the Executive Officer to the Commander of JSOC. He has served as a Special Assistant to the Naval Special Warfare Commander and as the Executive Officer to the Commander of USSOCOM. In his current assignment, he serves as the Deputy Director of Operations for U.S. Central Command.



United States Navy Biography

Rear Admiral Marcos “DB” Jasso Deputy Director, Strategy, Plans and Policy (DJ5), U. S. Space Command

Rear Admiral Marcos Jasso was born in Tokyo, Japan (Yokota Air Base) and raised in Tucson, Arizona, as the son of a U.S. Air Force Tech Sergeant. At 17, he took the Oath of Enlistment and entered the Navy’s Delayed Entry Program. Beginning his career as an enlisted Sailor, he quickly earned his submarine warfare qualification and advanced to first class petty officer (E-6) as a Sonar Technician (STS1(SS)). Rear Adm. Jasso was commissioned as an Ensign through Officer Candidate School, NAS Pensacola, FL in 1997.



Rear Adm. Jasso's operational command tours include the Commanding Officer of VFA-41 Black Aces (F/A-18F Squadron) and Commander, Carrier Air Wing THREE (CAG CVW-3/Battle Axe). He also served in operational squadrons VF-41 (F-14A Tomcat Squadron), VFA-22 Redcocks and VFA-154 Black Knights. During these operational assignments he completed multiple deployments aboard USS Enterprise (CVN-65), USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN-69), USS John C. Stennis (CVN-74), and USS Ronald Reagan (CVN-76), supporting Operations Southern Watch, Enduring Freedom, Inherent Resolve, Freedom’s Sentinel, and multiple Western Pacific security and presence deployments. Under Rear Adm. Jasso’s leadership as CAG, the Battle Axe Air Wing and the "IKE" team were awarded the prestigious Commander, Naval Air Forces' (CNAF) RAMAGE AWARD as the best combat team across all CVW/CVN teams on the East and West Coasts or Forward Deployed Naval Forces.

Rear Adm. Jasso shore assignments include Instructor Duty with VFA-122 Flying Eagles, Operational Flight Test Engineer with VX-9 Vampires at Detachment Nellis AFB, and studies at the Naval War College. His staff assignments include the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) in Chantilly, VA and qualified as navy Space Cadre officer; Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Washington DC, as the Hornet Requirements Officer and Special Programs Branch Head for the Air Warfare Division (OPNAV N98); and as Director of Operations (N3) for the Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet.

Throughout his career, Rear Adm. Jasso has worked alongside the Navy's finest Sailors, resulting in numerous personal awards and recognitions, including the William J. Dey Junior Officer Leadership Award, F/A-18 E/F Super Hornet Instructor of the Year, Admiral Wesley L. McDonald Leadership Award for Strike Fighter Wing Pacific, NRO Field Grade Officer of the Year, Mission Integration Directorate, and the CNAF's Navy and Marine Corps Association Peer Leadership Award on multiple occasions. Additionally, he was the Tailhooker of the Year (2021) selected by the Tailhook Association, Board of Directors. Rear Adm. Jasso is graduate of the U.S. Navy Fighter Weapons School (TOPGUN) and holds a Bachelor of Science in Professional Aeronautics from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and a Master’s in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College.

Rear Adm. Jasso assumed duties as the Deputy Director, Strategy, Plans, and Policy (DJ5) for U.S. Space Command in July 2024.



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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHAPLAIN, BRIGADIER GENERAL DAVID W. KELLEY

Chaplain, Brig Gen David W. Kelley is the Deputy Chief of Chaplains, Department of the Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. As a member of the special staff of the Chief of Staff of the Air Force and Chief of Staff of Space Operations, he assists the Chief of Chaplains in establishing guidance on all matters pertaining to the religious and moral welfare of Air and Space Force personnel and their dependents. Chaplain Kelley directs and maintains a trained, equipped, and professional Chaplain Corps of approximately 2,200 chaplains and religious affairs Airmen from the active duty and Air Reserve components. As a member of the Armed Forces Chaplain Board, he and other members advise the Secretary of Defense and the Joint Chiefs of Staff on religious, ethical, and quality-of-life concerns.

Chaplain Kelley, in addition to pastoring for 12 years, served in the U.S. Army as a chaplain assistant (Light Infantry) and the Virginia National Guard (Army and Air). He entered the ordained ministry in 1991 and is endorsed by the North American Mission Board. Chaplain Kelley was commissioned in April 1998 and entered active duty in January 2004. He has served at the Wing, Command, and Joint Staff levels. Prior to his current assignment, Chaplain Kelley served as the Director, Strategic Religious Affairs, Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, VA.



EDUCATION

- 1987 U.S. Army Basic Training, Fort Dix, N.J.
- 1987 U.S. Army Chaplain Assistant Orientation Course, Fort Monmouth, N.J.
- 1989 Bachelor of Science, Christian Education, Cum Laude, Liberty University, Lynchburg, Va.
- 1991 Master of Arts in Religion, Summa Cum Laude, Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, Va.
- 1992 U.S. Army Primary Leadership Development Course, Ft Pickett, Va.
- 1995 U.S. Army Basic Non-Commissioned Officer Course, Ft Indiantown Gap, Pa.
- 1998 Commissioned Officer Training, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 1999 Orientation Chaplain Course, Chaplain Service Institute, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2001 Squadron Officer School, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence and residence
- 2002 Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Marine Corps Base Quantico, Quantico, Va., by correspondence
- 2006 Doctor of Ministry, Leadership, Liberty Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, Va.
- 2007 Intermediate Chaplain Course, Chaplain Service Institute, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2009 Air Command and Staff College, AU, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2010 Wing Chaplain Course, AFCCC, Ft Jackson, S.C.
- 2011 Army Command and General Staff College, Ft Leavenworth, Kan., by correspondence
- 2011 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, AU, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2012 Master of Theology, Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, Va.
- 2014 Air War College, AU, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2017 Master of Strategic Studies, Air War College, AU, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2017 Master of Strategic Studies, Army War College, Department of Distance Education, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.
- 2018 Senior Chaplain Course, AFCCC, Maxwell AFB, Ala.





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ASSIGNMENTS

1. February 1987 – February 1990, Chaplain Assistant, U.S. Army, 7th Infantry Division (L), Ft Ord, Calif.
2. March 1990 – April 1998, Chaplain Assistant, Virginia Army National Guard, HQ 1st Brigade, 29th Infantry Division (L), Staunton, Va.
3. April 1998 – January 2004, Protestant Chaplain, Virginia Air National Guard, 192d Fighter Wing, Sandston, Va. (April-June 2002, Chaplain, 363rd Air Expeditionary Wing, Prince Sultan Air Base, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; June-October 2002, Chaplain, Air National Guard Crisis Action Team (CAT), Andrews AFB, Md.; October 2002-August 2003, Staff Chaplain, HQ ACC/HC (CAT), Langley AFB, Va.; August 2003-January 2004, Staff Chaplain, HQ CENTCOM/HC, MacDill AFB, Fla.--forward deployed to Joint Operations Center, Operations Chaplain, Camp Victory, Combined Joint Task Force-7, Baghdad, Iraq & Camp As-Sayliyah, Qatar)
4. January 2004 – July 2006, Protestant Chaplain, 4th Fighter Wing, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C. (September 2005–February 2006, Chaplain, 407th Air Expeditionary Group, Ali AB, Iraq)
5. July 2006 – July 2008, Chaplain Service Officer, Chaplain Corps Expeditionary Readiness Training Center, 99th Ground Combat Training Squadron, Creech AFB, Nev.
6. July 2008 – July 2010, Wing Chaplain, 432d Wing and 432d AEW, Creech AFB, Nev.
7. August 2010 – June 2011, Student, Air Command & Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
8. June 2011 – June 2012, Staff Chaplain, Resource Division, AFCCC, Ft Jackson, S.C.
9. July 2012 – April 2013, Chair, Department of Chaplain Corps Leadership, AFCCC, Ft Jackson, S.C.
10. April 2013 – August 2014, Branch Chief, Department of Chaplain Corps Leadership, AFCCC, Ft Jackson, S.C.
11. August 2014 – July 2016, Wing Chaplain, 20th Fighter Wing, Shaw AFB, S.C. (October 2015–April 2016, Wing Chaplain, 455th AEW, Bagram AB, Afghanistan)
12. July 2016 – May 2017, Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
13. June 2017 – May 2019, Deputy Command Chaplain, Pacific Air Forces, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii
14. June 2019 – July 2020, Command Chaplain, United Air Forces Central (AFCENT), Al Udeid AB, Qatar
15. July 2020 – June 2023, Command Chaplain, Air Force Global Strike Command, Barksdale AFB, La.
16. June 2023 – July 2024, Director, Strategic Religious Affairs, Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Pentagon, Washington DC.
17. July 2024 – present, Deputy Chief of Chaplains, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, VA.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal with silver and three oak leaf clusters

Virginia National Guard Bronze Star

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

First Lieutenant 5 April 1998

Captain 18 April 1999

Major 1 March 2009

Lieutenant Colonel 1 July 2014

Colonel 1 June 2019

Brigadier General 9 August 2024

(Current as of September 2024)





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL JASON J. LENNEN

Brig. Gen. Jason Lennen is Director of Policy and Resources at the Office of the Surgeon General, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Falls Church, Virginia. His directorate is responsible for the development and execution of Air Force Medical Service policy, plans, budgets, and programs for the delivery of comprehensive operational healthcare and health service support to Department of the Air Force missions by 43,000 active-duty officer, enlisted, and civilian medical personnel at 76 installations with a budget of more than \$6.2 billion. Additionally, Brig. Gen. Lennen is responsible for personnel policy, force development and staffing requirements, as well as Air Force medical education and training worldwide.

Brig. Gen. Lennen is also the Chief of the Air Force Biomedical Sciences Corps, serving as a senior advisor to the Air Force Surgeon General and leading the development, management, and sustainment of 2,300 officers to provide Air Force capabilities in 13 professions: Audiologist, Bioenvironmental Engineer, Biomedical Laboratory Officer, Clinical Psychologist, Clinical Social Worker, Dietitian, Occupational Therapist, Optometrist, Pharmacist, Physical Therapist, Physician Assistant, Podiatric Surgeon, and Public Health Officer.



Brig. Gen. Lennen received a direct commission as a second lieutenant and entered the U.S. Air Force in August 1998. He has been assigned to clinic, ambulatory surgery center, hospital, and medical center locations in a variety of student, staff, instructor, and leadership positions. The general is a licensed pharmacist and Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist that has held clinical privileges in both inpatient and outpatient settings. He has deployed twice in support of Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM, served in five headquarters staff positions, and commanded a medical operations squadron and two medical groups. Prior to his current position, Brig. Gen. Lennen was the Command Surgeon for the Air Force District of Washington, headquartered at Joint Base Andrews in Maryland.

EDUCATION

- 1998 Bachelor of Science, Pharmacy, Albany College of Pharmacy, Albany, New York
- 1999 Aerospace Basic Course, Maxwell Air Force Base (AFB), Alabama
- 2001 Master of Business Administration, Webster University, Saint Louis, Missouri (Bolling AFB, DC campus)
- 2002 Squadron Officer School, by correspondence
- 2002 Air Mobility Command High Flight, Scott AFB, Illinois
- 2003 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
- 2005 Doctor of Pharmacy, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana
- 2007 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence
- 2009 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
- 2010 Intermediate Executive Skills Course, San Antonio, Texas
- 2012 Air War College, by correspondence
- 2015 Master of Strategic Studies, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
- 2016 Interagency Institute for Federal Health Care Executives, Bethesda, Maryland
- 2017 Combined Senior Leadership Course, Falls Church, Virginia
- 2018 Capstone Course for Military Health System Leaders, Falls Church, Virginia
- 2022 Leading Strategically Course, Center for Creative Leadership, Colorado Springs, Colorado
- 2022 Medical Strategic Leadership Program, U.S. Army Medical Center of Excellence, San Antonio, Texas
- 2024 Senior Leader Orientation Course, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland



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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

1. August 1998 – August 2000 Staff Pharmacist, 89th Medical Group, Andrews AFB, Maryland
2. August 2000 – June 2002 Pharmacy Element Chief, 62d Medical Group, McChord AFB, Washington
3. June 2002 – August 2003 Diagnostics & Therapeutics Flight Commander, 62d Medical Group, McChord AFB, Washington
4. August 2003 – May 2005 Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) Student (AFIT), Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana
5. May 2005 – July 2007 Clinical Pharmacy Practice Element Leader, 59th Medical Wing, Lackland AFB, Texas
(January 2007 – May 2007, Pharmacy Officer-in-Charge, 379th Expeditionary Medical Group, Southwest Asia)
6. July 2007 – August 2008 Pharmacy Residency Director & Pharmacotherapy Element Chief, 59th Medical Wing, Lackland AFB, Texas
7. August 2008 – July 2009 Intermediate Developmental Education Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
8. July 2009 – July 2012 Pharmacy Flight Commander & Biomedical Sciences Corps Executive, 35th Medical Group, Misawa Air Base, Japan
(December 2011 – June 2012, Pharmacy Consultant & Division Pharmacist, Regional Command-East/Combined Joint Task Force-1, Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan)
9. August 2012 – June 2013 Commander, 92d Medical Operations Squadron, Fairchild AFB, Washington
10. June 2013 – June 2014 Commander, 92d Medical Operations Squadron & Deputy Commander, 92d Medical Group, Fairchild AFB, Washington
11. July 2014 – June 2015 Senior Developmental Education Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
12. July 2015 – July 2016 Pharmacy Division Chief, Air Force Medical Operations Agency, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas
13. July 2016 – August 2017 Executive Officer to the Air Force Surgeon General, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, District of Columbia
14. August 2017 – June 2018 Air Force Surgeon General's Special Assistant for National Defense Authorization Act Activities, Defense Health Headquarters, Falls Church, Virginia
15. June 2018 – June 2020 Commander, 87th Medical Group, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey
16. July 2020 – July 2022 Commander and Director, 316th Medical Group, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland
17. August 2022 – February 2024 Command Surgeon, Air Force District of Washington, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland
18. March 2024 – July 2024 Command Surgeon, Air Force District of Washington & Chief, Air Force Biomedical Sciences Corps, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland
19. July 2024 – Present Director of Policy and Resources, Office of the Surgeon General & Chief, Air Force Biomedical Sciences Corps, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Falls Church, Virginia

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal
Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters
Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal
Air Force Recognition Ribbon

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant	June 25, 1997
First Lieutenant	June 25, 1999
Captain	June 25, 2001
Major	August 1, 2007
Lieutenant Colonel	May 1, 2012
Colonel	February 1, 2019
Brigadier General	May 6, 2024

(Current as of September 2024)





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BRIGADIER GENERAL ROBERT LYONS III

Brig. Gen Bob Lyons serves as the Program Executive Officer for Weapons and Director of the Armament Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Air Force Materiel Command, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida. General Lyons is responsible for the planning and execution of all life cycle activities for air-delivered munitions, including the Advance Medium-Range Air-to-Air Missile, Joint Air-to-Surface Standoff Missile, Long Range Anti-Ship Missile, Joint Direct Attack Munition, Air Dominance Advanced Programs, Hypersonic Weapons, Massive Ordnance Penetrator, and Small Diameter Bomb. The portfolio includes ammunition, combat training systems, threat emitters for test and training purposes, and aerial targets. The Armament Directorate's \$93 billion portfolio delivers weapons capabilities to the US services, allies, and partners.

General Lyons was commissioned as a distinguished graduate from University of Cincinnati's Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps program.

During his career, General Lyons served in the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Office of the Secretary of Defense Acquisition, Technology, & Logistics, Air Force Special Operations Command, the Department of the Air Force Rapid Capabilities Office, and system program offices that field space, aircraft, and other capabilities.

Prior to serving as the Program Executive Officer for Weapons and Director of the Armament Directorate, General Lyons served as the F-35 Air Vehicle Program Manager in the F-35 Joint Program Office, responsible for F-35 development, production, post-production modifications, and operations and sustainment of the F-35 Air Vehicle.



EDUCATION

- 1992 Bachelor of Science, Chemical Engineering, University of Cincinnati, Ohio
- 1997 Master of Science, Chemical Engineering, University of Cincinnati, Ohio
- 2002 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2009 Strategic Policy Intern, Washington D.C.
- 2009 Air Command & Staff College, by correspondence
- 2010 Master of Airpower Arts & Science, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2010 School of Advanced Air & Space Studies (SAASS), Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2010 Counterinsurgency Leaders Course, Counterinsurgency Training Center, Afghanistan
- 2016 Air War College Distance Learning, Outstanding Graduate, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2016 National Defense Fellowship, Center for a New American Security, Washington D.C.
- 2017 Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.
- 2025 Executive Program Manager's Course, Fort Belvoir, Va.
- 2025 Senior Acquisition Management Course, Fort Belvoir, Va.





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1998 - August 1999, program manager, Ground Stations, Space-Based Infrared Systems Program Office, Los Angeles AFB Calif.
2. August 1999 - April 2001, program manager, Mission Operations & Integration, Space Based Infrared Systems Program Office, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
3. April 2001 - July 2001, program manager, Satellite Ground Stations, Space Based Infrared Systems Program Office, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
4. July 2001 - June 2002, program manager, Reconnaissance System Program Office, Aeronautical Systems Center, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio
5. June 2002 - August 2004, Chief Special Projects, Reconnaissance System Program Office, Aeronautical Systems Center, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio
6. August 2004 - August 2005, Strategic Policy Intern, Pentagon, Va.
7. August 2005 - August 2007, Chief of Intelligence Reconnaissance, & Surveillance (ISR) projects in Requirements, Plans and Programs Directorate, Headquarters Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
8. August 2007 - May 2008, Deputy Chief Strike Technology, Plans and Programs Directorate, Headquarters Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
9. May 2008 - July 2009, Aide-de-camp to Commander, Air Force Special Operations Command
10. July 2009 - July 2010, student, School of Advanced Air & Space Studies, Maxwell AFB Ala.
11. July 2010 - September 2010, Chief, Training Requirements, J7 Training, United States Forces-Afghanistan, Kabul
12. September 2010 - July 2011, Strategic Planner, J5 Strategic Plans & Programs, United States Forces-Afghanistan, Kabul
13. September 2011 - June 2013, Chief, Operations Support Branch, Air Force Rapid Capabilities Office, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington D.C.
14. June 2013 - July 2015, Materiel Leader, Tactical Combat Systems, Air Force Rapid Capabilities Office, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington D.C.
15. July 2015 - July 2016, National Defense Fellow, Center for a New American Security, Washington D.C.
16. July 2016 - July 2017, Defense Program Analyst, Office of the Secretary of Defense Acquisition Technology & Logistics, Washington D.C.
17. July 2017 - July 2018, Chief, Space, Cyber, Command & Control, Communications & Computers (C4), Joint Staff J8, Washington D.C.
18. July 2018 - June 2022, Senior Materiel Leader, Advanced Combat Systems, Department of the Air Force Rapid Capabilities Office, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington D.C.
19. June 2022 - August 2024, Senior Materiel Leader Upper Echelon, F-35 Air Vehicle, F-35 Joint Program Office, Arlington Va.
20. August 2024 - present, Program Executive Officer for Weapons and Director of the Armament Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Air Force Materiel Command, Eglin AFB, Fla.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 2010 - July 2011, Strategic Planner, United States Force-Afghanistan, Kabul, Afghanistan as a Major
2. July 2016 - July 2017, Defense Program Analyst, Office of the Undersecretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), Washington D.C, as a Lt Colonel
3. July 2017 - July 2018, Chief, Space, Cyber, Command & Control, Communications & Computers (C4), Joint Chiefs of Staff J8, Washington D.C. as a Colonel





MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

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

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant	July 14, 1998
First Lieutenant	July 14, 2000
Captain	July 14, 2002
Major	May 1, 2008
Lieutenant Colonel	December 1, 2011
Colonel	April 1, 2018
Brigadier General	May 23, 2025

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Rear Admiral Brian T. Mutty

Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations, (J3), Joint Force Command Naples



Rear Admiral Mutty is a native of Portsmouth, Virginia and a 1992 graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. He enlisted in the United States Navy in July 1992. In 1995, he was commissioned following Officer Candidate School in Pensacola, Florida.

His first assignment at sea was onboard USS BAINBRIDGE (CGN 25) as a Nuclear-trained Machinists Mate. Subsequent sea duty assignments include USS LABOON (DDG 58), USS AUSTIN (LPD 4), USS COLE (DDG 67) and USS ROSS (DDG 71). He was the first officer on to “fleet up” from Executive Officer to Commanding Officer on USS FITZGERALD (DDG 62). During his tour, USS FITZGERALD won the Battle Effectiveness, Anti-Submarine Warfare Bloodhound and Edward F. Ney Awards, was the DESRON 15 flagship in support of Operation TOMODACHI,

hosted Secretary of State Clinton for the signing of the Manila Declaration and conducted the largest live fire ballistic missile defense test to date. As Commanding Officer on USS ESSEX (LHD 2) his team conducted the first ever combat deployment of the F-35B Joint Strike Fighter. He has deployed to the Mediterranean Sea, Arabian Gulf, Red Sea, Black Sea, Caribbean Sea, North and South Atlantic, and Western Pacific.

Ashore, he earned a Master of Arts Degree in National Security Affairs from the Naval Post Graduate School. He served at OPNAV N86 as a Requirements Officer for the Littoral Combat Ship. While at OPNAV, he volunteered for an Individual Augmentation assignment to support Joint CREW Composite Squadron One in Mosul, Iraq. He followed his OPNAV tour with an assignment as the Chief Plans Policy Branch of the Joint Staff’s J7, Operational War Plans Division. Following his Commander Command tour, he reported

to Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense as the Director Joint Maritime Operations and Chief of Staff. He next served as the Deputy Director, Integrated Air and Missile Defense Division for the Naval Surface and Mine Warfighting Development Center. After Major Command, he was Deputy Director, Military Personnel, Plans and Policy for OPNAV N1 and Executive Assistant to the Chief of Naval Personnel. His last assignment was the Commanding Officer of Surface Warfare Schools Command.

Rear Admiral Mutty's personal decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal and various other personal and unit awards



United States Navy Biography

Rear Admiral Erin P. Osborne **Deputy Director, Political-Military Affairs (Middle East/Africa), J-5, Joint Staff**



Rear Admiral Erin P. Osborne graduated from the University of Notre Dame, where she earned a Bachelor of Science in 1995 and received her commission through the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps. After successfully completing flight training, Rear Admiral Osborne was designated a Naval Aviator in 1997. She is a 2016 graduate of the National War College and holds a Master's degree in National Security Strategy.

Throughout her service, Rear Admiral Osborne fulfilled various operational tours including: Patrol Squadron NINE (VP-9); USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76) serving as the V-2 Division Officer on her maiden deployment to the Arabian Gulf; and Special Projects Patrol Squadron TWO (VPU-2), where she served as the Maintenance Officer and Operations Officer. She has completed 11 deployments to various locations including: Iraq, Afghanistan, Djibouti, Diego Garcia, Japan, Sigonella and the Arabian Gulf in support of Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom.

Command assignments include Patrol Squadron FIVE (VP-5) where she deployed to Kadena, Japan and transitioned the squadron from the P-3C Orion to the P-8A Poseidon; and Commander Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing TEN (CPRW-10) in Whidbey Island, Wa.

Her shore assignments include Patrol Squadron THIRTY (VP-30) as Pilot NATOPS Evaluator; Joint Chiefs of Staff, as the J65A Branch Chief for the Improvised Explosive Device (IED) - Defeat Branch, and representative to Joint IED Defeat Organization (JIEDDO); Executive Assistant to Commander, Naval Air Forces; OPNAV N802 as the Strategic Communications and Alignment Branch Head; Chief of Staff to Commander U.S. Naval Forces Central Command; Maritime Operations Center Director for FIFTH Fleet; Executive Assistant to Director Air Warfare (N98); and Executive Assistant to the Vice Chief of Naval Operations. She assumed the role of Joint Staff, Strategy Plans, and Policy (J5) Deputy Director for Political Military Affairs (Middle East, Africa) in April 2024.

Rear Admiral Osborne has accumulated over 5,000 flight hours. Her decorations include the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal, Navy Commendation Medal and various campaign, unit and service awards.



BRIGADIER GENERAL KRISTIN L. PANZENHAGEN

Brig Gen Kristin L. Panzenhagen is the Military Deputy, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Space Acquisition and Integration, Washington, D.C. She also serves as the Space Force's University Partnership Program Champion for Purdue University.

As Military Deputy, Brig Gen Panzenhagen supports the Assistant Secretary in leading acquisition of Department of the Air Force space systems and programs to deliver combat-ready capabilities to the Joint Force. Her responsibilities include crafting acquisition strategies, guiding Department of Defense investments, promoting unity of effort across government and industry, and representing Department of the Air Force positions to the office of the Secretary of Defense, Congress, and the White House.



Brig Gen Panzenhagen entered the Air Force as a Distinguished Graduate of the Reserve Officer Training Corps at Purdue University in 2000. She began her career as an aircraft maintenance officer, then transitioned to developmental engineering, where she performed aircraft propulsion and structures research, executed space launch and on-orbit satellite operations, and led foreign materiel exploitation. She has managed multi-domain command and control, missile warning and defense, satellite ground enterprise, and assured access to space programs. She commanded at the squadron and delta levels.

General Panzenhagen deployed to Saudi Arabia as an aircraft maintenance officer for Operation Southern Watch, to Iraq as part of a contingency contracting team for Operation Iraqi Freedom, and again to Iraq as the National Reconnaissance Office lead in Iraq for Operation New Dawn.

EDUCATION

2000 Bachelor of Science, Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind.
2001 Aircraft Maintenance Officer Course, Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas
2004 Master of Science, Aeronautical Engineering, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio
2006 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
2008 Space 200, National Security Space Institute, Colorado Springs, Colo.
2010 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
2012 Master of Military Studies, Marine Corps University, Marine Corps Base Quantico, Va.
2012 Distinguished Graduate, Marine Corps Command and Staff College, MCB Quantico, Va.
2014 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
2014 Space 300, National Security Space Institute, Peterson AFB, Colo.
2017 Program Manager's Course, Defense Acquisition University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
2017 Senior Acquisition Course, Defense Acquisition University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
2017 Master of National Resource Strategy, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
2017 Distinguished Graduate, Eisenhower School, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
2022 Cybersecurity: The Intersection of Policy and Technology, Harvard Kennedy School, by correspondence
2022 Enterprise Perspective Seminar, Alan L. Freed Associates Inc., Washington, D.C.
2022 Senior Acquisition Management Course, Defense Acquisition University, by correspondence

ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 2000–October 2001, Avionics Flight Commander, 1st Component Repair Squadron, Langley Air Force Base, Va.
2. July 2000–October 2001, Accessories Flight Commander, 1st Component Repair Squadron, Langley AFB, Va.
3. October 2001–July 2002, Sortie Generation Assistant Flight Commander, 71st Fighter Squadron, Langley AFB, Va.
4. July 2002–August 2002, 71st Aircraft Maintenance Flight Assistant Officer in Charge, 1st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Langley AFB, Va.
5. August 2002–March 2004, Student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio
6. March 2004–July 2004, Aerospace Structure Engineer, Air Force Research Laboratory, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio

7. July 2004–July 2005, Titan Launch Operations Engineer, 3rd Space Launch Squadron, Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla.
8. July 2005–July 2006, Mission Support Flight Commander, 45th Launch Support Squadron, Cape Canaveral AFS, Fla.
9. July 2006–May 2008, Executive Officer, 45th Launch Group, Cape Canaveral AFS, Fla.
10. May 2008–October 2009, Chief of Mission Engineering, Data Masked
11. October 2009–July 2011, Chief of Mission Engineering, National Reconnaissance Office Aerospace Data Facility East, Fort Belvoir, Va.
12. July 2011–June 2012, Student, Marine Corps Command and Staff College, MCB Quantico, Va.
13. June 2012–June 2014, Chief of Advanced Warfighter Integration, Air Force Rapid Capabilities Office, Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling, Washington, D.C.
14. June 2014–August 2016, Commander, Foreign Materiel Exploitation Squadron, National Air and Space Intelligence Center, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio
15. August 2016–June 2017, Student, Eisenhower School, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
16. June 2017–June 2019, Chief, Missile Defense and Missile Warning Systems Branch, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Hanscom AFB, Mass.
17. June 2019–June 2021, Chief, Strategy and Integration Group, Office of Policy and Strategy, NRO, Chantilly, Va.
18. June 2021–May 2022, Senior Materiel Leader, Integrated Ground Enterprise, NRO, Chantilly, Va.
19. June 2022–June 2023, Senior Military Assistant to the Under Secretary of the Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
20. June 2023–June 2025, Program Executive Officer for Assured Access to Space; Commander, Space Launch Delta 45; Director, Eastern Range; and Director of Launch and Range Operations for Space Systems Command, Patrick SFB, Fla.
21. July 2025–Present, Military Deputy, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Space Acquisition and Integration, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit Medal
Defense Superior Service Medal
Defense Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster
Air and Space Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters Joint
Service Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster
Air and Space Commendation Medal
National Reconnaissance Office Medal of Distinguished Performance

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant Jun 11, 2000
First Lieutenant Jun 11, 2002
Captain Jun 11, 2004
Major May 1, 2010
Lieutenant Colonel Dec 1, 2013
Colonel May 1, 2018
Brigadier General Dec 16, 2023





LEADER BIOGRAPHY

BRIG. GEN. WILLIAM M. PARKER

COMMANDING GENERAL



Brigadier General William M. Parker was born in Pineville, Kentucky. He commissioned as an Air Defense Artillery Officer from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1995 with a Bachelor of Science in History. He also holds Masters Degrees in History from Clemson University, Management from Webster University, Military Operational Art and Science from Air University, and Strategic Studies from United States Army War College.

BG Parker began his career as a Platoon Leader with 1-2 ADA in Fort Bliss, Texas. He also served with 2-43 ADA in Fort Bliss, Texas and Riyadh, Saudi Arabia as a Fire Center Officer and Tactical Director. Following Infantry Captain's Career Course and a successful battery command in A Battery, 1-44 ADA at Fort Hood, Texas, BG Parker served as an Assistant Professor of Military Science for Clemson University.

BG Parker's command select and troop leading assignments include Commander, 30th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Commander, 5th Battalion, 52nd Air Defense Artillery Regiment, 11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, Fort Bliss, Texas and Operation ACTIVE FENCE, Turkey; Professor of Military Science, Reserve Officers' Training Corps Program, United States Army Cadet Command, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan; and with the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), he served as a Rear Detachment Commander at Fort Campbell and as the Iraqi Army Brigade Military Transition Team Chief forward deployed in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq.

BG Parker's key joint and staff assignments consist of Theater Access Control Officer, Multi-National Force-Iraq, Strategic Operations, United States Embassy, Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq; Air and Missile Defense Plans and Policy Division Chief, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7, Department of the Army Headquarters, Washington, DC; Chief of Staff, 94th Army Air and Missile Defense Command, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii; Military Deputy for Joint Counter-Small Unmanned Aerial Systems Office, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7, United States Army, Arlington, Virginia; and most recently Director, Air and Missile Defense Cross Functional Team, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

His military education and training include the Air Defense Artillery Officer Basic Course, the Infantry Officer Advanced Course, the Air Command and Staff College, and the U.S. Army War College, and Airborne School.

Awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the Joint Meritorious Unit Award, the Meritorious Unit Citation, the Army Superior Unit Award, the Combat Action Badge, and the Parachutist Badge.

BG Parker is married to the former Kerry Bennett of Walton, Indiana. They have three children Pixie, Billie, and Cassie.

Brigadier General David Phillips
Program Executive Office Aviation
Redstone Arsenal, AL



BG David Phillips currently serves as the Program Executive Officer at Program Executive Office Aviation, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. Prior to his most recent assignment, he was the Project Manager for the Future Long Range Assault Aircraft.

BG Phillips' previous assignments include the 2d Armored Cavalry Regiment at both Fort Bragg and Fort Polk as an armed reconnaissance platoon leader and staff officer, and the 82d Airborne Division as a staff officer, headquarters company commander, and attack helicopter company commander in the 82d Combat Aviation Brigade.

After completing the U.S. Navy Test Pilot School, BG Phillips served as an experimental test pilot at the Army's Flight Test Directorate and the Aviation Applied Technology Directorate, and in multiple test and acquisition assignments with USSOCOM. Prior to his assignment at PEO Aviation, BG Phillips served as the Program Executive Officer for Rotary Wing, USSOCOM, Special Operations Forces Acquisition Technology and Logistics at MacDill Air Force Base.

BG Phillips is a graduate of the United States Military Academy where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering Physics. He holds Masters Degrees in Aerospace Engineering from North Carolina State University, and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.

His military education includes the Army Aviation Officer Basic and Captain's Career Courses, the Cavalry Leader's Course, the Jumpmaster Course, the Command and General Staff College, the Defense Systems Management College Executive Program Managers Course, and the U.S. Army War College. BG Phillips is qualified in several military, experimental, and FAA certified aircraft.



National Guard

Major General JOHN R. PIPPY

The Adjutant General, Pennsylvania
Annville, PA
Since: October 2024



SOURCE OF COMMISSIONED SERVICE USMA

EDUCATIONAL DEGREES

United States Military Academy - BS - Environmental Engineering
Irish American University - MA - International Relations
United States Army War College - MSS - Strategic Studies

MILITARY SCHOOLS ATTENDED

Engineer Officer Basic Course
Engineer Captain's Career Course
United States Army Command and General Staff College
United States Army War College
Dual Status Commanders Course (NORTHCOM)
Army Senior Leader Development Seminar (SLDS)
Senior Leader Course, Baltic Defense College

Executive Certificates

National Security Management Executive Education Certificate, Syracuse University Maxwell School
General and Flag Officer Homeland Security Executive Seminar Program, Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School

FOREIGN LANGUAGE(S) None Recorded

<u>PROMOTIONS</u>	<u>DATE OF APPOINTMENT</u>
2LT	30 May 92
1LT	30 May 94
CPT	1 Apr 99
MAJ	8 Mar 06
LTC	9 Feb 12
COL	1 Sep 18
BG	1 May 22
MG	4 Feb 25

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>
Oct 24	Present	The Adjutant General, Annville, Pennsylvania
May 22	Feb 25	Army National Guard Assistant for Reserve Affairs, Chief of Engineers, Washington, District of Columbia
Jun 24	Sep 24	Director, Joint Staff – (PA), Annville, Pennsylvania
May 22	May 24	Commander, Land Component PA Army National Guard, Annville, Pennsylvania
Feb 22	May 22	Standard Excess, Pennsylvania, Joint Force Headquarters, Annville, Pennsylvania
Mar 19	Feb 22	Commander, Headquarters and Headquarters Company 55th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, Scranton, Pennsylvania

Sep 18	Feb 19	Construction Facilities Maintenance Officer, Pennsylvania Joint Force Headquarters, Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania
Jul 17	Aug 18	Commander, Headquarters and Headquarters Company 876th Brigade Engineer Battalion, 2nd Infantry Brigade, Johnstown, Pennsylvania
Aug 16	Jun 17	J4 Engineer Director, Special Operations Joint Task Force – OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE (Syria), Arifjan, Kuwait
Sep 14	Jul 16	Commander, Headquarters and Headquarters Company Brigade Special Troops Battalion, 2nd Infantry Brigade, Johnstown, Pennsylvania
Feb 13	Aug 14	Brigade Operations Officer, 2nd Infantry Brigade, 28th Infantry Division, Washington, Pennsylvania
Jul 12	Jan 13	Division G7/Chief of Protection, Headquarters 28th Infantry Division, Harrisburg Military Post, Pennsylvania
Jan 12	Jun 12	Division Engineer, Headquarters 28th Infantry Division, Harrisburg Military Post, Pennsylvania
Mar 11	Dec 11	Operations Officer, Headquarters 28th Infantry Division, Harrisburg Military Post, Pennsylvania
Oct 09	Feb 11	Design Branch Chief, Facilities and Engineering, Pennsylvania Joint Force Headquarters, Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania
Oct 06	Sep 09	Engineer, Facilities and Engineering, Pennsylvania Joint Force Headquarters, Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania
Nov 05	Sep 06	Plans Officer, Pennsylvania Joint Force Headquarters, Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania
Jun 04	Oct 05	Facility Management Officer, Pennsylvania Joint Force Headquarters, Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania
Jan 04	May 04	Engineer Officer, USAR Troop Program Unit, Kittanning, Pennsylvania
Nov 01	Dec 03	Commander, 332nd Engineer Company, 463rd Engineer Battalion, Kittanning, Pennsylvania and Camp Arifjan, Kuwait
Apr 98	Oct 01	Environmental Coordination Officer, Headquarters 99th Regional Support Command, Moon Township, Pennsylvania
May 95	Mar 98	Detachment Commander, 316th (Prime Power) Detachment, Kittanning, Pennsylvania
Oct 94	Apr 95	Executive Officer, Headquarters and Headquarters Company 20th Engineer Battalion (MECH), Fort Hood, Texas
Nov 93	Sep 94	Assault and Obstacle Platoon Leader, C Company 20th Engineer Battalion (MECH), Fort Hood, Texas
Nov 92	Oct 93	Mechanized Combat Engineer Platoon Leader, B Company 20th Engineer Battalion (MECH), Fort Hood, Texas
May 92	Nov 92	Engineer Officer Basic Course, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

<u></u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Dual Status Commander, OPERATION VAX-PA, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	May 21 - May 21	Colonel
J4 Engineer Director & HHBN Commander, Special Operations Joint Task Force – OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE Syria, Iraq, and Kuwait	Oct 16 - Jun 17	Lieutenant Colonel
Commander, 332nd Engineer Company, 463rd Engineer Battalion, Camp Arifjan, Kuwait	Feb 03 - Dec 03	Captain

US DECORATIONS AND BADGES

Legion of Merit
 Bronze Star Medal
 Defense Meritorious Service Medal
 Meritorious Service Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)
 Joint Service Commendation Medal
 Army Commendation Medal
 Army Achievement Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)
 Joint Meritorious Unit Award
 Army Meritorious Unit Commendation
 Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (with 1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster and 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)
 National Defense Service Medal (with 1 Bronze Service Star)
 Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal
 Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
 Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
 Armed Forces Service Medal
 Humanitarian Service Medal
 Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Silver Hourglass, M Device and Numeral 2)
 Army Service Ribbon
 Overseas Service Ribbon

Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon
Combat Action Badge
Parachutist Badge
Pennsylvania Service Ribbon
Pennsylvania Twenty Year Service Medal
Major General Thomas R. White Jr. Medal
General Thomas J. Stewart Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)
National Guard Bureau Staff Identification Badge
The Adjutant General's Staff Identification Badge
Army Engineer Regiment's Silver de Fleury Medal

CIVILIAN OCCUPATION

The Adjutant General, Pennsylvania National Guard

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Lifetime Member, Army Engineer Association
Lifetime Member, National Guard Association of Pennsylvania
Elected Pennsylvania State Senator, 2003-2012
Elected Pennsylvania State Representative 1996-2003

As of: 1 JUL 25

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BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL QUAID H. “CUEW” QUADRI JR.

Brig Gen Quadri is Deputy Director for Security Cooperation, Partnering, Policy, and Space Capabilities, ECJ5 at U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany. He is responsible for facilitating policy, plans, activities, and investments that enhance security relationships and partnerships across Europe, with special emphasis on the Arctic, Baltic, and Black Sea Regions.

Brig Gen Quadri received his commission at the United States Air Force Academy in 1999. He is a command pilot and highly experienced F-16 evaluator and instructor pilot with more than 2,700 flying hours in the F-16 Fighting Falcon. He has flown more than 600 combat hours and flown combat missions in Operations Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom, Inherent Resolve, and Spartan Shield. Brig Gen Quadri has a wide range of expertise spanning tactical, operational, and strategic planning and execution, including future force requirements and development, as well as planning and execution of all Air National Guard mobilization. Additionally, he served as principal strategist for the Chief, National Guard Bureau, a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.



Brig Gen Quadri wrote the CNGB's "Best Military Advice" to the Secretary of Defense in his role as a member of the JCS and was appointed as a principal member of the 2022 National Defense Strategy core writing team. He is a twice-graduated wing commander and has served as the Crisis Action Team Director during multiple domestic emergency response operations. In 2017, he deployed as the senior military authority to Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, during Hurricane Maria recovery operations. As the commander of the 169th Fighter Wing, Brig Gen Quadri led the training, deployment, and mission employment of the U.S. Air Force's first ever Expeditionary Air Base (XAB) force model. Prior to his current position, Brig Gen Quadri was the Commander of the 378th Air Force Expeditionary Wing, Prince Sultan Air Base, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. As the senior U.S. military commander inside the Kingdom, he was responsible for the plans, support, and integrated execution of Joint military operations and crisis postures on Prince Sultan Air Base including the security, sustainment, and welfare of over 2,800 U.S. personnel while providing air defense, aerial interdiction, air-refueling, and airborne command & control throughout U.S. Central Command.

EDUCATION

1999 Bachelor of Science, Business Management, United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Col.

2000 Aerospace Basic Course, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

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

2007 NATO Tactical Leadership Program, Florennes Air Base, Belgium

2014 Air Command and Staff College, Montgomery, Ala., by correspondence

2017 Air War College, Montgomery, Ala., by correspondence

2019 Eisenhower School for National Resource Strategy (Distinguished Graduate), Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.

2023 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N.C.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1999 – April 2000, Student/Current Operations Officer, 4th Special Operations Squadron, Hulburt Field, Fla.
2. April 2000 – September 2001, Student, Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training, Sheppard Air Force Base, Tex.
3. September 2001 – August 2002, Student, F-16 Basic Operational Planning Course, Luke AFB, Ariz.
4. August 2002 – May 2004, F-16 Mission Pilot and Flight Lead, 13th Fighter Squadron, Misawa Air Base, Japan
5. May 2004 – May 2005, Air Liaison Officer, 604th Air Support Operations Squadron, Camp Red Cloud, Republic of Korea
6. August 2005 – August 2008, F-16 Instructor Pilot and Flight Commander, 23rd Fighter Squadron, Spangdahlem AB, Germany
7. August 2008 – September 2012, F-16 Instructor Pilot and Wing Weapons Officer, 169th Operations Group, McEntire Joint National Guard Base, S.C.
8. September 2012 – September 2015, F-16 Evaluator Pilot and Chief of Standardization and Evaluation, 169th Operations Group, McEntire JNGB, S.C.
9. September 2015 – October 2016, Chief, Deployments and Mobilization Branch, NGB/A2/3/6, Air National Guard Readiness Center, Joint Base Andrews, Md.
10. October 2016 – May 2018, Chief, Concepts and Applications Branch, NGB/A5/8, Air National Guard Readiness Center, Joint Base Andrews, Md.
11. May 2017 – August 2018, Commander, 245th Air Traffic Control Squadron, McEntire JNGB, S.C.
12. August 2018 – June 2019, Student, Eisenhower School for National Resource Strategy, Fort McNair, D.C.
13. July 2019 – September 2021, Chief, Strategic Assessments, Futures, and Initiatives Division, NGB/J59, Pentagon, Va.
14. September 2021 – August 2023, Commander, 169th Fighter Wing, McEntire JNGB, S.C.
15. September 2023 – April 2024, Commander, 378th Air Expeditionary Wing, Prince Sultan Air Base, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
16. May 2024 – July 2025, Special Assistant to Vice Chief, National Guard Bureau, Pentagon, Va.
17. July 2024 – Present, Deputy Director of Security Cooperation, Partnering, Policy, and Space Capabilities, ECJ5, U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 2019 – September 2021, Chief, Strategic Assessments, Futures, and Initiatives Division, NGB/J59, Pentagon, VA, as a Colonel
2. July 2024 – Present, Deputy Director of Security Cooperation, Partnering, Policy, and Space Capabilities, ECJ5, U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany, as a Brigadier General

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: Over 2,700 including more than 600 combat

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38, F-16 C/D

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal four oak leaf clusters

Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters

National Defense Medal with bronze star

Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with gold border

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant, June 2, 1999

First Lieutenant, June 2, 2001

Captain, June 2, 2003
Major, January 19, 2009
Lieutenant Colonel, March 12, 2014
Colonel, September 6, 2019
Brigadier General, August 12, 2023

(CURRENT AS OF NOVEMBER 2024)

BIOGRAPHY
DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE

KARLA QUINTANA-BROOKS

Vice Deputy Chief, Office of Counterintelligence



Ms. Karla Quintana-Brooks was appointed to the Defense Intelligence Senior Executive Service (DISES) in October 2022. As the Vice Deputy Chief, Office of Counterintelligence, Directorate for Operations (DO) she is responsible for directing strategic Counterintelligence (CI) analysis, offensive operations, investigative activities, functional services, and collection operations against foreign intelligence threats.

She previously served as Chair, National HUMINT Requirements and Tasking Center (NHRTC), from 2021-2022. In this joint duty assignment, she developed, planned, and aligned collection requirements across the National Human Intelligence (HUMINT) Enterprise. From 2018-2021, she served as the DO's Deputy Associate Deputy Director for Intelligence where she advised the DO and Deputy DO; and established and guided DO policies, systems, and procedures to improve the overall quality and utility of DO reporting.

Ms. Quintana-Brooks began her federal career with General Services Administration in 1992 and entered DIA in 2001. She has served in a variety of CI and HUMINT positions spanning the spectrum of strategic, operational, and tactical. From 2016-2018, she served as Chief of Intelligence for the Americas and Transregional Threats Center where she integrated the full spectrum of DO capabilities. From 2014-2016 she served as Collections Deputy Defense Intelligence Officer (DIO) for Latin America where she integrated multi-int collection across the Defense Intelligence Enterprise and advised the DIO on the full-spectrum of intelligence matters, policy, liaisons, and resources.

In 2014, Ms. Quintana-Brooks served as the Senior Intelligence Officer for the Americas Regional Center Enclave and graduated from the Defense Senior Leadership Development Program, which included a 2013 developmental assignment as a Foreign Affairs Officer in the U.S. State Department Africa Bureau – Regional Security Affairs Office. From 2006-2012, she served at U.S. Southern Command as a Senior CI Analyst, the CI/HUMINT Analysis and Requirements Cell Branch Chief, and the J2X Operations Support Element Chief. From July 2004 to December 2005, she served in Iraq as a Cover Support Officer, from 2003-2004 in the HUMINT Support Element at U.S. Special Operations Command, and from 2001-2003 in DO Training. From 1997-2000, she worked in the private sector for Sylvan Prometric; and in 1997 she completed an internship at the United Nations.

Her awards include the Joint Civilian Service Commendation, DoD Counterintelligence Technologies Individual Award, ICE Director Interagency Award, National Intelligence Meritorious Unit Citation, and a National Intelligence Certificate of Distinction.

Ms. Quintana-Brooks earned a Bachelor of Arts from George Mason University, a Master of Arts in International Administration from the University of Miami, and a Master of Science in Resource Strategy and National Security from The Eisenhower School – National Defense University. Ms. Quintana-Brooks is married to Colonel Paul K. Brooks, USA, Retired.



Brigadier General Douglas C. Sanders

Assistant Wing Commander, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing

Brigadier General Douglas C. “Swami” Sanders hails from Orlando, Florida. A graduate of Maynard Evans High School and the United States Naval Academy, he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in 1996. Following Naval Aviator designation in 1999, he subsequently earned his AH-1W Super Cobra qualification. In 2004, he was selected for MV-22B Osprey transition.

Brigadier General Sanders’ command assignments include: Commanding Officer, Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron (VMM) 264 and Commanding Officer, Marine Aircraft Group 26.

His operational assignments include: Marine Light/Attack Helicopter Squadron 269; Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 365 (Reinforced); Air Officer, 2D Battalion, 2D Marines; Marine Tiltrotor Test and Evaluation Squadron 22; Marine Medium Tiltrotor Squadron (VMM) 266; and Assistant Wing Commander, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing.



His staff and joint assignments include: MAGTF Planner, HQMC Aviation; C-ISIS Cell Strategic Planner, USSOCOM J-35; Section Head, Programs and Resources; Aviation Branch Head, Programs and Resources; Strategic Engagements Chief, CJTF-OIR; and Branch Head, Air Warfare Systems Assault Support, HQMC Aviation.

Brigadier General Sanders has six combat deployments in both Iraq and Afghanistan for Operations ENDURING FREEDOM, IRAQI FREEDOM, and INHERENT RESOLVE. His personal awards include Legion of Merit (gold star), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (2 gold stars), Air Medal (combat “V”, 3 individual, 14 strike/flight), both Joint and Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medals (combat “V”, gold star), Navy-Marine Corps Achievement Medal (gold star), and Combat Action Ribbon (gold star).

Brigadier General Sanders is a graduate of USMC Command and Staff College (with distinction), School of Advanced Warfighting, and the Eisenhower School. He has earned a Bachelor of Science from the U.S. Naval Academy, two Masters of Sciences from the Marine Corps University and one from the National Defense University, and a Doctor of Philosophy in Conflict Analysis and Resolution Studies from Nova Southeastern University.



BRIGADIER GENERAL JOEL F. SCHMIDT

ASSISTANT DIVISION COMMANDER – 2D MARINE DIVISION

Brigadier General (BGen) Schmidt, a native of Robinson, Illinois, graduated from Campbell University with a degree in History and Political Science. Prior to commissioning, BGen Schmidt served as a Marine infantryman from 1991-1997 and was subsequently commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps in April 1997 via the Marine Corps Enlisted Commissioning Program.

After graduating The Basic School and the Infantry Officer's Course, he was assigned to 2d Battalion, 6th Marines, where he served as Weapons Platoon Commander, Company Executive Officer, and Company Commander. Subsequently, he was assigned to the School of Infantry where he served as Company Executive Officer, Company Commander, and Battalion Operations Officer. Following the Expeditionary Warfare School, he served as a summer augment to Officer Candidates School as a Platoon Commander and was then assigned to 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marines as a Company Commander.

BGen Schmidt's operational assignments as a field grade officer include: Inspector-Instructor, 1st Battalion, 25th Marines; assignments with Marine Special Operations Command where he served as G35, G33, and CJSOTF-A J5; Commanding Officer, 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marines, Executive Officer, 7th Marines; Assistant Chief of Staff G-5 and II Marine Expeditionary Force Liaison Officer to Sixth Fleet; and Commanding Officer, The Basic School. Also serving as the Ground Combat Element in support of Special Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force Crisis Response Africa and Black Sea Rotational Force.

His staff and supporting establishment assignments include: CMC Fellow at Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Operations Officer for Marine Tactics and Operations Groups; Executive Assistant to Deputy Commandant, Plans, Policies and Operations; Chief of Staff, III Marine Expeditionary Force; and Executive Assistant to Deputy Commandant, Manpower and Reserve Affairs. In 2024 he filled the billet of acting Deputy Commander, Marine Forces Central Command. On July 28, 2025, he assumed the duties of Assistant Division Commander, 2d Marine Division.

Brigadier General Schmidt is a graduate of the Expeditionary Warfare School, School of Advanced Warfighting, Marine Corps Command and Staff Seminar Program, U.S. Army War College, and United Kingdom Higher Command and Staff College. He holds a Master of Business Administration from American Military University and a Master of Military Studies from Marine Corps University.

He is married to the former Lisa Young and they have five children: Jessica Faith, Talon James, Holly Grace, Alexander Justice, and Owen Warrior Schmidt.



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL ROBERT J. SCHREINER

Brigadier General Robert J. Schreiner is the Space Force's Senior Liaison Officer to U.S. Northern Command and U.S. Strategic Command. Additionally, Brig. Gen. Schreiner leads the Initial Mission Analysis Team to establish U.S. Space Forces Northern and U.S. Space Forces Strategic. Upon activation, Space Forces North-Strat will plan, coordinate, synchronize, and execute the employment of space effects across the full range of military operations, including security cooperation, in support of U.S. Northern Command and U.S. Strategic Command objectives.

Brig. Gen. Schreiner graduated from the United States Air Force Academy in 1998. He has commanded space operations units at the delta and squadron levels, commanded the National Reconnaissance Office's Aerospace Data Facility Colorado and served as the U.S. Air Forces Central Command Director of Space Forces. He has held a variety of space operations, acquisition management, and engineering positions within the Space Force, Air Force, Joint Staff, and the National Reconnaissance Office.

Prior to his current position, Brig. Gen. Schreiner served as Deputy Director for Operations, National Joint Operations and Intelligence Center, Joint Staff, in the Pentagon.



EDUCATION

1998 Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, United States Air Force Academy, Colo.

2003 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2003 Master of Business Administration, Technology Management, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, Colo.

2008 Air Command and Staff College, correspondence

2011 Master of Science, Systems Engineering, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

2013 Air War College, correspondence

2019 Master of Strategic Studies, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

ASSIGNMENTS OR CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1. July 1998 – February 1999, Student, Undergraduate Space and Missile Training and Global Positioning System Initial Qualification Training, Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif.
2. February 1999 – June 2002, GPS Payload Systems Operator and Chief, Navigation Tactics & Payload Analysis, 2nd Space Operations Squadron, Schriever AFB, Colo.
3. June 2002 – April 2004, Deputy Chief, Space Branch, Air Force Directorate of Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
4. April 2004 – June 2006, Chief, Relay Systems Engineering & Operations and Executive Officer to the Commander, Directorate of Communications, National Reconnaissance Office, Chantilly, Va.
5. June 2006 – July 2008, Assistant Director of Engineering, Space Operations Squadron, Air Force Element, Washington, D.C.

6. July 2008 – May 2010, Deputy Chief, Space Protection & Information Operations Requirements Division, Directorate of Requirements, Headquarters Air Force Space Command, Peterson AFB, Colo. (July 2009 – January 2010, Quality Program Manager, Defense Contract Management Agency - Iraq, Southwest Asia)
7. May 2010 – June 2011, Student, Intermediate Developmental Education, Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
8. June 2011 – June 2014, Director of Operations, National Reconnaissance Office Operations Squadron, Schriever AFB, Colo.
9. June 2014 – June 2016, Commander, Operations Support Squadron, Air Force Element and Chief, Systems Engineering & Integration, RAF Menwith Hill, England
10. June 2016 – September 2017, Chief, Space Programs Branch, Directorate of Programming, Financial Management and Comptroller, Headquarters Air Force Space Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.
11. September 2017 – July 2018, Executive Officer to the Executive Director, Air Force Space Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.
12. July 2018 – June 2019, Student, Senior Developmental Education, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.
13. June 2019 – July 2021, Senior Field Representative to U.S. Space Command, National Reconnaissance Office, Peterson AFB, Colo. (December 2020 – June 2021, Director of Space Forces, U.S. Air Forces Central Command, Southwest Asia)
14. August 2021 – July 2024, Commander, Aerospace Data Facility Colorado and Commander, NRO Delta 20, Buckley SFB, Colo.
15. July 2024 – August 2025, Deputy Director for Operations, Operations Team One, National Joint Operations and Intelligence Center, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
16. August 2025 – present, Senior Liaison Officer, U.S. Northern Command and U.S. Strategic Command and Director, Initial Mission Analysis Team, U.S. Space Forces Northern and U.S. Space Forces Strategic, Peterson SFB, Colo.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 2019 – July 2021, Senior Field Representative to U.S. Space Command, National Reconnaissance Office, Peterson AFB, Colo., as a colonel
2. August 2021 – July 2024, Commander, Aerospace Data Facility Colorado and Commander, NRO Delta 20, Buckley SFB, Colo., as a colonel
3. July 2024 – August 2025, Deputy Director for Operations, Operations Team One, National Joint Operations and Intelligence Center, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a brigadier general

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

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

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 27, 1998
First Lieutenant May 27, 2000
Captain May 27, 2002
Major December 1, 2007
Lieutenant Colonel May 1, 2013
Colonel July 1, 2019
Brigadier General June 12, 2024

(CURRENT AS OF AUGUST 2025)



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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN M. SCHUTTE

Brig Gen John Schutte is the Deputy Commander, Fifth Air Force, and Director, Joint Air Component Coordination Element-Japan, Yokota Air Base, Japan. Fifth Air Force conducts joint and bilateral planning and engagements to defend Japan and respond to regional contingencies. In addition, the Command coordinates joint and bilateral actions and exercises with United States (U.S.) Forces, Japan, U.S. Service components, the Japan Self-Defense Force, and other Japanese organizations to strengthen bilateral interoperability. Fifth Air Force exercises administrative authority over U.S. Air Force forces in Japan, comprised of 15,000 combat ready personnel across three main operating bases, delivering combat airpower, command and control, personnel recovery, and rapid mobility.

Brig Gen Schutte entered the Air Force in 1999 through the ROTC program, graduating from the University of Virginia. His previous assignments include operational and staff tours in Europe, the Pentagon, Pacific Air Forces, and U.S. Air Forces Central Command. He is a Senior Navigator with more than 1,600 hours in numerous variants of the C-130. He holds four graduate degrees and is currently a Ph.D. Candidate at Princeton University's School of Public and International Affairs.



Brig Gen Schutte has commanded at the Squadron and Wing level. Prior to his current assignment, Brig Gen Schutte served the Deputy Chief of Staff, Headquarters United States European Command, Patch Barracks, Stuttgart, Germany. In this capacity, he directed the activities of subordinate elements under the Chief of Staff, managed day-to-day supervision of the staff, and provided counsel to the Commander, Deputy Commander, headquarters staff, and component commands for a 2,000-member warfighting headquarters.

EDUCATION

1999 Bachelor of Arts in History, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA
1999 Aerospace Basic Course, Maxwell AFB, AL
2004 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
2004 Master of Arts in International Relations, Oklahoma University, OK
2006 Master of Arts in Organizational Management, George Washington University, D.C.
2007 Air Force Intern Program - IDE Credit
2008 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence, Maxwell AFB, AL
2012 Master of Philosophy in Military Strategy, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, AL
2013 Air War College, by correspondence, Maxwell AFB, AL
2016 Master of Arts in Public and International Affairs, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
2017 Advanced Study Group PhD Program - SDE Credit

ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1999 - February 2000, Awaiting Joint Specialized Undergraduate Navigator Training (JSNUT), 116th Air Control Wing, Robins AFB, Ga.
2. February 2000 - November 2000, JSUNT, 562d Flying Training Squadron, Randolph AFB, Texas
3. November 2000 - July 2001, Student, 53d Airlift Squadron, Little Rock AFB, Ark.





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4. July 2001 - July 2005, C-130E Instructor and Evaluator Navigator and Operations Group Executive Officer, 86th Operations Group, Ramstein AB, Germany
5. July 2005 - July 2007, Junior Military Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of Defense, then Action Officer in Skunkworks, A5XS, Air Force Intern, Pentagon, Washington D.C.
6. July 2007 - November 2008, Country Director, Middle East and Africa Division, International Affairs, Office of the Under Secretary of the Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
7. November 2008 - July 2011, C-130H Instructor Navigator, Chief Navigator, Wing Executive Officer and then Director of Staff, 374th Airlift Wing, Yokota AB, Japan
8. July 2011 - July 2012, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
9. July 2012 - June 2013, Airpower Strategist, Chief of Staff of the Air Force's Strategic Studies Group, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
10. June 2013 - June 2014, Commander, 386th Operations Support Squadron, Ali Al Salem AB
11. June 2014 - June 2017, Ph.D. Student and then Ph.D. Candidate, Princeton University, Princeton, N.J.
12. June 2017 - June 2019, Vice Commander, 314th Airlift Wing, Little Rock AFB, Ark.
13. June 2019 - June 2021, Commander, 19th Airlift Wing, Little Rock AFB, Ark.
14. June 2021 - August 2024, Deputy Chief of Staff, United States European Command, Germany
15. August 2024 - Present, Deputy Commander, Headquarters Fifth Air Force, Yokota AB, Japan

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Senior Navigator

Flight Hours: More than 1,600

Aircraft Flown: C-130E/H

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster

Bronze Star Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal

Air Force Combat Action Medal

Company Grade Officer of the Year, 86th Airlift Wing

SAF/IA Team of the Year Award

Air Force Historical Association (AFHA) award for the best SAASS history thesis of AY 2011-2012

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant July 11, 1999

First Lieutenant July 11, 2001

Captain July 11, 2003

Major June 1, 2009

Lieutenant Colonel November 1, 2012

Colonel May 1, 2017

Brigadier General May 2, 2025

(Current as of Aug 2025)





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL XAVIERA SLOCUM

Brig Gen Slocum is the Mobilization Assistant to the Director of Legislative Liaison, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force. In this position, she serves as the liaison between the Air Force, Space Force, and Congress on all programs, air and space weapons systems and issues such as legislative and constituent inquiries. Brig Gen Slocum collaborates directly with the House of Representatives and Senate to secure the resources and authorities of the Department's annual budget and assist Congress in its constitutionally directed oversight responsibilities. She also prepares the Secretary of the Air Force, Chief of Staff of the Air Force, Chief of Space Operations and other senior Department of the Air Force leaders for engagements and testimony on Capitol Hill.

Brig Gen Slocum entered the Air Force through the Reserve Officer Training Corps in 1999 after graduating from Syracuse University, New York, with a Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering. While on active duty prior to joining the Air Force Reserve in 2006, Brig Gen Slocum served as an operational F-15E Weapon Systems Officer and an Instructor Weapon Systems Officer in both operational and F-15E Formal Training Unit squadrons. She has served in a wide range of staff and leadership positions at the Joint and Headquarters Air Force, MAJCOM, wing and squadron level, across the Combat Air Force, Mobility Air Force, and Command and Control mission sets. She accumulated over 1210 flight hours, including 324 combat hours and 60 combat sorties in the F-15E, serving in combat operations Southern Watch and Iraqi Freedom, as well as homeland defense for Operation Noble Eagle.



Prior to this position, Brig Gen Slocum was the Senior Executive Officer to the Chief of the Air Force Reserve. In this position, she represented the Chief of Air Force Reserve and Commander, Air Force Reserve Command in interactions with agencies internal and external to the Department of Defense and provided oversight and guidance to include Congressional testimony, future force briefs and Air Staff policy.

EDUCATION

1999 Bachelor of Science, Aerospace Engineering, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

2007 Squadron Officer School, by correspondence

2008 Master of Arts, International Relations, Global Master of Arts Program, Fletcher School, Tufts University, Medford, MA, (IDE in residence)

2011 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence

2017 Air War College, by correspondence

2021 Leadership Decision Making Seminar, Harvard Kennedy School of Executive Education

2021 Joint Senior Staff Course, Hurlburt AFB, FL

2023 Joint and Combined Warfighter School, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, VA

2023 Executive Leadership Seminar, Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

2025 Seminar XXI Fellow, Center for International Studies, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Washington, DC





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

ASSIGNMENTS OR CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1. July 1999 – January 2001, student VT-4 Flying Training Squadron and VT-86 Flying Training Squadron, Pensacola NAS, Florida.
2. January 2001 – November 2001, F-15E Student, 334th Fighter Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, North Carolina.
3. November 2001 – December 2004, F-15E Weapon Systems Officer/Instructor Weapon Systems Officer, 335th Fighter Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, North Carolina.
4. December 2004 – September 2006, F-15E Assistant Flight Commander and Instructor Weapon Systems Officer, 334th Fighter Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, North Carolina.
5. September 2006 – September 2008, Chief Electronic Warfare Officer, Directorate of Operational Capability Requirements (HAF/A5RE), Pentagon, Washington, DC.
6. September 2008 – September 2010, Fighter Requirements Officer, Directorate of Operational Capability Requirements (HAF/A5RC), Pentagon, Washington, DC.
7. September 2010 – June 2014, IMA to the Division Chief, Weapon Systems Liaison Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Secretary of the Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, DC.
8. June 2014 – June 2016, IMA Deputy Division Chief, House Liaison Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Secretary of the Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, DC.
9. June 2016 – August 2018, Joint Plans and Programmer, United States Delegation to the NATO Military Committee, NATO Headquarters, Brussels, Belgium.
10. August 2018 – July 2020, IMA to the Commander, Air Force District of Washington, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland.
11. July 2020 – April 2022, Commander, 713th Combat Operations Squadron, Beale Air Force Base, California.
12. April 2022-April 2023, Vice Wing Commander, 302d Airlift Wing, Peterson Space Force Base, CO.
13. April 2023 – April 2024, Senior Executive Officer to Chief of Air Force Reserve, Pentagon, Washington, DC.
14. April 2024 – Present, Mobilization Assistant to the Director Legislative Liaison, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, DC.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

June 2016 – August 2018, Joint Plans and Programmer, United States Delegation to the NATO Military Committee, NATO Headquarters, Brussels, Belgium as a lieutenant colonel

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Senior Navigator

Flight Hours: More than 1210 including 324 combat hours and 60 combat sorties

Aircraft Flown: T-34, T-1, T-39, AT-38, and F-15E

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with five oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Air and Space Outstanding Unit Award with valor device and two oak leaf clusters

Combat Readiness Medal

Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal

Nuclear Deterrence Operation Service Medal

Air and Space Overseas Service Ribbon Short





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OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2015, Air Combat Command General and Mrs. Jerome F. O'Malley Award

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant June 14, 1999

First Lieutenant June 14, 2001

Captain June 14, 2003

Major April 15, 2008

Lieutenant Colonel August 15, 2013

Colonel September 4, 2018

Brigadier General June 30, 2025

(Current as of Sep 2025)





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL LAWRENCE T. SULLIVAN

Brig. Gen. Lawrence T. Sullivan is the Commander, 57th Wing, Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada. He is responsible for 36 squadrons at 12 installations constituting the Air Force's most diverse flying wing. The Wing flies and maintains more than 182 aircraft of the following types: A-10, F-15E, F-16, F-22A, F-35A, and HH-60W. The wing also utilizes AC-130J, B-1, B-2, B-52, C-130, CV-22, E-3, C-17, E-11, EC-37, EC-130, HC-130, KC-46, KC-135, MC-130, MQ-9, RQ-4, RQ-170, RC-135, U-2, U-28 aircraft along with cyber, space, and command and control platforms at 12 stateside bases to execute the U.S. Air Force Weapons School syllabus. Brig. Gen. Sullivan is responsible for three groups: the 57th Operations Group, the 57th Maintenance Group and the U.S. Air Force Weapons School. In addition, he oversees the U.S. Air Force Advanced Maintenance and Munitions Operations School; Red Flag and Green Flag exercises; and the U.S. Air Force Aggressors, comprised of 4th and 5th generation fighters, air defense aggressors, and cyber aggressors. The 57th Wing is also home to the U.S. Air Force Air Demonstration Squadron—the Thunderbirds.



Brig. Gen. Sullivan graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1999. He has served as an F-16 Weapons Officer, Director of Operations, Squadron Commander, Deputy Wing and Wing Commander during flying assignments at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea; Eielson AFB, Alaska; Misawa AB, Japan; Nellis AFB, Nev.; Kunsan AB, ROK; and Shaw AFB, S.C, respectively. While at Nellis in 2006, he was selected as the top F-16 Weapons School Graduate, was named Outstanding F-16 Weapons School Instructor, and later conducted a strike mission in Afghanistan that received the Clarence H. Mackay Trophy on display at the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum, in Washington, D.C.

Prior to his current position, he served for two years as the Principal Military Assistant to the Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

EDUCATION

1999 Bachelor of Science, Biochemistry, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

2004 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

2004 Forward Air Controller Airborne Course, Luke AFB, Ariz.

2006 Weapons Instructor Course, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.

2008 Master of Science, International Relations, Troy University, Troy, Ala.

2012 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2012 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2012 Master of Science, National Security and Strategic Studies, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.

2013 Master of Philosophy, Military Strategy, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2017 Master of Science, Natural Resource Strategy, National Defense University, Ft. McNair, Washington, D.C.

2020 Doctor of Philosophy, Military Strategy, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

ASSIGNMENTS

1. October 1999 - October 2000, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.
2. October 2000 - March 2001, Student Pilot, Introduction to Fighter Fundamentals, Randolph AFB, Texas
3. April 2001 - October 2001, F-16 Student Pilot, 149th Fighter Squadron, Kelly AFB, Texas
4. December 2001 - December 2002, F-16 Pilot, 36th Fighter Squadron, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea
5. December 2002 - December 2005, Flight Commander, Instructor Pilot and Standard/Evaluation Flight Examiner, 18th Fighter Squadron, Eielson AFB, Alaska
6. December 2005 - July 2008, Flight Commander, IP and SEFE, 13th Fighter Squadron, Misawa AB, Japan
7. July 2006 - December 2006, Student, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
8. January 2007 - December 2008, Squadron and Wing Weapons Officer, 35th Fighter Wing, Misawa AB, Japan
9. December 2008 - July 2011, F-16 Instructor, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
10. July 2011 - June 2012, Student, College of Naval Command and Staff, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.
11. July 2012 - June 2013, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
12. October 2013 - May 2014, Director of Operations, 14th Fighter Squadron, Misawa AB, Japan
13. May 2014 - April 2016, Commander, 35th Operations Support Squadron, Misawa AB, Japan
14. April 2016 - July 2016, Fellow, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, Arlington, Va.
15. July 2016 - June 2017, Student, Eisenhower School, National Defense University, Ft. McNair Washington, D.C.
16. June 2017 - May 2018, Program Manager, Global Operations (J39), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
17. May 2018 - May 2019, Chief, Special Projects and Innovation Division, Global Operations (J39), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
18. May 2019 – April 2020, Deputy Commander, 8th Fighter Wing, Kunsan AB, Republic of Korea
19. May 2020 – May 2022, Commander, 20th Fighter Wing, Shaw AFB, S.C.
20. June 2022 – June 2024, Principal Military Assistant to the Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
21. July 2024 – Present: Commander, 57th Wing, Nellis AFB, Nev.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 2017 - May 2018, Program Manager, Global Operations (J39), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel
2. May 2018 - May 2019, Chief of Special Projects and Innovation Division, Global Operations (J39), Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel
3. June 2022 – June 2024, Principle Military Assistant to the Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: More than 2,300

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38, AT-38, AC-130J, AH-1Z, C-17, C-32, C-40, C-130, E-3, E-4B, EA-6B, E-7, E-8, F-15B, F-15E, B-1B, B-52H, HH-60W, HC-130J, MQ-1, MQ-9, KC-46, KC-135, RC-135, RQ-4, RQ-170, U-28 and F-16 Block 15/25/30/32/40/42/50/52

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Distinguished Service Medal

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with oak leaf cluster





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EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant June 2, 1999

First Lieutenant June 2, 2001

Captain June 2, 2003

Major December 1, 2008

Lieutenant Colonel November 1, 2012

Colonel February 1, 2019

Brigadier General September 30, 2024

(Current as of August 2025)





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL JANETTE L. THODE

Brig. Gen. Janette L. Thode is the Mobilization Assistant to the Commander at Air Force Global Strike Command, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana. AFGSC provides strategic deterrence, global strike, and combat support to U.S. Strategic Command and other geographic combatant commands. The command comprises more than 33,700 professionals operating two Numbered Air Forces, 11 active-duty, Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve wings, the Joint Global Strike Operations Center, and the Nuclear Command, Control and Communications Center. Weapons systems assigned to AFGSC include all U.S. Air Force intercontinental ballistic missiles and bomber aircraft, UH-1N helicopters, E-4B National Airborne Operations Center aircraft and the U.S. Air Force NC3 weapons system.

The general commissioned into the Air Force in May 1995 as a ROTC distinguished graduate from University of Miami, Florida. She completed Specialized Undergraduate Navigator training in 1996, serving the regular Air Force as a B-1 weapons system officer instructor and evaluator. She transitioned to the Air Force Reserve in 2005 where she served in a variety of staff and command assignments at the wing and Headquarters Air Force. She is a senior navigator with more than 1,700 B-1 hours and multiple deployments in support of Operations ALLIED FORCE, IRAQI FREEDOM, and ENDURING FREEDOM. Prior to her current assignment, she was the Mobilization Assistant to the Director of Strategic Plans, Programs and Requirements Headquarters Air Force Global Strike Command, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana.



EDUCATION

1995 Bachelor of Science, Computer Science, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Fla.
2001 Squadron Office School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
2002 USAF Weapons School, B-1 Weapons Instructor Course, Ellsworth AFB, S.D.
2008 Air Command and Staff College by seminar, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
2015 Master of Arts, Management and Leadership, Liberty University, Lynchburg, Va.
2017 Reserve Component National Security Course, National Defense University, Ft. McNair, Washington, D.C.
2019 Leading Strategically, Center for Creative Leadership, Colorado Springs, Colo.
2019 Joint Combined Warfare School – Hybrid, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.
2023 Seminar XXI, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, M.A.
2024 Senior Leader Security Seminar, Montross, Va.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1995 – April 1996, Student, Specialized Undergraduate Navigator Training, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas
2. April 1996 - April 1997, Student, Navigator Training, NAS Pensacola, Fla.
3. April 1997 - November 1997, Student, B-1 Initial Qualification Training, Dyess AFB, Texas
4. November 1997 - September 2003, Chief, Mission Planning/Assistant Chief, Standardization Evaluation/Wing Electronic Warfare Officer/Flight Commander, Weapons and Tactics, Ellsworth AFB, S.D.





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5. September 2003 - December 2005, Flight Commander, B-1 Information Systems, 337th Test and Evaluation Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas
6. December 2005 - September 2006, Executive Officer, 96th Flying Training Squadron, Laughlin AFB, Texas
7. September 2006 - November 2013, Chief, Operations Group Tactics/Assistant Director of Operations/ Operations Officer/ Wing Inspector General, 916th Air Refueling Wing, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
8. December 2013 - July 2015, Inspector General, 340th Flying Training Group, Joint Base San Antonio Randolph, Texas
9. July 2015 - October 2017, Commander, 433d Training Squadron, JBSA Lackland, Texas
10. October 2017 - January 2019, Acting Commander/Deputy Commander, 340th Flying Training Group, JBSA Randolph, Texas
11. January 2019 - May 2020, Acting Chief of Strategic Assessments Division, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
12. May 2020 - May 2022, Vice Wing Commander, 459th Air Refueling Wing, Joint Base Andrews, M.D.
13. June 2022 – February 2024, Mobilization Assistant to the Director, Plans Programs, and Requirements, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, JBSA Randolph, Texas
14. February 2024 – March 2025, Mobilization Assistant to the Director of Strategic Plans, Programs and Requirements, Headquarters Air Force Global Strike Command, Barksdale Air Force Base, L.A.
15. March 2025 – Present, Mobilization Assistant to the Commander, Air Force Global Strike Command, Barksdale Air Force Base, L.A.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Senior Navigator

Flight hours: More than 1,700

Aircraft flown: B-1, T-38, T-39, T-37, T-43

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with oak leaf cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with silver and bronze oak leaf cluster

Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal

Kosovo Campaign Medal with bronze star

Afghanistan Campaign Medal with bronze star

Iraq Campaign Medal with bronze star

Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal

Korean Defense Service Medal

Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster

NATO Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

1995 Distinguished Graduate, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps

2012 Lieutenant General John P. Flynn Award, Best Inspector General Complaints Resolution Program (AFRC)

2015 Reserve Officer Association Outstanding Non-Flying Unit Award

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION *[MILITARY ONLY]*

Second Lieutenant May 31, 1995

First Lieutenant May 31, 1997

Captain May 31, 1999





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

May October 1, 2005

Lieutenant Colonel August 15, 2021

Colonel September 27, 2017

Brigadier General May 20, 2024

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Rear Admiral Michael R. Van Poots

Deputy Commander, Submarine Forces



Rear Admiral Michael R. Van Poots is a native of Sparta, NJ. He is a graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute with both a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering Physics and a Master of Business Administration Degree in Management, holds a Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Applied Management and Decision Science from Walden University and is a graduate of various programs from the Navy Post Graduate School, Naval War College, Joint Forces Staff College, and National Defense University.

His flag officer tours include Commander Undersea Warfighting Development Center (UWDC), Deputy Commander Submarine Force Atlantic (SUBLANT), Deputy Commander Submarine Force Pacific (SUBPAC), Airborne Emergency Action Officer (AEAO) at U.S. Strategic

Command for Operation LOOKING GLASS, in June 2025 he assumed his current duties as Deputy Commander, Submarine Forces (SUBFOR).

His mobilization tours include Inspector General, Joint Task Force - Guantanamo Bay Cuba (JTF-GTMO) Operation ENDURING FREEDOM and Chief of Staff, Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa (CJTF-HOA) Operation AQEA AL QAEDA EAST AFRICA EXORD.

His post command tours include Commander Office of Naval Research Reserve Component (ONR RC), Director Submarine Force Reserve Component (SRFC) and Deputy Commander Navy Reserve Region Readiness and Mobilization Command (REDCOM) Norfolk.

His command tours include Recruiting Support Unit Det. 428, Naval Security Force Naval Support Activity Naples Det. C, Naval Security Force Sugar Grove, Undersea Warfare Operations Det. N, Office of Naval Research Science Technology Det. 104, Office of Naval Research Science Technology Det. 105, and Office of Naval Research Science Technology Headquarters Det. 100.

At sea, his shipboard tours include USS BALTIMORE (SSN 704) and USS MONTPELIER (SSN 765) completing deployments to the Pacific, Northern Atlantic and Arctic Oceans.

Ashore, his staff tours include various submarine and operational related units including Commander Submarine Squadron Six Det. 504, Commander Submarine Group Ten Force Protection Det. 2, US Fleet Forces Maritime Operations Center Det. Greensboro, Chief of Naval Operations for Operations, Plans and Strategy (N3N5) at the Pentagon Navy Command Center, Chief of Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group (SSG 35) and he is designated a US Naval Academy Blue and Gold Officer (BGO) Deputy Area Coordinator.

He received his commission from the Reserve Officer Training Corps program in Troy, NY, in 1995. He is a Level II Joint Qualified Officer. His doctoral dissertation research was conducted on Knowledge Management in Lean Manufacturing implementation.

His personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Aerial Achievement Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal. He has served with crews that have earned the Navy Battle Efficiency 'E' award, and various service, expeditionary, unit and campaign awards.



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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL JASON D. VOORHEIS

Brig. Gen. Jason D. Voorheis is the Program Executive Officer for Fighters and Advanced Aircraft, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. He is responsible for the development, production, fielding, sustainment, and modernization of the Air Force fighter portfolio, which includes the A-10, F-15, F-16, F-22, and special programs; as well as the development of the F-47 program and other advanced aircraft capability development activities, to include the Collaborative Combat Aircraft program.

Voorheis earned his commission through the Officer Training School in 1999. He has served as a program manager in numerous acquisition positions associated with the A-10, Light Attack, F-15, F-16, F-22, F-35, F-47, CCA, KC-46, and B-21 aircraft programs, to include as a Materiel Leader (Squadron Command equivalent) in the F-15 Program Office, and as a Senior Materiel Leader-Lower (Group Command equivalent) and Senior Materiel Leader-Upper (Wing Command equivalent) in the Department of the Air Force Rapid Capability Office. Voorheis previously served as a Security Assistance Officer in Baghdad, Iraq as the acquisition lead for the Iraqi Air Force portfolio of fixed wing platforms and as an Air Advisor to the Iraqi Air Force concerning Foreign Military Sales programs and processes. He has served as a staff officer at the Center, Air Force and OSD levels. He also has served as Executive Officer to the F-16 Program Director, as Aide-de-Camp to the DCMA Director, as deployed Aide-de-Camp to the Commanding General of the Joint Contracting Command for Iraq and Afghanistan, as Executive Officer to the Air Force Life Cycle Management Center Commander, and as the Senior Military Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics and Air Force Service Acquisition Executive.



Brig. Gen. Voorheis is a graduate of the Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy. He previously participated in the Air Force Intern Program and graduated with a master's degree in Organizational Leadership from The George Washington University while also completing internships in the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force for Legislative Liaison and the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics.

EDUCATION:

1997 - Bachelor's Degree in Business Management, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL
1999 - Aerospace Basic Course, Maxwell, AFB, AL
2000 - Master's Degree in Administration, Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, MI
2006 - Squadron Officer School, Maxwell, AFB, AL
2007 - Master's Degree in Organizational Leadership, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.
2008 - Strategic Policy Intern (Air Force Intern Program), Washington D.C.
2016 - Master's Degree in National Resource Strategy, Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. May 1999 - Jun 2000: Logistics Management Specialist, Next Generation Small Loader Program, Sub-systems System Program Office, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, OH
2. Jul 2000 - Jun 2001: Program Manager, Multi-National Fighter Program, F-16 Program Office, WPAFB, OH
3. Jul 2001 - Mar 2002: Executive Officer, F-16 Program Office, WPAFB, OH
4. Apr 2002 - Sept 2004: Director of Combat Support Operations, Defense Contract Management Agency Pacific, Atsugi Naval Air Facility, Japan
5. Oct 2004 - Aug 2005: Aide-de-Camp to the Commander, DCMA Headquarters, Alexandria, VA
6. Sept 2005 - Jul 2006: Staff Contracting Officer, Combat Support Operations Center, DCMA Headquarters, Alexandria, VA
7. Aug 2006 - Jun 2008: Student, Strategic Policy Intern (Air Force Intern Program), Pentagon, Washington D.C.
8. Jul 2008 - Jun 2009: Security Assistance Officer, Multi-National Security Transition Command - Iraq, Baghdad, Iraq
9. Jul 2009 - Jun 2010: A-10 Program Element Monitor, Pentagon, Washington D.C.
10. Jul 2010 - May 2012: Chief of Baseline Control Branch, KC-46 Program Office, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, WPAFB, OH
11. Jun 2012 - Jun 2014: Materiel Leader, F-15 EPAWSS Program, F-15 Program Office, AFLCMC, WPAFB, OH
12. Jul 2014 - Jul 2015: Executive Officer to the Commander, AFLCMC, WPAFB, OH
13. Aug 2015 - Jul 2016: Student, Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy, Fort McNair,

Washington D.C.

14. Aug 2016 – May 2018: Deputy for Tactical Aircraft Systems and F-35 Lead, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, Pentagon, Washington D.C.

15. June 2018 – May 2022: B-21 System Program Director, Department of the Air Force Rapid Capability Office, Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling, Washington D.C.

16. June 2022 – June 2023: Senior Military Assistant, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Pentagon, Washington D.C.

17. July 2023 – Dec 2023: Special Assistant to the Commander, AFMC, WPAFB, OH

18. Dec 2023 – Present: Program Executive Officer for Fighters and Advanced Aircraft, AFLCMC, WPAFB, OH

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit with Oakleaf Cluster

Bronze Star Medal

Defense Meritorious Service Medal with Oakleaf Cluster

Meritorious Service Medal with Three Oakleaf Clusters

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal with Oakleaf Cluster

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal with Oakleaf Cluster

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTIONS:

Second Lieutenant 9 April 1999

First Lieutenant 9 April 2001

Captain 9 April 2003

Major 1 October 2008

Lieutenant Colonel 1 November 2012

Colonel 1 May 2017

Brigadier General 23 January 2024

(Current as of July 2025)





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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL DOUGLAS P. WICKERT

BRIG GEN DOUGLAS P. “BEAKER” WICKERT serves as the Director, Air, Space and Cyberspace Operations, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. He is responsible for shaping the workforce and for stewardship of the infrastructure to develop, test, field, and sustain integrated war-winning capabilities. He is also responsible for AFMC’s policy and resource allocation for test and cyber operations, flight management, airfield services, weather services, and command and control operations.

Brig Gen Wickert commissioned in 1995 as a distinguished graduate from the U.S. Air Force Academy. He is a distinguished graduate of the U.S. Naval Test Pilot School and holds advanced engineering degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and a Ph.D. from the Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT). He has commanded at the Squadron, Group, and Wing level and previously served as the Permanent Professor and Head, Department of Aeronautics, and the Chair of the Engineering Division at the U.S. Air Force Academy. Brig Gen Wickert is a command pilot with combat time supporting multiple operations.



EDUCATION

- 1995 Bachelor of Science, Astronautical Engineering and Mathematics, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Spring, Colo.
- 1997 Master of Science, Aeronautics and Astronautics, MIT, Cambridge, Mass
- 2000 Squadron Officer school, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2004 U.S. Naval Test Pilot School, Patuxent River NAS, Md.
- 2008 Air Command and Staff College, AFIT, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
- 2009 Doctor of Aeronautical Engineering, AFIT, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
- 2016 Master of National Resource Strategy, Eisenhower School, National Defense University, Fort McNair, Washington D.C.
- 2016 Senior Acquisition Course, Defense Acquisition University, National Defense University, Fort McNair, Washington D.C.
- 2018 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N.C.

ASSIGNMENTS OR CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1. July 1995 – June 1997, Student, MIT, Cambridge, Mass.
2. June 1997 – November 1998, Student, Joint Specialize Undergraduate Pilot Training, Vance AFB, Okla.
3. December 1998 – August 1999, Student, F-16, Luke AFB, Ariz.
4. September 1999 – November 2001, F-16 Pilot, Hill AFB, Utah
5. November 2001 – May 2003, F-16 Instructor Pilot, Osan AB, South Korea
6. June 2003 – June 2004, Student, U.S. Naval Test Pilot School, Patuxent River NAS, Md.
7. June 2004 – July 2006, Instructor/Evaluator Test Pilot, Eglin AFB, Fla.
8. August 2006 – September 2009, Doctoral Candidate, A.F. Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
9. September 2009 – December 2009, Service Chief Fellow, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, Arlington, Va.





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10. January 2010 – July 2012, F-35 Special Programs Test and Integration Lead, Arlington, Va.
11. July 2012 – August 2015, Squadron Commander (data masked)
12. August 2015 – June 2016, Student, Eisenhower School, National Defense Univ., Fort McNair Washington D.C.
13. July 2016 – July 2018, Operations Group Commander (data masked)
14. August 2018 – June 2019, Division Chief, Policy, Programs and Resources, Pentagon, Washington D.C.
15. July 2019 – August 2023, Permanent Professor and Head, Department of Aeronautics, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.
16. August 2023 – July 2025, Commander, 412th Test Wing, Edwards AFB, Calif.
17. August 2025 – present, Director, Air, Space and Cyberspace Operations, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: more than 2,000 hours

Aircraft flown: F-16, F-35, F-117 and 40+ other aircraft

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit with three oak leaf clusters

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal

Aerial Achievement Medal with five oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal

Combat Readiness Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant June 1, 1995

First Lieutenant June 1, 1997

Captain June 1, 1999

Major July 1, 2005

Lieutenant Colonel May 1, 2010

Colonel May 1, 2016

Brigadier General October 30, 2024

(Current as of September 2025)





Brigadier General Jeremy Wilson

Deputy Commanding General
U.S. Army Combined Arms Center-Training

Brigadier General Jeremy Wilson was commissioned as an armor officer upon graduation from the Citadel in 1996. Wilson's initial assignment was with 3rd Battalion, 69th Armor Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team ("Raiders"), 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia. There, he served as a tank platoon leader, mortar platoon leader, company executive officer and assistant S3 (plans).

Wilson would be reassigned to 1st Squadron, 7th United States Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas. While there, he served as the B Troop commander and Headquarters and Headquarters Troop commander. In 2004, he deployed his troop in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom as part of the 5th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division.

After completing Naval Command and Staff College, Wilson would be assigned to the 1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division ("Raiders"), at Fort Carson, Colorado. During this time, he deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, conducting operations in both Regional Command-West and Regional Command-South.

Wilson returned to 4th ID to command 1st Battalion, 68th Armor, 3rd Armored Brigade Combat Team, from July 3, 2013 to July 31, 2015. During his time with the "Silver Lions," he supported the Global Response Force mission and deployed to Operation Spartan Shield, conducting missions in support of Operation Inherent Resolve and across the U.S. Central Command area of operations.

Upon graduating from the Army War College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, he was then reassigned to the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, California, where he served as the Chief of Staff. In 2018, Wilson assumed command of the 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas, where he led the brigade deployment in support of Operation Atlantic Resolve. Wilson would go on to serve as the Chief of Staff for the 4th ID from July 2020 - June 2022. He served as the 3rd ID Deputy Commander-Support from 2022 to 2023 and the 3rd ID Deputy Commanding General-Maneuver from 2023 to 2024. Wilson is currently serving as the Deputy Commanding General, Combined Arms Center-Training (CAC-T), Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Wilson is a graduate of both the Naval Command and Staff College, Newport, Rhode Island, and the Army War College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

