

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA BOOK



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GENERAL STEPHEN N. WHITING

COMMANDER

Gen. Stephen N. Whiting is the Commander, U.S. Space Command, headquartered at Peterson Space Force Base, Colo.

As the Commander of U.S. Space Command, General Whiting is responsible for defending U.S. and Allied interests in the space domain while providing space-enabled combat effects to joint warfighters around the globe. He exercises combatant command authority over Soldiers, Marines, Sailors, Airmen, and Guardians operating ground and space-based systems around the world.

General Whiting is a 1989 distinguished graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy with a degree in aeronautical engineering. He is a space operations officer and has commanded the 13th Space Warning Squadron; the 614th Air and Space Operations Center and Joint Space Operations Center; the 21st Space Wing; and the Combined Force Space Component Command and 14th Air Force.



General Whiting's staff assignments include positions at Headquarters U.S. Air Force; U.S. Space Command; U.S. Strategic Command; the Chief of Naval Operations' Strategic Studies Group; the Office of the Deputy Secretary of Defense; Headquarters Air Force Space Command; and Headquarters U.S. Space Force.

Prior to his current position, General Whiting was the Commander, Space Operations Command.

EDUCATION

1989 Distinguished Graduate, Bachelors of Science degree in Aeronautical Engineering, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo.

Senior Fellows



Foresman, George

Honorable, DHS (Ret)

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

Hon. George Foresman is a senior advisor on national security at the University of Virginia. He has over three decades of leadership experience in government and business, with expertise across strategy development, policy, and the operation of complex organizations.

Foresman works with the Capstone and Pinnacle professional military education programs for general/flag officers and Senior Executive Service. Since 2010 he has helped to guide the development of over 2,500 civilian and military senior executives across several hundred organizations.

His experience includes 12 top leadership roles and the design/build of seven high-profile public and private organizations from scratch. His bi-partisan service includes Senate confirmation to top state and federal national security cabinet roles, where among other responsibilities he led the creation of the National Response Framework.

George continues to help advance America's comprehensive approach to managing contingencies. He guides and facilitates whole of government and multi-national



wargames for the defense department and inter-agency, including the US Space Force sponsored Schriever (space) series.

At UVA, Foresman serves as the Executive Director of the National Security Policy Center at the Frank Batten School of Leadership and Public Policy. He also counsels business and government leaders on a range of strategy, policy, operating, financial, and technology issues. He is member of numerous corporate and non-profit Boards, to include serving as a Trustee of the General George C. Marshall Foundation.

George Foresman is a graduate of the Virginia Military Institute and the Virginia Executive Institute. George and his wife Gail live near Charlottesville Virginia. They are the proud parents of two college students.



JOHN M. PAXTON, JR.
GENERAL
UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
(RETIRED)



Former Assistant Commandant of the
Marine Corps



John M. (“Jay”) Paxton is employed as a Highly Qualified Expert - Senior Mentor for the Joint Staff J7 in support of Combatant Command and Joint Task Force Operations and Exercises. He is also employed as a Senior Fellow for the National Defense University in support of the Pinnacle, Capstone, and Keystone programs. Additional federal government work includes membership on the Board of Trustees for the Institute for Defense Analysis, an FFRDC, where he concurrently serves as a Senior Fellow in support of the Defense Science Study Group.

General Paxton was born in Chester, PA and raised in nearby Broomall. He graduated from Cornell University in Ithaca, NY with a Bachelor of Science (1973) and Master of Civil Engineering (1974). He then attended Officer Candidate School in Quantico, VA and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps.

Initial assignments in the operating forces included Rifle and Weapons Platoon Commander and Company Executive Officer in Co. B, 1st Battalion, 3rd Marines followed by Regimental Training Officer for 4th Marines and then Executive Officer, Co. G, 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines. As a Captain he commanded Co. L, 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines. This was preceded and succeeded by service as Battalion Operations Officer. As a Major and LtCol he served as an Operations and Exercise Officer in II MEF and subsequently commanded 1st Battalion, 8th Marines for 27 months. They were redesignated BLT 1/8 and deployed with 22nd MEU in 1993-94 as Landing Force Sixth Fleet in support of stability operations in Bosnia and later as United Nations Quick Reaction Force in Mogadishu, Somalia. Returning to II MEF he served briefly as Deputy G-3 Operations for 2nd Marine Division. As a Colonel, Paxton returned to Camp Pendleton and 1st Marine Division where he was the G-3 Division Operations officer for one year followed by command of 1st Marine Regiment for two years.

His non-fleet tours include Marine Barracks, Washington, DC where he commanded Company B as a Captain and Marine Corps Recruiting Station New York which he commanded for three years as a Major. He served in Plans Division for the Deputy Commandant for Plans, Policies, and Operations as a LtCol. This was followed by a tour as the Executive Assistant and Marine Aide to the Under Secretary of the Navy. Paxton was also designated a Joint Qualified Officer and served initially as Amphibious Operations Officer and concurrently as Executive Officer of the Crisis Action Team at Combined Forces/United States Forces/United Nations Command, Korea.

As a general officer, Paxton served initially as Director, Programs Division, Deputy Commandant Programs and Resources. This was followed by three years as Commanding General of Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego and the Western Recruiting Region. He then assumed command of 1st Marine Division for a year followed by a subsequent year as Chief of Staff for Multi-National Forces – Iraq. He returned to the Joint Staff for just under three years serving most of that tour as J-3, Director of Operations. Returning to the Marine Corps, he assumed command of II Marine Expeditionary Force and Commander Marine Forces Africa. That was succeeded as Commanding General Marine Corps Forces Command, Commanding General Fleet Marine Force Atlantic, and Commander Marine Forces Europe. He was promoted to General on 15 Dec 2012 and served as Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps until his retirement in August of 2016, completing over 42 years of commissioned service.

General Paxton is a graduate of the U.S. Army Infantry Officer Advanced Course and the Marine Corps Command and Staff College. He also served as a Commandant’s Fellow at the Brookings Institute and the Council on Foreign Relations. He lives in northern Virginia with his wife Debbie. They are the proud parents of three adult children.



Raymond, John "Jay"

Gen, USSF (Ret)

General Jay Raymond served as the 1st Chief of Space Operations of the United States Space Force and retired from active duty 1 Jan 2023.

He has commanded national security space units at every level of command from squadron to combatant command. He is recognized as a global leader in all sectors of space operations, including national security, intelligence, commercial, civil and international space.

He deployed as CENTCOM's Director of Space Forces in 2006-2007 and served in Japan from 2011-2012 where he helped lead Operation Tomodachi, a Humanitarian Disaster Relief Operation in response to a earthquake, tsunami and nuclear reactor disaster.



As a transformational leader, Gen Raymond has planned, established, and led large, complex organizations with budgets exceeding \$34B. To include United States Space Command and the United States Space Force.

As the 1st CSO, and our nation's first Guardian, he led the establishment of all new space force organizations, the transfer of personnel from other military branches, the consolidation of space units from other services, the setting of the service's culture and the design of its force structure.

As a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, he served as a strategic advisor to the president, secretary of defense and the National Security Council.

After retiring, Gen Raymond serves as a partner at Cerberus Strategic Capital, an advisor for Geodesic Capital, a director on several company boards, and is affiliated with Center for Strategic and International Studies and the Hoover Institute at Stanford.

Gen Raymond and his wife Mollie reside in Reston Va.



MICHAEL S. ROGERS
ADMIRAL
UNITED STATES NAVY
(RETIRED)

Former Commander,
United States Cyber Command and
Former Director,
National Security Agency



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

Admiral Rogers retired from the U.S. Navy in 2018 after nearly 37 years of naval service rising to the rank of four-star admiral. He culminated his career with a four-year tour as Commander, U.S. Cyber Command and Director, National Security Agency – creating the DoD’s newest combatant command and running the U.S. government’s largest intelligence organization. In those roles he worked with the leadership of the U.S. government, the DoD and the U.S. Intelligence community as well as their international counterparts in the conduct of cyber and intelligence activity across the globe. He also assisted in the development of national and international policy with respect to cyber, intelligence and technology – including extensive work with corporate leadership in the Finance, IT, Telecommunications and Technology sectors.

During his broader service in uniform, Admiral Rogers held positions afloat and ashore around the globe focusing on cyber, intelligence, maritime operations and national security. His joint service was extensive including duty with the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, U.S. Indo Pacific Command and U.S. Atlantic Command. In addition, Admiral Rogers commanded at the unit, Numbered Fleet and service component levels in the Navy.

Admiral Rogers is a graduate of Auburn University and also holds a Masters of Science in National Security. He is a distinguished graduate of the National War College and a graduate of highest distinction from the Naval War College. He is also an MIT Seminar XXI fellow and a Harvard Senior Executive in National Security alum.

Admiral Rogers is currently supporting companies in the private sector, serving as a member of various Boards or acting as a Senior Advisor. He also speaks globally to various business and academic groups and is working internationally in the cyber and national security arenas. He is a Senior Fellow and Adjunct Professor with Northwestern University’s Kellogg School of Managements’ Public Private Initiative and a member of the advisory board of the Australian American Leadership Dialogue. He is also a member of the United States Naval Institute Board of Directors.



Votel, Joseph "Joe"

GEN, USA (Ret)

General Joseph L. Votel is a retired U.S. Army Four-Star officer and the former Commander of the U.S. Central Command – responsible for U.S. and coalition military operations in the Middle East, Levant and Central and South Asia. During his 39 years in the military, he commanded special operations and conventional military forces at every level. His career included combat in Panama, Afghanistan and Iraq. Notably, he led a 79-member coalition that successfully liberated Iraq and Syria from the Islamic State Caliphate. He preceded his assignment at CENTCOM with service as the Commander of U.S. Special Operations Command and the Joint Special Operations Command.



Following his retirement from military service, General Votel served as the President & CEO of Business Executives for National Security (BENS). He is member of the Board of Trustees of Noblis Corporation and a Strategic Advisor for Sierra Nevada Corporation and AGI, Inc. Votel is a Board Director with AeroVironment, Minnesota Wire, DC Capital Partners, Helix Decision Science and a member of the Government Advisory Board for Insight Partners. He a non-resident Distinguished Fellow at the Middle East Institute and the Distinguished Chair of the Combating Terrorism Center at West Point.

General Votel is a member the Executive Boards at Freedom House and the UPenn Center for Ethics and the Rule of Law (CERL). Votel is a current member of the Defense Business Board and the Council on Foreign Relations.

Votel is a 1980 graduate of the United States Military Academy and earned master's degrees from the U.S. Army Command and Staff College and the Army War College.

General Votel resides in Lake Elmo, Minnesota with his wife Michele.

Pinnacle Fellows



Vice Admiral Thomas G. Allan Jr

Acting Deputy Commandant for Operations U.S. Coast Guard

Vice Admiral Tom Allan assumed the duties as the Acting Deputy Commandant for Operations (DCO) in January 2025. In this capacity, he is responsible for the development of operational strategy, policy, guidance, and resources that address national priorities. This oversight of Coast Guard missions, programs, and services includes: intelligence; international affairs; cyber; the maritime transportation system; commercial regulations and inspections; search and rescue; maritime security; law enforcement; defense operations; environmental response; contingency planning; and the operational capabilities of cutter, boat, aviation, shore, and deployable specialized forces.

Vice Admiral Allan most recently served as the Deputy Commandant for Mission Support, responsible for leading the 17,000-person organization that delivers the people and systems that enable the Coast Guard to perform its operational missions through all facets of mission support; including the oversight of the recruitment, development, and retention of human capital, the acquisition of complex surface, aviation, and C4IT systems, the overall lifecycle engineering and logistics required to maintain and support Coast Guard assets, information technology, and security.

Vice Admiral Allan's previous Flag assignments also include: Director of Operations – J3, United States Southern Command (U.S. SOUTHCOM) where he oversaw all operations, activities, and investments within U.S. SOUTHCOM's vast area of responsibility encompassing 31 countries and 12 dependencies and areas of special sovereignty; Commander, First Coast Guard District, where he oversaw all Coast Guard missions across eight states in the Northeast, including over 2,000 miles of coastline from the U.S.-Canadian border to northern New Jersey and 1300 miles offshore; Assistant Commandant for Resources and Chief Financial Officer for the U.S. Coast Guard (CG-8) where he was responsible for all budgetary, financial and resource management activities relating to the programs and operations of the Coast Guard.

Vice Admiral Allan is a career operations ashore officer with tours across multiple units with a concentration in boat forces operations. His operational tours include Coast Guard Cutter HAMILTON, operating throughout the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans; Coast Guard Intelligence Coordination Center in Suitland, Maryland; Group/Marine Safety Office Portland, Oregon; Response Department Head and Deputy Group Commander for Sector Charleston, South Carolina; and as the Commander of Sector Jacksonville, serving as the Captain of the Port, Federal Maritime Security Coordinator, Federal On-Scene Coordinator, and Search and Rescue Mission Coordinator, responsible for a \$30 billion Maritime Transportation System with 3 nationally strategic ports.

Vice Admiral Allan also served in various staff tours including the Executive Assistant to the 25th Commandant; Chief of Congressional and Governmental Affairs; Special Assistant to the 24th Commandant; Chief of Resources and Requirements for the Deployable Operations Group; and Chief of the Office of Financial Policy and Programs Division.

A native of Bowie, Maryland, Vice Admiral Allan earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Management from the U.S. Coast Guard academy. He later earned a Master of Business Administration from the University of Baltimore in Baltimore, Maryland and completed the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Seminar XXI.

Vice Admiral Allan's military awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Coast Guard Legion of Merit, the Coast Guard Meritorious Service Medal, the Coast Guard Commendation Medal, and the Coast Guard Achievement Medal.

Vice Admiral Allan is married to the former Kim Mulford from North Stonington, Connecticut, and they have four children and three grandchildren.



LIEUTENANT GENERAL SHAWN N. BRATTON

Lt. Gen. Shawn N. Bratton is the Deputy Chief of Space Operations, Strategy, Plans, Programs and Requirements, United States Space Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. As the Chief Strategy and Resourcing Officer, Lt. Gen. Bratton has overall responsibility for the strategies, requirements, and budget of the United States Space Force.

Lt. Gen. Bratton received his commission from the Academy of Military Science in Knoxville, Tennessee. Prior to his commissioning Lt. Gen. Bratton served as an enlisted member of the 107th Air Control Squadron, Arizona Air National Guard. He has served in numerous operational and staff positions. Lt. Gen. Bratton is a graduate of the United States Air Force Weapons School. He deployed to the Air Component Coordination Element, Camp Victory Iraq for Operation Iraqi Freedom, he served as the U.S. Northern Command Director of Space Forces, commanded the 175th Cyberspace Operations Group, and served as the Deputy Director for Operations, United States Space Command.

Prior to this assignment, Lt. Gen. Bratton served as the first Commander, Space Training and Readiness Command.



EDUCATION

- 1993 Bachelor of Arts, Secondary Education, Arizona State University, Tempe.
- 1994 Academy of Military Science, Knoxville, Tenn.
- 1999 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2005 Master’s Certificate, Homeland Security Studies, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.
- 2005 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2010 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2011 Naval War College, Newport, R.I., in residence
- 2011 Master of National Security Studies, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. March–April 1987, Basic Training, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
2. April 1987–December 1987, Student, Aircraft Control and Early Warning Systems, Keesler AFB, Miss.
3. January 1988–September 1994, Aircraft Control and Warning Radar Technician, 107th Air Control Squadron, Arizona Air National Guard, Phoenix, Ariz.
4. September–October 1994, Student, Academy of Military Science, Knoxville, Tenn.
5. October 1994–August 1999, Communications Officer, 107th Air Control Squadron, Phoenix, Ariz.
6. August 1999–March 2000, Operations Officer (J3), Joint Counter-Narcotics Task Force, Phoenix, Ariz.
7. March 2000–December 2003, Action Officer, Headquarters Air Force Space Command/CG, Peterson AFB, Colo.
8. January 2003–June 2003, Student, U.S. Air Force Weapons School, Nellis AFB, Nev.
9. July 2003–July 2005, Chief, Weapons and Tactics, Headquarters AFSPC/A3, Peterson AFB, Colo.
10. August 2005–July 2007, Weapons Officer, Det. 2, Arizona Air National Guard, Sky Harbor International Airport, Phoenix, Ariz.
11. August 2007–July 2010, ANG Advisor to Commander, 14th Air Force, Vandenberg AFB, Calif.
12. August 2010–June 2011, Student, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.
13. June 2011–February 2014, ANG Advisor to AFSPC/A3 and A6, Peterson AFB, Colo.
14. March 2014–May 2015, ANG Advisor to the Commander, AFSPC, Peterson AFB, Colo.
15. May 2015–June 2017, Commander, 175th Cyberspace Operations Group, Warfield ANGB, Md.
16. July 2017–January 2019, ANG Advisor to the Commander, AFSPC, Peterson AFB, Colo.
17. January 2019 – August 2019, Deputy Director of Operations, Plans, and Training, Joint Force Space Component Command, Peterson AFB, Colo.
18. April 2019–August 2019, Special Assistant to the Chief National Guard Bureau for Space, Schriever AFB, Colo.
19. August 2019–February 2021, Deputy Director of Operations, United States Space Command, Schriever AFB, Colorado
20. February 2021–August 2021, Space Training and Readiness Lead, United States Space Force, Peterson AFB, Colo.

Second Lieutenant September 29, 1994	
First Lieutenant September 30, 1996	
Captain October 03, 1998	
Major October 17, 2002	
Lieutenant Colonel August 01, 2007	
Colonel May 26, 2011	
Brigadier General April 02, 2019	
Major General February 17, 2022	
Lieutenant General December 02, 2023	

21. August 2021–July 2023, Commander, Space Training and Readiness Command, United States Space Force, Peterson Space Force Base, Colo.

22. July 2023–present, Deputy Chief of Space Operations for Strategy, Plans, Programs, and Requirements, United States Space Force, the Pentagon, Arlington Va.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Distinguished Service Medal

Defense Superior Service Medal

Bronze Star

Meritorious Service Medal with devices

Air Force Commendation Medal with devices

Air Force Achievement Medal with devices

Joint Meritorious Unit Award

Iraq Campaign Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

USAF NCO PME Graduate Ribbon

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

USAF Weapons School, Distinguished Graduate

Officer Space Prerequisite Training, Top Graduate

Squadron Officer School, Distinguished Graduate

Academy of Military Science, Distinguished Graduate

NCO Preparatory School, Distinguished Graduate

(Current as of March 2024)





RICHARD LEE BUANGAN
Ambassador to Mongolia

Richard L. Buangan is a career member of the Senior Foreign Service who joined the U.S. Department of State in 1999. He is currently serving as the 12th U.S. Ambassador to Mongolia.

Richard's overseas assignments have included Chief of the Public Diplomacy Section at the U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem, Press Attaché at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing, as well as assignments in Paris and Abidjan. He most recently served as Acting Assistant Secretary of State and as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Bureau of Global Public Affairs (GPA). He previously was a Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Diplomacy and Regional Security Policy in the Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs and served as Executive Assistant to Secretary of State Michael R. Pompeo. He has held other positions in GPA, including Managing Director for International Media and Director of the Office of Digital Engagement, and he has worked on the Executive Secretariat Staff. Richard has received numerous State Department awards and honors.

Born and raised in San Diego, California, Richard holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Economics *Magna Cum Laude* from St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas, and speaks French, Spanish, and Mandarin Chinese.



United States Navy
Biography →

REAR ADMIRAL MICHAEL P. DONNELLY

**DIRECTOR, AIR WARFARE DIVISION, N98, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF
OF NAVAL OPERATIONS**

Rear Adm. Michael “Buzz” Donnelly is a native of Kent Island, Maryland. He is a 1989 graduate of Villanova University and was commissioned via the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps. He is also a 2002 graduate of the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island.



As a naval flight officer, Donnelly made deployments flying the F-14A/B/D Tomcat and F/A-18F Super Hornet. He served as commanding officer for Strike Fighter Squadron 154 (VFA-154); the last commanding officer of USS DENVER (LPD 9) forward deployed to Sasebo, Japan; commanding officer of USS RONALD REAGAN (CVN 76) forward deployed to Yokosuka, Japan and commander of Task Force SEVEN ZERO / Carrier Strike Group FIVE permanently embarked onboard USS RONALD REAGAN (CVN 76).

Ashore, Donnelly served on the International Military Staff at NATO Headquarters in Brussels, Belgium, and two tours with the Air Warfare Directorate (N88/N98), OPNAV Staff, Pentagon, as Naval Aviation’s F/A-18 Requirements officer and as Aircraft Carrier Requirements branch head. He also served as the 37th commander of U.S. Naval Forces Korea and Commander, Navy Region Korea. Donnelly assumed the duties of Director, Air Warfare (N98), OPNAV Staff, Pentagon on 4 August 2023.



LIEUTENANT GENERAL MICHAEL L. DOWNS

Lt. Gen. Michael L. Downs is the Associate Director for Military Affairs, Central Intelligence Agency, Washington, D.C. In this role, he serves as military advisor to the Director, CIA, and leads the coordination and integration of CIA and Department of Defense efforts to maximize U.S. advantage globally.

Prior to his current position, Lt. Gen. Downs served as Vice Director of the Joint Staff at the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. In that role, he synchronized the Joint Staff to enable unified strategic direction and ensured effective information flow across services, combatant commands, the Office of the Secretary of Defense, and interagency partners to provide timely recommendations to the Secretary of Defense and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in support of national security objectives.

Lt. Gen. Downs attended Texas A&M, where he was commissioned as an ROTC Distinguished Graduate in 1992. He has participated in joint and combined operations in the Central Command, European Command, Indo-Pacific Command, and Southern Command areas of responsibility. He has commanded at the squadron, group, and wing levels. His staff assignments include Headquarters tours at Air Force Special Operations Command, United States Forces Korea, Combined Forces Command, United Nations Command, Air Staff and Joint Staff.



EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant March 09, 1993	
First Lieutenant March 09, 1995	
Captain March 09, 1997	
Major June 01, 2003	
Lieutenant Colonel September 01, 2007	
Colonel September 01, 2011	
Brigadier General November 01, 2017	
Major General May 07, 2021	
Lieutenant General December 02, 2024	

EDUCATION

- 1992 Bachelor of Political Science, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas
- 1997 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2000 Master of Organizational Management, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C.
- 2000 Master of Public Administration, Troy State University, Washington, D.C.
- 2005 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2006 Naval Command and Staff College, Naval Station Newport, Newport, R.I.
- 2008 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2011 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2017 Senior Joint Information Operations Applications Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2018 Capstone, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 2021 Advanced Senior Leader Development Seminar (ASLDS), Airlie Center, Warrenton, Va.
- 2022 Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N.C.
- 2023 UK Pinnacle, Royal College of Defence Studies, London, United Kingdom

ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1993–March 1994, Student, Fundamentals of Intelligence/Intelligence Applications Course, Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas
2. March 1994–June 1995, Chief of Targeting and Intelligence Officer, 39th Operational Support Squadron, Incirlik Air Base, Turkey
3. June 1995–July 1998, Chief, Contingency Operations Intelligence and Intelligence Analyst, Headquarters Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
4. July 1998–August 2000, Air Force Intern, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
5. August 2000–October 2002, Targets and Readiness Flight Commander, 32nd Air Intelligence Squadron, Ramstein AB, Germany
6. October 2002–October 2003, Chief of Training and Exercises, 32nd Air Operations Group, Ramstein AB, Germany
7. October 2003–May 2004, Current Operations Flight Commander, 13th Intelligence Squadron, Beale Air Force Base, Calif.
8. May 2004–June 2005, Director of Operations, 9th Intelligence Squadron, Beale AFB, Calif.
9. June 2005–July 2006, Director of Operations, 13th Intelligence Squadron, Beale AFB, Calif.
10. July 2006–June 2007, Student, Naval Command and Staff College, Newport, R.I.
11. June 2007–June 2008, Speechwriter for the Vice Chief of Staff of the Air Force, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
12. June 2008–June 2010, Commander, 303rd Intelligence Squadron, Osan AB, South Korea
13. June 2010–June 2011, Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

14. June 2011–June 2013, Commander, 707th Intelligence, Surveillance, Reconnaissance Group, Fort George G. Meade, Md.
15. June 2013–June 2015, Chief Reconnaissance, Space and Missile Defense Division, Joint Staff J-3, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
16. June 2015–August 2017, Commander, 17th Training Wing, Goodfellow AFB, Texas
17. August 2017–May 2018, Director, Future Warfare, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
18. May 2018–August 2020, Director of Intelligence, U.S. Forces Korea, United Nations Command, and Deputy Director of Intelligence, Combined Forces Command at Yongsan Garrison, Seoul, South Korea
19. August 2020–June 2021, Vice Director for Intelligence, Joint Staff J-2, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
20. June 2021–May 2023, Deputy Director for ISR Operations, Joint Staff J-32, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
21. May 2023–November 2024, Vice Director, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
22. December 2024–present, Associate Director for Military Affairs, Central Intelligence Agency, Washington, D.C.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 2013–June 2015, Chief Reconnaissance, Space and Missile Defense Division, Joint Staff J-3, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as colonel
2. May 2018–August 2020, Director of Intelligence, U.S. Forces Korea, United Nations Command, and Deputy Director of Intelligence, Combined Forces Command at Yongsan Garrison, Seoul, South Korea, as a brigadier general
3. August 2020–June 2021, Vice Director for Intelligence, Joint Staff J-2, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a brigadier general and major general
4. June 2021–May 2023, Deputy Director for ISR Operations, Joint Staff J-32, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a major general
5. May 2023–November 2024, Vice Director, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a major general
6. December 2024–present, Associate Director for Military Affairs, Central Intelligence Agency, Washington, D.C., as a lieutenant general

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster
Bronze Star
Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Air and Space Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Joint Service Achievement Medal
Joint Meritorious Unit Award with two oak leaf clusters
Air and Space Outstanding Unit Award with one "V" device and seven oak leaf clusters
Air and Space Recognition Ribbon
National Defense Service Medal with one service star
Southwest Asia Service Medal with one service star
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
Cheon-Su National Security Medal from the Republic of Korea

(Current as of January 2025)



Lieutenant General M R Elviss CB MBE



Mike Elviss commissioned into the Royal Regiment of Artillery in August 1995, joining 29th Commando Regiment RA, and then returned to the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst as an instructor before his initial selection for sub-unit command in 2002. He deployed to Iraq twice in 2003 in artillery and infantry roles. Attendance on the Advanced Command and Staff Course followed prior to his appointment as Chief of Staff 20th Armoured Brigade and a return to Iraq. In 2008 he returned to battery command and deployed to Afghanistan.

Elviss became Military Assistant to the Commander of the Allied Rapid Reaction Corps in 2009 and was subsequently the Military Assistant to the Deputy Commander of the International Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan. He assumed command of 1st Regiment RHA in September 2011 and commanded the Task Force Helmand Joint Fires and Targeting Group throughout Operation HERRICK 18.

In March 2014 he was appointed Assistant Head Operations of the Afghanistan and Pakistan Current Commitments Team in the Operations Directorate of the Ministry of Defence. After attendance on the Higher Command and Staff Course in 2015 he returned to the Operations Directorate as Head Operations Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, and Syria.

Elviss commanded 20th Armoured Infantry Brigade between July 2016 and July 2018, including a year as NATO's Very High Readiness Task Force (Land) and the Vanguard Armoured Infantry Brigade. He became a member of the Royal College of Defence Studies in September 2018 prior to filling the post of Assistant Chief of Staff Field Army.

Elviss became General Officer Commanding 3rd (UK) Division in February 2020 and was subsequently Chief of Staff (Operations) at the UK's Permanent Joint Headquarters between October 2021 and February 2024.

Lieutenant General Elviss assumed command of the Field Army on 18 March 2024.



Vice Admiral Dion D. English

Director for Logistics, J-4, Joint Staff



Vice Adm. Dion English is a native of Monroeville, Alabama, and of Slidell, Louisiana. English entered the Navy's Broadened Opportunity for Officer Selection and Training program in 1987. In 1993, he graduated from Louisiana State University and was subsequently commissioned through the Navy Reserve Officers' Training Corps program at Southern University. He earned master's degrees in Business Administration from Old Dominion University and in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College. He is also a 2007 graduate of the Joint Forces Staff College and attended the Executive Program in Strategy and Organization at the Stanford Graduate School of Business.

His afloat assignments include disbursing and sales officer, USS Scott (DDG 995); cargo and stock control officer, USNS San Diego (T-AFS 6); supply officer, USS Barry (DDG 52); and commanding officer, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Expeditionary Support Unit ONE.

His shore assignments include ship force support officer, Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Newport News, Virginia; executive assistant to the Commander, Defense Supply Center Columbus, Ohio; deputy logistics operations officer, Joint Task Force Civil Support (JTF-CS), Fort Monroe, Virginia; logistics readiness officer, Logistics Current Operations Division, N4 Directorate for Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet (USPACFLT); director, Supply Corps Detailing, Navy Personnel Command (PERS-4412), Millington, Tennessee; commanding officer, Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP) Fleet Logistics Center (FLC) Sigonella, Italy; and deputy director, supply and distribution, J44, Joint Staff, Washington, District of Columbia.

His flag assignments include director, logistics, fleet supply and ordnance, N4, USPACFLT, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii; vice director, logistics, J-4, Joint Staff; and director, logistics division, N4L, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations.

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

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



Vice Admiral Robert M. “Rob” Gaucher

**Commander, Naval Submarine Forces; Commander, Submarine Force,
U.S. Atlantic Fleet; Commander, Allied Submarine Command**



Vice Adm. Gaucher is a native of Pittsfield, Massachusetts. He is a 1991 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Systems Engineering. He also holds a Master of Science in Engineering Management from the University of Central Florida.

Gaucher’s operational assignments include service in both fast attack and ballistic missile submarines including service as division officer, USS Flying Fish (SSN 673), navigator/operations officer, USS Oklahoma City (SSN 723), executive officer, USS Maryland (SSBN 738) (BLUE), commanding officer, USS City of Corpus Christi (SSN 705), and Commodore, Submarine Development Squadron 5.

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

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

During his command tour, USS City of Corpus Christi completed two Western Pacific mission cycles, and a homeport change to Pearl Harbor, Hawaii while earning two Meritorious Unit Commendations and the Submarine Squadron 15 Battle Efficiency ‘E’. While serving in major command of Development Squadron Five he was responsible for the Seawolf class submarines, Unmanned Undersea Vehicle Squadron 1, and several special project ocean engineering and research and development detachments. DEVRON 5 earned the Navy Unit Commendation during his tour.

Gaucher’s flag tours include director, Maritime Headquarters (N03), U.S. Pacific Fleet, Commander, Submarine Group 9/Task Group 114.3 where he commanded Pacific ballistic and guided missile submarines, and director, Strategic Integration (N2N6T) on the Navy staff. Most recently he was assigned as a Special Assistant at U.S. Fleet Forces Command.

Gaucher assumed his current duties in December 2023 as commander, Submarine Forces. He is the undersea domain lead, and is responsible for the submarine force’s strategic vision. As commander, Submarine Force Atlantic, he commands all Atlantic-based U.S. submarines, their crews and supporting shore activities. These responsibilities also include duties as commander, Task Force (CTF) 114, CTF 88, and CTF 46. As commander, Allied Submarine Command, he is the principle undersea warfare advisor to all North Atlantic Treaty Organization strategic commanders.

Gaucher has earned various personal and unit awards and is particularly honored to be recognized as an Honorary Acoustic Intelligence (ACINT) Specialist.



LTG William J. Hartman Deputy Commander, U.S. Cyber Command

Lieutenant General William J. Hartman assumed his present duties as Deputy Commander, U.S. Cyber Command, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland on January 16, 2024. USCYBERCOM directs, synchronizes and coordinates cyberspace planning and operations to defend and advance national interests in collaboration with domestic and international partners.

He previously served as the Commander, Cyber National Mission Force. A native of Mobile, Alabama, LTG Hartman is a Distinguished Military Graduate of the University of South Alabama, where he received his commission through the Reserve Officer's Training Corps as an Infantry Officer.

LTG Hartman served in multiple positions as an Infantry, Military Intelligence, and Cyberspace Operations Officer, with assignments in the United States, Italy, Germany, the Republic of Korea, Iraq, Afghanistan, and Turkey.

LTG Hartman has commanded a company, battalion, brigade, and Special Mission Unit, and served as the senior intelligence officer at the battalion and regimental level for the 75th Ranger Regiment, and multiple tours as a SOCOM Joint Task Force S2.

LTG Hartman is a graduate of the Infantry Officer Basic Course, the Military Intelligence Officer Advanced Course, Air Command and Staff College, School of Advanced Military Science, Senior Service College Fellowship with the CIA, and the Joint and Combined Warfighting School. He holds degrees from the University of South Alabama, Air University, and U.S. Army Command and General Staff College.

LTG Hartman's awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster, Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf clusters, the Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf clusters, the Joint Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster, and the Army Achievement Medal with oak leaf clusters. He is qualified to wear the Ranger Tab, Master Parachutist Badge, the Combat Infantry Badge, and the Combat Action Badge. LTG Hartman was designated as a Distinguished Member of the 75th Ranger Regiment in 2007.

LTG Hartman and his wife are the proud parents of two children.

(CURRENT AS OF January 2024)

MAJOR-GENERAL I.S. HUDDLESTON, OMM, CD
DEPUTY VICE CHIEF OF THE DEFENCE STAFF



Major-General (MGen) Iain Huddleston enrolled in the Canadian Armed Forces in 1989, graduating with a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering from the Royal Military College in 1994. After completing wings training in 1995, he flew with both 415 and 404 Maritime Patrol Squadrons flying the CP-140 Aurora at 14 Wing Greenwood in Nova Scotia.

In late 2002, he was posted on exchange with the Royal Air Force (RAF) in Scotland, where he flew the Nimrod MR2 with 206 and then CXX Squadron. Promoted to Major in 2003, MGen Huddleston deployed to the Middle East twice with the RAF, operating from Muscat, Oman and Basrah, Iraq. Returning to Canada in August 2006, he was selected as aide-de-camp to the Chief of the Defence Staff, General (retired) Rick Hillier.

In 2009, he was promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel and appointed Commanding Officer 429 Transport Squadron, operating the CC-177 Globemaster III at 8 Wing Trenton. MGen Huddleston deployed to Kandahar Airfield in Afghanistan as the Joint Headquarters Plans Officer, serving thereafter with the Strategic Joint Staff and Defence Renewal Team in Ottawa. He was promoted to Colonel in June 2013 and appointed Commanding Officer 14 Wing Greenwood where he led the Long Range Patrol Force in operationalizing and deploying the modernized Block III CP-140 Aurora on Operation IMPACT.

In 2015, MGen Huddleston attended the Royal College of Defence Studies in London, UK and then returned to Canada to become Director Fleet Readiness at 1 Canadian Air Division Headquarters in Winnipeg, Manitoba. In June 2018, he was promoted to Brigadier-General and served as both 1 Canadian Air Division Deputy Commander Force Generation and Deputy Commander. Posted to the Air Staff in Ottawa in July 2020, he became Director General Air and Space Readiness and, upon his promotion to Major-General in May 2021, he served as Chief of Staff for the Canadian Joint Operations Command Headquarters.

In July 2022, MGen Huddleston assumed command of 1 Canadian Air Division in Winnipeg, commanding the Division for two years until he was posted back to Ottawa in July 2024 as the Deputy Vice Chief of the Defence Staff. He has 5,600 total flying hours across several airframes and resides in Ottawa with his wife and two children.



LIEUTENANT GENERAL LAURA L. LENDERMAN

Lt. Gen. Laura L. Lenderman is the Deputy Commander, Pacific Air Forces, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, and the Deputy Theater Air Component Commander to the Commander, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command. PACAF is responsible for Air Force activities spread over half the globe. The command supports 46,000 Airmen serving principally in Japan, Korea, Hawaii, Alaska and Guam.

Lt. Gen. Lenderman commissioned through the ROTC program at Duke University and earned an Electrical Engineering degree. She has commanded at the squadron, group and wing levels to include the 375th Air Mobility Wing at Scott AFB, Illinois and the 502nd Air Base Wing at Joint Base San Antonio, Texas. The general also served as Director of Operations, Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Integration, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. Prior to her current assignment, Lt. Gen. Lenderman served as the the Director of Operations, Headquarters U.S. Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois.



EDUCATION

- 1993 Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering, Duke University, Durham, N.C.
- 1998 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2000 Master of Science, Business Administration and Organizational Management, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C.
- 2006 Master of Science, Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2007 Master of Science, Airpower Art and Science, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 2008 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2010 National Security Research Fellow, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
- 2016 Air Force Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N.C.
- 2023 Combined Forces Air Component Commander Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. March 1994–March 1995, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.
2. March 1995–July 1998, KC-135R Pilot/Aircraft Commander, Grand Forks AFB, N.D.
3. July 1998–August 2000, Student, Air Force Intern Program, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
4. August 2000–August 2003, KC-135R Instructor Pilot, Fairchild AFB, Wash.
5. August 2003–July 2005, KC-135R Instructor/Evaluator Pilot, Altus AFB, Okla.
6. July 2005–June 2006, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
7. June 2006–June 2007, Student, School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
8. June 2007–June 2009, Commander, 15th Air Mobility Operations Squadron, Travis AFB, Calif.
9. June 2009–June 2010, National Security Research Fellow, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
10. June 2010–July 2012, Chief, Commander's Action Group and Executive Officer to the Commander, Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, Ill.
11. July 2012–August 2013, Vice Commander, 380th Air Expeditionary Wing, Southwest Asia
12. August 2013–August 2015, Chief, Analysis Branch, Program and Budget Analysis Division, Joint Staff J-8, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
13. August 2015–August 2017, Commander, 375th Air Mobility Wing, Scott AFB, Ill.
14. August 2017–June 2018, Deputy Director-Military, Strategic Plans, Policy and Logistics, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott AFB, Ill.
15. June 2018–June 2020, Commander, 502nd Air Base Wing and Joint Base San Antonio, Texas
16. June 2020–July 2021, Director of Plans, Programs, and Requirements, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command,

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant September 21, 1993	
First Lieutenant September 21, 1995	
Captain September 21, 1997	
Major February 01, 2004	
Lieutenant Colonel September 01, 2007	
Colonel September 01, 2011	
Brigadier General August 01, 2018	
Major General May 07, 2021	
Lieutenant General February 23, 2024	

Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph, Texas

17. July 2021–August 2022, Director of Operations, Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Integration, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, Ill.

18. August 2022–January 2024, Director of Operations, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott AFB, Ill.

19. January 2024–present, Deputy Commander, Headquarters Pacific Air Forces, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 2013–August 2015, Chief, Analysis Branch, Program and Budget Analysis Division, Joint Staff J-8, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a colonel

2. August 2017–June 2018, Deputy Director-Military, Strategic Plans, Policy and Logistics, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott AFB, Ill., as a colonel

3. August 2022–January 2024, Director of Operations, U.S. Transportation Command, Scott AFB, Ill., as a major general

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: more than 3,000

Aircraft flown: KC-135R/T, KC-10, KC-46 and C-21A

PUBLICATIONS

January 2008, "The Rise of Air Mobility and Its Generals," Air University Press

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Distinguished Service Medal

Defense Superior Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster

Bronze Star Medal

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with silver oak leaf cluster

Air and Space Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air and Space Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

(Current as of April 2024)





Rear Admiral Curt Renshaw

Director, J-3, U.S. Central Command



Rear Adm. Curt A. Renshaw is a native of New Albany, Indiana. He graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1990 with a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry. He holds a Master of Science in Operations Research from the Naval Post Graduate School.

His sea tours include Repair Officer and Aegis Fire Control Officer on USS Shiloh (CG 67); Weapons and Combat Systems Officer on USS Anzio (CG 68); Commanding Officer of USS Patriot (MCM 7); USS Independence (LCS-2); USS Robert Smalls (CG 62) where he also served as Air Defense Commander for Commander, Task Force Seven Zero; and Commander, Carrier Strike Group EIGHT.

Renshaw has completed operational deployments in all Navy theaters of operation. His commands have earned Battle Efficiency awards, Golden Anchor Retention Excellence awards, the CNO Safety Award, and the Spokane Trophy as the most combat ready ship in Pacific Fleet.

Ashore, Renshaw served as Deputy Commander, US Naval Forces Central Command; Executive Assistant to the Vice Chief of Naval Operations; Special Assistant to the Assistant Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Detailer and Deputy Director, Surface Warfare Officer Assignments in the Bureau of Naval Personnel; and in the Commander, Naval Surface Forces Command staff.

Renshaw's awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (two awards), Navy Meritorious Service Medal (four awards), Navy Commendation Medal (three awards) and the Navy Achievement Medal (two awards) and other various personal, unit, and service awards.



LIEUTENANT GENERAL REBECCA J. SONKISS

Lt. Gen. Rebecca J. Sonkiss is the Deputy Commander, Air Mobility Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. The command serves as U.S. Transportation Command's air component, executing the air mobility mission in support of the joint force, allies and partners. The command encompasses Eighteenth Air Force, the U.S. Air Force Expeditionary Center, the 618th Air Operations Center, 17 wings and two groups, which provide rapid global mobility from more than 100 locations worldwide. Air Mobility Command includes over 40,000 active duty personnel, nearly 8,000 civilians, and 551 aircraft. The Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve add another 56,000 Airmen and civilians and 512 aircraft that operate in support of national defense. The command's missions include providing command and control of inter-theater and intra-theater airlift, air refueling, aeromedical evacuation, global air mobility support and presidential and senior leader air transport in support of national interests.

Lt. Gen. Sonkiss graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1994. She commanded the 15th Airlift Squadron through two deployments, was the Vice Commander of the 455th Air Expeditionary Wing, Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan and commanded the 62nd Airlift Wing at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington. Lt. Gen. Sonkiss also commanded the 89th Airlift Wing, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland. She is a command pilot with more than 4,400 hours, including 1,377 combat hours in nine different Air Force manned and remotely piloted aircraft.

Prior to her current assignment, Lt. Gen. Sonkiss served as the Deputy Commander, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Florida, where, as the Air Force component of U.S. Special Operations Command, she provided approximately 20,800 active duty, Reserve, Air National Guard and civilian professionals for worldwide deployment and assignment to unified combatant commanders.

EDUCATION

- 1994 Bachelor of Science, Engineering Mechanics, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 2001 Squadron Officer School, Distinguished Graduate, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
- 2005 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2006 Master of Science, Aeronautical Science, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Fla.
- 2007 Master of Science, Strategic Intelligence, Asia Regional Specialty, National Defense Intelligence College, Defense Intelligence Agency, Bolling AFB, Washington, D.C.
- 2011 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2014 Master of Science, Distinguished Graduate and Research Writing Award Recipient, National Resource Strategy, National Defense University, Dwight D. Eisenhower School, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 2018 Air Force Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- 2022 Combined/Joint Forces Land Component Course, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.
- 2022 Combined Forces Air Component Commander Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1994–February 1995, Executive Officer, 54th Operations Group, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.
2. February 1995–August 1995, Student, Joint Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training, Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas
3. August 1995–April 1996, Student, Joint Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training, Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, Texas
4. August 1996–October 1999, Squadron Scheduler, Squadron Chief of Safety, Aircraft Commander, EC-130E, 42nd Airborne Command and Control Squadron, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
5. October 1999–December 2001, Squadron Chief of Safety, Training Flight Commander, B-Flight Commander, Evaluator Pilot, RQ-1A/B, 11th Reconnaissance Squadron, Creech AFB, Nev.
6. December 2001–May 2002, Student, C-17 Initial Aircraft Commander Qualification Course, Altus AFB, Okla.
7. May 2002–August 2005, Squadron Operations Controller, Squadron Executive Officer, Wing Executive Officer, Instructor



EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant June 01, 1994	
First Lieutenant June 01, 1996	
Captain June 01, 1998	
Major September 01, 2004	
Lieutenant Colonel August 01, 2009	
Colonel October 01, 2014	
Brigadier General July 03, 2020	
Major General December 05, 2023	
Lieutenant General October 04, 2024	

- Aircraft Commander, C-17A, 8th Airlift Squadron, 62nd Airlift Wing, McChord AFB, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash.
8. August 2005–August 2006, Unmanned Aircraft Systems Career Field Manager, Operational Training Division, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
 9. August 2006–August 2007, Student, National Defense Intelligence College, Defense Intelligence Agency, Bolling AFB, Washington, D.C.
 10. August 2007–May 2010, Chief, 437th Airlift Wing Objective Wing Command Post, Director of Operations, 17th Airlift Squadron, Evaluator Aircraft Commander, C-17A, Charleston AFB, S.C.
 11. May 2010–May 2012, Commander, 15th Airlift Squadron, Charleston AFB, S.C.
 12. June 2012–June 2013, Executive Officer to the Commander, Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, Ill.
 13. July 2013–June 2014, Student, Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
 14. June 2014–July 2016, U.S. Transportation Command Liaison to U.S. Central Command and U.S. Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, Fla.
 15. July 2016–July 2017, Vice Commander, 455th Air Expeditionary Wing, Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan
 16. July 2017–May 2018, Commander, 62nd Airlift Wing, JB Lewis-McChord, Wash.
 17. June 2018–June 2020, Commander, 89th Airlift Wing, JB Andrews, Md.
 18. July 2020–May 2022, Deputy Director, Counter Threats and International Cooperation (J-5), the Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
 19. May 2022–June 2023, Commander, 618th Air Operations Center (Tanker Airlift Control Center), Scott AFB, Ill.
 20. June 2023–October 2024, Deputy Commander, Air Force Special Operations Command, Hurlburt Field, Fla.
 21. October 2024–present, Deputy Commander, Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, Ill.

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 2014–July 2016, U.S. Transportation Command Liaison to U.S. Central Command and U.S. Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, Fla., as a colonel
2. July 2020–May 2022, Deputy Director, Counter Threats and International Cooperation (J-5), the Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va., as a brigadier general

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: command pilot

Flight hours: more than 4,400

Aircraft flown: T-37B, T-44, C-130E, EC-130E/H, RQ-1A/B, C-130J, C-17A, C-37A/B and C-32A

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters

Bronze Star

Meritorious Service Medal with silver oak leaf cluster and oak leaf cluster

Air Medal with silver oak leaf cluster

Aerial Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Air and Space Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Combat Readiness Medal with five oak leaf clusters

Kosovo Campaign Medal with bronze star

Afghanistan Campaign Medal with two bronze stars

Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Humanitarian Service Medal with two bronze stars

Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal

Air and Space Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border and five oak leaf clusters

(Current as of October 2024)





Lieutenant General Roger B. Turner

Commanding General, III Marine Expeditionary Force; and Commander, Marine Forces Japan

Lieutenant General Roger Turner assumed command of III Marine Expeditionary Force on 26 January 2024.

He enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1984. While serving in the Reserves, he attended the University of Maryland and was commissioned in 1989. He joined 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines in 1990 and deployed in support of Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm.

As a Captain, he served as a Company Commander with 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines and deployed with the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit. As a Major, he served as Operations Officer for 5th Marine Regiment and the Current Operations Officer for First Marine Division during the early phases of Operation Iraqi Freedom. His supporting establishment assignments as a young officer include service as a Tactics Instructor at The Basic School and Infantry Officer Course and as the Commanding Officer of Recruiting Station Sacramento.



Lieutenant General Turner has commanded Sailors and Marines in combat at multiple echelons, including deployments as Commanding Officer, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines to Ramadi, Iraq; Commanding Officer, 5th Marine Regiment, to Helmand Province, Afghanistan; and Commanding General, Task Force Southwest, to Helmand Province, Afghanistan.

Lieutenant General Turner's other assignments as a general officer include Director, Capabilities Development Directorate, Headquarters Marine Corps; Commanding General, Marine Air Ground Task Force Training Command and Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center; Commanding General, 1st Marine Division; Director of Operations, Headquarters Marine Corps; and Deputy Commandant for Plans, Policies and Operations (Acting).

Lieutenant General Turner is a graduate of Amphibious Warfare School, the Marine Corps Command and Staff College, the College of Naval Warfare, and the United Kingdom's Higher Command and Staff Course.

Lieutenant General Turner is married to Mrs. Carole Turner, and they have two sons, Alec and Max.



Vice Admiral John F. G. Wade

Commander, THIRD Fleet



Vice Adm. John F. G. Wade is a native of Port Washington, New York. He is a 1990 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy with a bachelor's degree in Economics. He also holds a master's degree in Information Systems Technology from the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California, and a master's degree in National Security Strategy from the National War College in Washington, District of Columbia.

A career Surface Warfare Officer, Wade has served at sea on Patrol Craft, Destroyers, Cruisers and Aircraft Carriers, completing multiple deployments and overseas contingency operations to include Desert Storm, Southern Watch, Noble Eagle, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

He commanded USS Firebolt (PC 10), USS Preble (DDG 88), Destroyer Squadron 28, and Carrier Strike Group 12 embarked aboard USS Abraham Lincoln (CVN 72).

Ashore, Wade served on the personal staff of the Chief of Naval Operations; executive assistant to the director of the Quadrennial Defense Review Team; deputy executive assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; chief of staff to Commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet; director of maritime operations, U.S. Fleet Forces Command; and, director of operations, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command. He served with the Army's 10th Mountain and 82nd Airborne Divisions as commanding officer of the Joint/Interagency Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) – Khost, Afghanistan. Additionally, he commanded the Naval Surface and Mine Warfighting Development Center. Most recently, he commanded Joint Task Force - Red Hill which was established to safely and expeditiously defuel the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility in Oahu, Hawaii.

Wade assumed duties as commander, THIRD Fleet in June 2024.

Wade's personal decorations include the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Combat Action Badge, and various service, campaign and unit awards. He is also the recipient of the Vice Adm. E.C. Waller and Vice Adm. John D. Bulkeley leadership awards.



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT GENERAL DALE R. WHITE

Lt. Gen. Dale R. White is the Military Deputy, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. He is responsible for research and development, test, production, product support, and modernization of Air Force programs worth more than \$60 billion annually.

Lt. Gen. White is a 1997 distinguished graduate of ROTC Detachment 845 at Texas Christian University. His career has included a wide variety of scientific, acquisition, and operational planning assignments involving space, cyber and aircraft systems; including assignments at the Space and Missile Systems Center, Air Force Lifecycle Management Center, Air Force Research Laboratory, Headquarters Air Intelligence Agency, BIG SAFARI Systems Group, Air Force Rapid Capabilities Office and three Program Executive Officer leadership roles.

Prior to his current position, he was 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. His responsibilities included the development, production, fielding, sustainment, and modernization of the Air Force fighter portfolio, which includes the \$42 billion Future Years Defense Program for A-10, A-29, F-15, F-16, F-22 and special programs; as well as the development of the Next Generation Air Dominance family of systems and other advanced aircraft capability development activities. Additionally, he managed and executed \$90.5 billion in active Foreign Military Sales case funding to provide Tactical Air capability to international partners.

EDUCATION

1997 Bachelor of Business Administration, Management, Dallas Baptist University, Texas
 1997 Distinguished Graduate, ROTC Detachment 845, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth
 2000 Master of Business Administration, Management, The Robert O. Anderson School of Management, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque
 2002 Distinguished Graduate, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
 2010 Advanced Program Managers Course, Defense Acquisition University, Fort Belvoir, Va.
 2011 Distinguished Graduate, United States Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Marine Corps University, Marine Corps Base, Quantico Va.
 2013 Executive Program Manager's Course, Defense Acquisition University, Fort Belvoir, Va.
 2015 Distinguished Graduate, Master of Science, National Resource Strategy, Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy (formerly the Industrial College of the Armed Forces), National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
 2015 Senior Acquisition Course, Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
 2015 Presidential Leadership Scholar, The Presidential Leadership Scholars Program, George W. Bush Presidential Center, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas
 2023 Advanced Senior Leader Development Seminar, Warrenton, Va.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. May 1997–October 1999, Space Flight Mission Designer, Space Test Program Office, Space and Missile Systems Center, Test and Evaluation Directorate, Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M.
2. October 1999–July 2000, Space Flight Mission Manager, Space Test Program Office, Space and Missile Systems Center, Test and Evaluation Directorate, Kirtland AFB, N.M.
3. July 2000–July 2001, Deputy Program Manager, Maui High Performance Computing Center, Air Force Research Laboratory, Directed Energy Directorate, Maui, Hawaii



EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 19, 1997	
First Lieutenant May 19, 1999	
Captain May 19, 2001	
Major October 01, 2006	
Lieutenant Colonel December 01, 2010	
Colonel August 01, 2015	
Brigadier General July 02, 2021	
Major General December 05, 2023	
Lieutenant General December 27, 2023	

4. August 2001–June 2003, Program Manager, Maui High Performance Computing Center, AFRL, Directed Energy Directorate, Maui, Hawaii
5. June 2003–June 2005, Chief, Advanced Programs Strategy and Development, Air Intelligence Agency, Lackland AFB, Texas
6. July 2005–April 2006, Deputy Chief, Advanced Programs Branch, Air Intelligence Agency, Lackland AFB, Texas
7. April 2006– May 2007, Acquisition Assignments Officer, Headquarters Air Force Personnel Center, Randolph AFB, Texas
8. May 2007–May 2009, Deputy Acquisition Career Field Manager, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition Integration, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
9. May 2009–August 2010, Executive Officer to the Military Deputy, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, HAF, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
10. August 2010–July 2011, Student, United States Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Marine Corps Base Quantico, Va.
11. 2011–June 2012, Blue Devil Lead Program Manager, BIG SAFARI Systems Group, Intelligence, Surveillance, Reconnaissance and Special Operations Forces Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
12. June 2012–June 2013, Materiel Leader, F-16 United States Air Force/European Partner Air Force Capabilities Branch, F-16 Division, Fighter/Bomber Directorate, AFLCMC, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
13. June 2013–July 2014, Executive Officer to the Commander of AFMC, Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
14. August 2014–June 2015, Student, National Defense University, Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy (formerly ICAF), Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
15. June 2015–June 2018, Senior Materiel Leader/System Program Director, B-21 Raider Program, Air Force Rapid Capabilities Office, HAF, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
16. June 2018–October 2019, Program Executive Officer for Intelligence, Surveillance, Reconnaissance and Special Operations Forces, AFLCMC, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
17. October 2019–June 2020, PEO for Advanced Aircraft, AFLCMC, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
18. June 2020–December 2023, PEO for Fighters and Advanced Aircraft, AFLCMC, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
19. December 2023–Present, Military Deputy, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Distinguished Service Medal

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal with one silver oak leaf cluster Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster Joint Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal with four oak leaf clusters

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

2008 U.S. Air Force Acquisition Staff Officer of the Year

2012 Air Force Life Cycle Management Center Senior Acquisition Warfighter of the Year

2015 The Major General Harold Mashburn, Jr. Award for Excellence in Leadership, Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy (formerly ICAF)

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