



Chris Crawford

Military Space Advanced Program Development

Chris D. Crawford, Vice President of Advanced Program Development, Military Space, in February of 2018, assumed his current position with Lockheed Martin. In this capacity he is responsible for Military Space strategy, business development and advanced programs. His responsibilities span the scope of military space missions. Prior to this position he was the Director of Space Control programs for Lockheed Martin Government Affairs where he was responsible for supporting Space Systems Company initiatives and existing programs with National Security customers.

Prior to his time with Lockheed Martin, he was an active duty Air Force officer. His last assignment was as the Director of Space Policy Implementation, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, Pentagon, Washington, D.C. Prior to his time in the Pentagon, he commanded the 21st Space Wing, headquartered in Colorado Springs, CO, where he led space surveillance, missile warning and space control operations and maintenance around the world.

Chris previously commanded the 50th Operations Support Squadron at Schriever Air Force Base, CO, and the 21st Operations Group in Colorado Springs, CO. Prior to taking command of the 21st Space Wing, Colonel Crawford served as Chief, Current Operations Division, Deputy Directorate for Command, Control and Nuclear Operations, J-3, Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington, D.C. where he managed the National Military Command Center's operations and training.

Chris retired from the U.S. Air Force in August, 2015 after 26 plus years of service. He received his commission in 1988 as a distinguished graduate of University of Alabama ROTC. He has served as a satellite operator at Schriever AF Base CO, as a space surveillance crew commander, and as Chief of Standardization and Evaluation at 20th Space Control Squadron, Eglin Air Force Base, FL. He served on the Air Force Space Command staff as Chief of Space Control Mission Concepts and on the Headquarters Air Force Staff as Chief of Space Control Plans and Operations and as Executive Officer. Chris also served in the National Reconnaissance Office as Director of Missions and Chief, Operations and Engineering. While deployed he served as Space and Information Operations Officer to the Director of the Coalition Forces Land Component Command, Air Component Coordination Element during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

While on active duty Chris was awarded the the Bronze Star Medal, the Defense Superior Service Medal twice and the Legion of Merit twice. He led the 21st Operations Group to the Meritorious Unit Award. He was also awarded the National Reconnaissance Office Gold Medal.

Chris holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Statistical Mathematics from the University of Alabama. He has a Master's of Business Administration (with honors) from the University of

West Florida. He was a National Security Fellow at the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University where he completed the year long program. He is a graduate of Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, KS and is a graduate of Joint Forces Staff College (Joint Professional Military Education, Phase II), Norfolk, Va. He also completed the Enterprise Leadership Seminar, University of Virginia, Darden School of Business, and the Center for Creative Leadership, Leadership Enhancement Program, Greensborough, N.C.

Chris and his wife Kayreen have two daughters, Jaimie and Megan. Chris and Kayreen currently reside in Chantilly, VA.