



# BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

## JOY M. WHITE

Joy M. White, a member of the Senior Executive Service, is the Executive Director, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles Air Force Base, California. She is the principal assistant to the Program Executive Officer for Space for acquisition strategies, portfolio management and program execution. She acts for and with the commander in the execution of an annual budget of \$7 billion to develop and deliver capabilities that provide the warfighter agile, integrated, resilient and protected effects in space to meet critical national imperatives. In this role, she leads a workforce of nearly 5,000 military, civilian and contractor personnel to enable the Space Warfighting Construct, preparing the nation to fight and win a conflict in space.

Ms. White entered the federal service in 1985 as a Copper Cap contracting intern at SMC. Ms. White earned her contracting officer warrant, becoming a contracting officer for GPS. In 1992, she transferred to the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Washington, D.C., serving an eight year tenure in a variety of positions. In this role, she gained hands-on experience in law and regulatory analysis; spearheaded two joint service committees and spent several years in the Systems Acquisition Division, advising acquisition leadership on a wide range of strategies for programs including Global Hawk, Predator, F-15, Evolved Expendable Launch Vehicle and GPS.



Prior to her current position, Ms. White was the SMC Director of Contracting leading a workforce of more than 300 in the implementation of Better Buying Power initiatives, resulting in significant savings that enabled increased mission capabilities. She was responsible for executing an average annual budget of \$8 billion and managing roughly 600-plus active contracts, valued at \$80 billion. Ms. White also gained experience as the Deputy Director of Contracting for the Missile Defense Agency. At MDA she guided a cadre of more than 200 contracting professionals at five locations in the execution of contracts totaling approximately \$9 billion annually. She provided acquisition advice to senior leadership with frequent interaction with the Office of the Secretary of Defense and congressional staff offices.

### EDUCATION

- 1985 Bachelor of Business Administration degree, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va.
- 1989 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 1997 Master of Business Administration degree, Averett College, Danville, Va.
- 1999 Advanced Program Management Course, Defense Systems Management College, Fort Belvoir, Va.
- 2004 Leading Change, Federal Executive Institute, Charlottesville, Va.
- 2006 Senior Executive Fellow, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

### CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1. 1985 - 1990, intern, Copper Cap Contracting Intern Program, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.

2. 1990 - 1992, contracting officer, Global Positioning System, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
3. 1992 -1994, procurement analyst, Air Force Acquisition Regulations, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Washington, D.C.
4. 1994 - 1999, procurement analyst, Systems Acquisition, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Washington, D.C.
5. 2000 - 2002, Deputy Director, Air Force Contracting Information Systems Office, Gunter Annex, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
6. 2002 - 2003, procurement analyst, Systems Acquisition, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Washington, D.C.
7. 2003 - 2006, Director of Contract Policy and Review, Missile Defense Agency, Washington, D.C.
8. 2006 - 2008, Deputy Director of Contracting, Missile Defense Agency, Washington, D.C.
  
9. 2008 - 2016, Director of Contracting, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.
10. 2016 - present, Executive Director, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.

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