



**PROGRAM GUIDE**

**TRAINING & SIMULATION  
INDUSTRY SYMPOSIUM**

**17-18 JUNE**

**ROSEN CENTRE HOTEL  
ORLANDO, FL**



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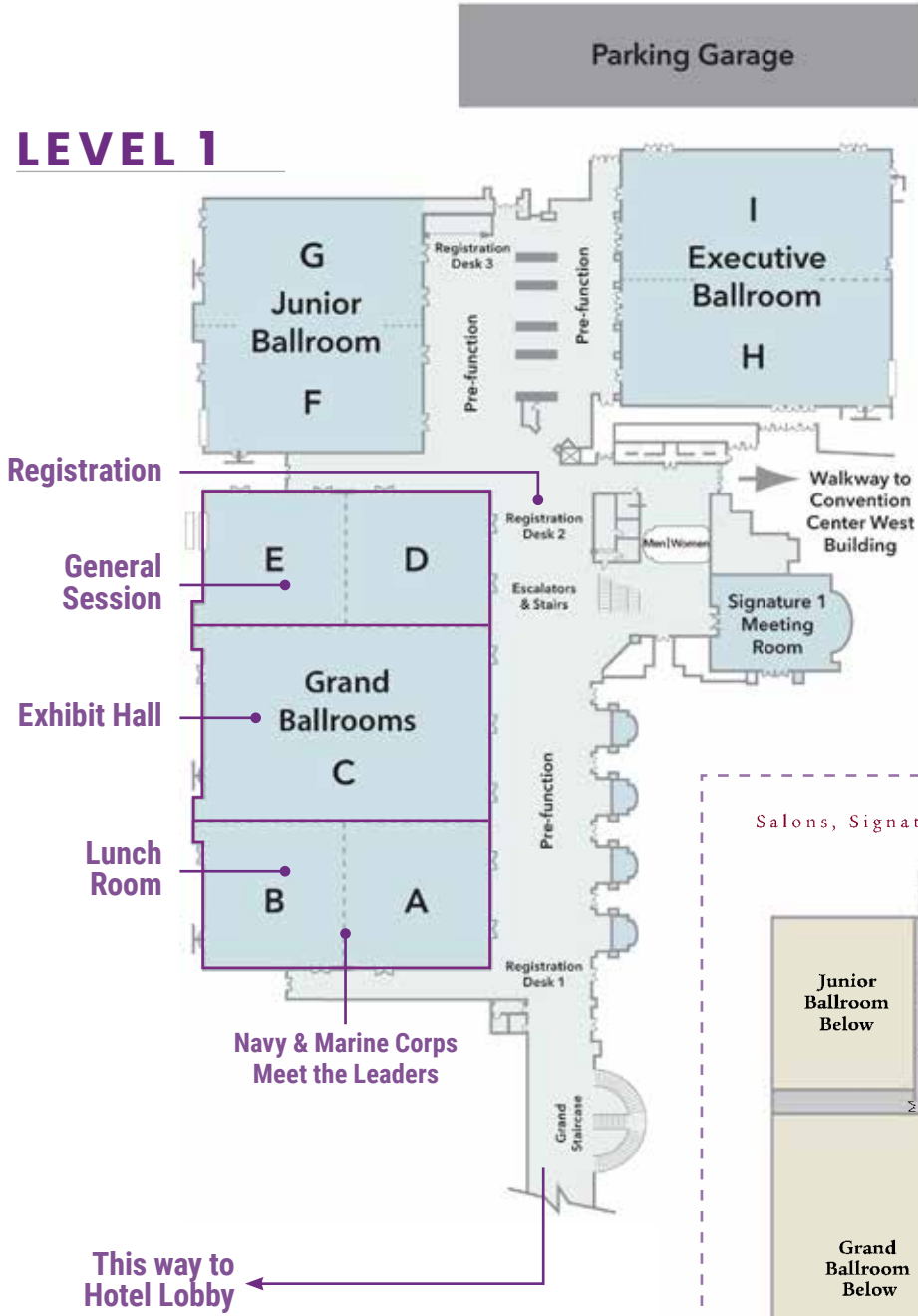


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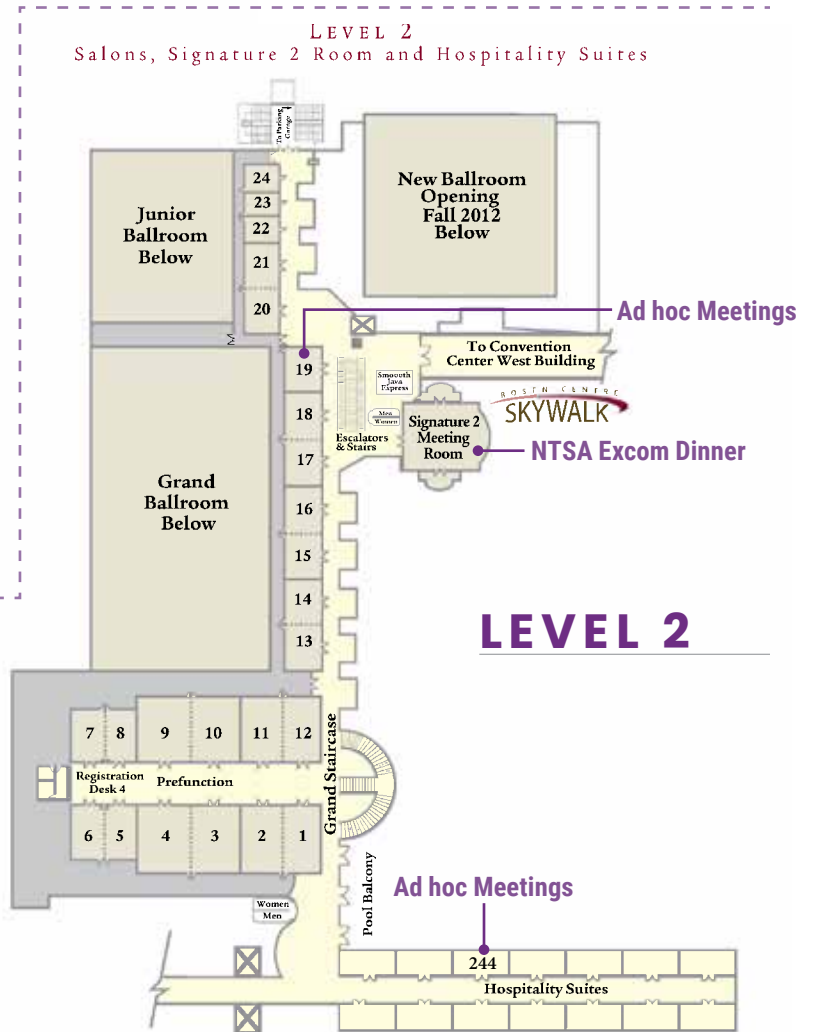
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# AGENDA

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## WEDNESDAY, 17 JUNE 2026

- 0700 – 1700     **REGISTRATION OPEN**  
REGISTRATION DESK 2
- 0745 – 0845     **CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**  
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- 0845 – 0900     **WELCOME REMARKS**  
**Mr. Sean Osmond**  
President, National Defense Industrial Association – Central Florida Chapter (NDIA-CFL)  
**VADM Sean S. Buck, USN (Ret.)**  
President, National Training and Simulation Association (NTSA)
- 0900 – 0930     **AIR FORCE PEO TRAINING BRIEFING**  
**Mr. Rodney Stevens, SES**  
Program Executive Officer, Training Directorate at the Air Force Life Cycle Management Center (AFLCMC)
- 0900 – 1800     **EXHIBIT HALL OPEN**  
GRAND BALLROOM C
- 0930 – 0955     **CHIEF MODELING AND SIMULATION OFFICER (CMSO) BRIEFING**  
**Mr. Mark Stankiewicz**  
Acting Chief Modeling and Simulation Officer and Director of Enterprise Modeling and Simulation at Studies and Analysis (SAF/SA), Office of the Secretary of the Air Force
- 0955 – 1015     **NETWORKING BREAK & VISIT EXHIBIT HALL**  
GRAND BALLROOM C
- 1015 – 1040     **KEYNOTE SPEAKER, U.S. ARMY**  
**BG Christine A. Beeler, USA**  
Capability Program Executive, U.S. Army Capability Program Executive Simulation, Training, Test and Threat (CPE ST3)
- 1040 – 1100     **PROJECT MANAGER SIMULATION (PM SIM)**  
**COL Natasha Coleman, USA**  
PM SIM, CPE ST3
- 1100 – 1120     **PROJECT MANAGER TRAINING DEVICES (PM TRADE)**  
**Ms. Liz Bledsoe**  
PM TRADE, CPE ST3
- 1120 – 1140     **PROJECT LEAD THREAT SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT OFFICE (PL TSMO)**  
**Mr. Bradley Horton**  
PL TSMO, CPE ST3
- 1140 – 1200     **PROJECT LEAD TRAINING AIDS, DEVICES, SIMULATORS, AND SIMULATIONS (TADSS) SUPPORT OPERATIONS (PL TSO)**  
**Mr. Justin Fortune**  
PL TSO, CPE ST3
- 1200 – 1220     **PROJECT LEAD INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM OFFICE (PL IPO)**  
**Mr. Dale Whittaker**  
PL IPO, CPE ST3
- 1220 – 1330     **LUNCH & VISIT EXHIBIT HALL**  
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- 1330 – 1350 **INDUSTRY PANEL – THE INDUSTRIAL BASE QUESTION: CAN INDUSTRY ACTUALLY MEET THE DEMAND CURVE?**  
**Moderator: Mr. George Cheros**  
 President/CEO, National Center for Simulation
- Ms. Alicia Combs**  
 VP/GM, Cubic Defense
- Mr. Michael Garrity**  
 CEO, Aptima
- Mr. Favio Lopez**  
 CEO, Trideum Corporation
- Mr. Khoi Vu**  
 President, Wittenstein Motion Control
- 1350 – 1410 **FUTURE TRAINING DIRECTORATE (FTD) BRIEFING**  
**COL Ted Stokes, USA**  
 Director, FTD
- 1410 – 1430 **ACC-ORLANDO SESSION WITH INDUSTRY**  
**Dr. Vernon Myers**  
 Deputy Director, U.S. Army Contracting Command – Orlando (ACC-ORL)
- 1430 – 1500 **SIMULATION AND TRAINING TECHNOLOGY CENTER (STTC) BRIEFINGS**
- Mr. Joe Sottolare**  
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- Mr. Mike Cannizzaro**  
 Lead Portfolio Integrator, STTC
- Mr. Clay Burford**  
 Science & Technology Manager, STTC
- Mr. Allen Geddes**  
 Science & Technology Manager, STTC
- Dr. Benjamin Goldberg**  
 Senior Research Scientist, STTC
- Dr. M. Beth Pettitt**  
 Chief, Medical Simulation and Performance Branch, STTC
- 1505 – 1535 **NETWORKING BREAK & VISIT EXHIBIT HALL**  
**GRAND BALLROOM C**
- 1535 – 1555 **Q&A WITH U.S. ARMY PRESENTERS**
- 1555 – 1620 **INDUSTRY PANEL – SPEED TO CAPABILITY: WHY TRADITIONAL ACQUISITION CAN'T KEEP UP WITH THE THREAT**  
**Moderator: Mr. Jong Lee**  
 SVP, Yulista ASE Group
- Mr. Ray Catania**  
 CTO, Catania Enterprises
- Mr. Bunky Litaker**  
 Army Business Development, CAE USA
- Dr. Denise Nicholson**  
 COO, Lyntris AI
- Mr. Steve Willhelm**  
 President, Five Stones Research Corporation
- 1620 – 1645 **KEYNOTE SPEAKER, U.S. SPACE FORCE**  
**Maj Gen James E. Smith, USSF**  
 Commander, Space Training and Readiness Command (STARCOM)
- 1645 **CLOSING REMARKS**  
**Mr. Mike Callis**  
 Executive Vice President, CFL-NDIA
- 1645 – 1800 **RECEPTION**  
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## THURSDAY, 18 JUNE 2026

0630 – 1600 **REGISTRATION OPEN**  
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0700 – 0800 **CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**  
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0800 – 0815 **WELCOME**  
**Mr. Mike Callis**  
Executive Vice President, CFL-NDIA  
**VADM Sean S. Buck, USN (Ret.)**  
President, NTSA

0815 – 0845 **PAE MARINE CORPS MINDSET**  
**Col Wynndee Young, USMC**  
Program Manager, Training Systems (PM TRASYS)

0845 – 0915 **RTPD/PM TRASYS PROGRAM ROADMAPS, REQUIREMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES**  
**Mr. Joseph Lomangino**  
LVC Branch, Range and Training Programs Division, PM TRASYS  
**Mr. James Fraley**  
Head Range & Training Area Management, Training & Education Command, PM TRASYS  
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Product Manager, Range Training Systems, PM TRASYS  
**Ms. Patsy Stefan**  
Assistant Program Manager, Contracts and Contracts Competency Lead, PM TRASYS  
**Ms. Elizabeth Tygart**  
Product Manager, Synthetic Training Systems, PM TRASYS

0900 – 1530 **EXHIBIT HALL OPEN**  
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0915 – 0940 **NETWORKING BREAK & VISIT EXHIBIT HALL**  
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0940 – 0955 **Q&A WITH U.S. MARINE CORPS PRESENTERS**

0955 – 1055 **NTSA I/ITSEC 2026 NEXT BIG THING: THE CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS**  
**Mr. Bob Kleinhample**  
CEO, PioneerSim  
**Dr. Brian Stensrud**  
Technical Fellow, Artificial Intelligence Defense & Security, CAE USA  
**Ms. Andrea Schaumann-Phillips**  
Senior Director, Federal Customer Success - Fortress Information Security

1055 – 1120 **INDUSTRY PANEL – DIGITAL TWINS, SYNTHETIC ENVIRONMENTS, AND THE FUTURE OF PERSISTENT TRAINING**  
**Moderator: Dr. Alethea Duhon**  
Director, KBR  
**Mr. Pritesh Patel**  
CEO, Ad hoc Research  
**Mr. Tim Rothenburger**  
Director, Engineering, The DiSTI Corporation  
**Mr. Justin Wright**  
Technical Solutions Architect, World Wide Technology  
**Dr. Audrey Zlatkin**  
RDT&E Manager, Design Interactive

1120 – 1140 **MEDICAL SIMULATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM MANAGEMENT OFFICE (MST PMO) BRIEFING**  
**Mr. Robert Bell**  
Program Manager, MST PMO

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- 1140 – 1155 **TRADES AT I/ITSEC: DRIVING READINESS, INNOVATION, AND PARTNERSHIPS**  
**VADM Sean S. Buck, USN (Ret.)**  
President, NTSA
- 1155 – 1255 **LUNCH & VISIT EXHIBIT HALL**  
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- 1255 – 1310 **NAVAL AIR WARFARE CENTER TRAINING SYSTEMS DIVISION (NAWCTSD) UPDATE**  
**CAPT Robert Betts, USN**  
Commanding Officer, Naval Air Warfare Center Training System Division (NAWCTSD) and Naval Support Activity (NSA) Orlando
- 1310 – 1325 **ACQUISITION OVERVIEW**  
**Mr. Michael Merritt**  
Acquisition Director, NAWCTSD
- 1325 – 1340 **AVIATION PROGRAMS AND AVIATION TRAINING SYSTEMS**  
**Mr. Craig Dorrans**  
Program Director for Aviation, NAWCTSD
- 1340 – 1355 **SURFACE AND UNDERSEA PROGRAMS**  
**Mr. William Zeller**  
Program Director for Surface and Undersea Programs, NAWCTSD
- 1355 – 1420 **NETWORKING BREAK & VISIT EXHIBIT HALL**  
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- 1420 – 1435 **CROSS-WARFARE PROGRAMS**  
**Mr. Graham Fleener**  
Program Director for Cross Warfare Programs, NAWCTSD
- 1435 – 1450 **INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS**  
**Ms. Deborah Barnes**  
Program Director for International Programs, NAWCTSD
- 1450 – 1505 **RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS**  
**CDR Denver White, USN**  
Director for Research and Technology, NAWCTSD
- 1505 – 1530 **INDUSTRY PANEL – TRAINING FOR NEAR AND CURRENT CONFLICTS: ARE CURRENT SYSTEMS PREPARING WARFIGHTERS FOR THE RIGHT FIGHT?**  
**Moderator: Mr. Brian Capra**  
Growth Manager, PCI Federal
- Mr. Harry Buhl**  
PM, Warfighter TRS, V2X, Inc.
- Mr. Tim James**  
CEO, MES Simulation
- Mr. Bill Platte, Sr.**  
Dir/BD, Parsons Corporation
- Mr. Keith Taylor**  
Navy Business Development, CAE USA
- 1530 – 1550 **Q&A WITH U.S. NAVY PRESENTERS**
- 1550 – 1600 **CLOSING REMARKS & ADJOURN**  
**Mr. Sean Osmond**  
President, NDIA-CFL
- 1600 – 1615 **MEET THE U.S. NAVY & U.S. MARINE CORPS ACQUISITION LEADERS**  
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# AFPEO Training

## **MISSION**

Develop, deliver, and sustain integrated training capabilities to enable war-winning airpower.

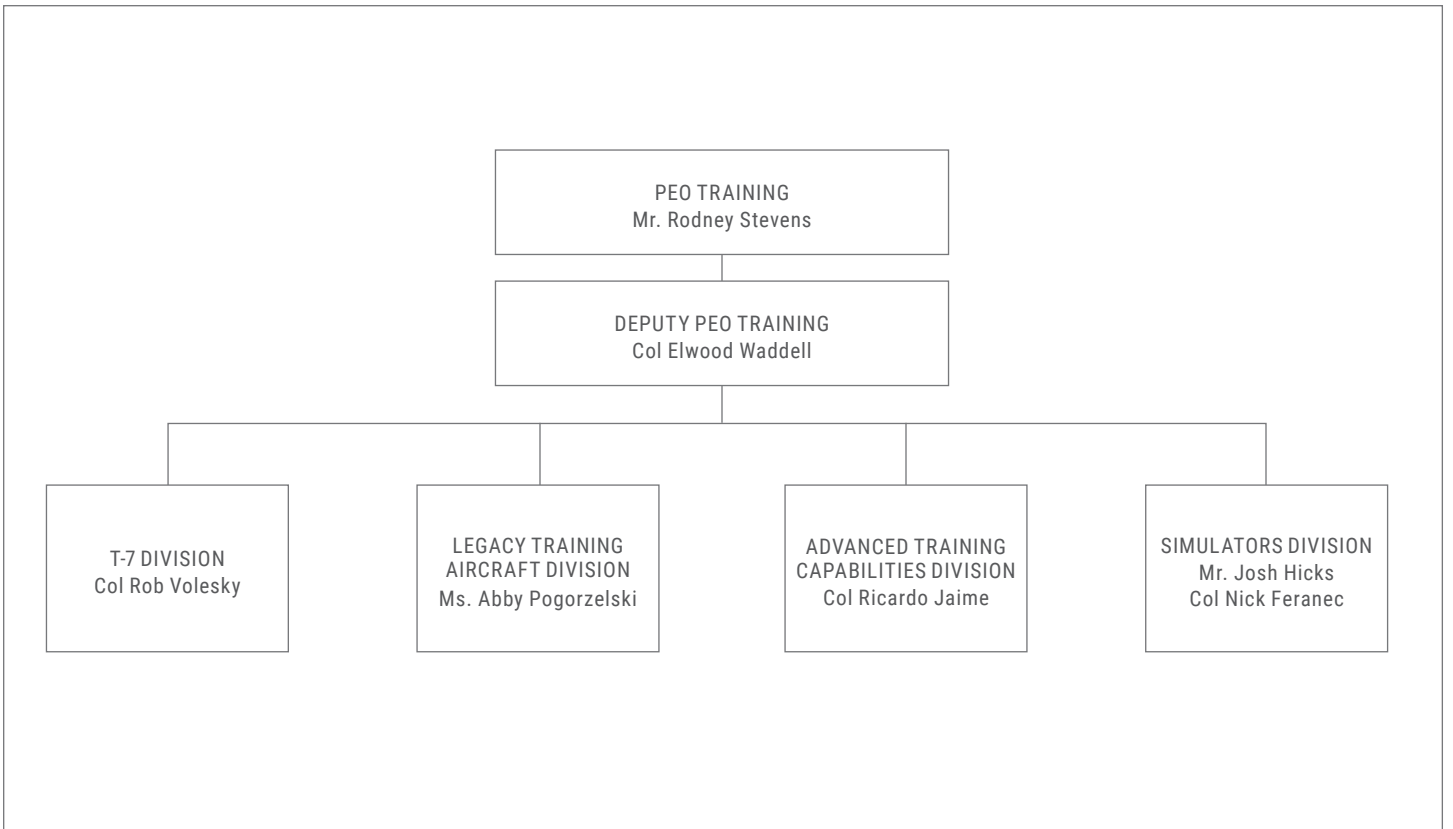
## **VISION**

To be the trusted provider of adaptive and innovative training capabilities - on target, every time.



# MR. RODNEY STEVENS, SES

Program Executive Officer, Training Directorate, AFLCMC







# CMSO

## **MISSION**

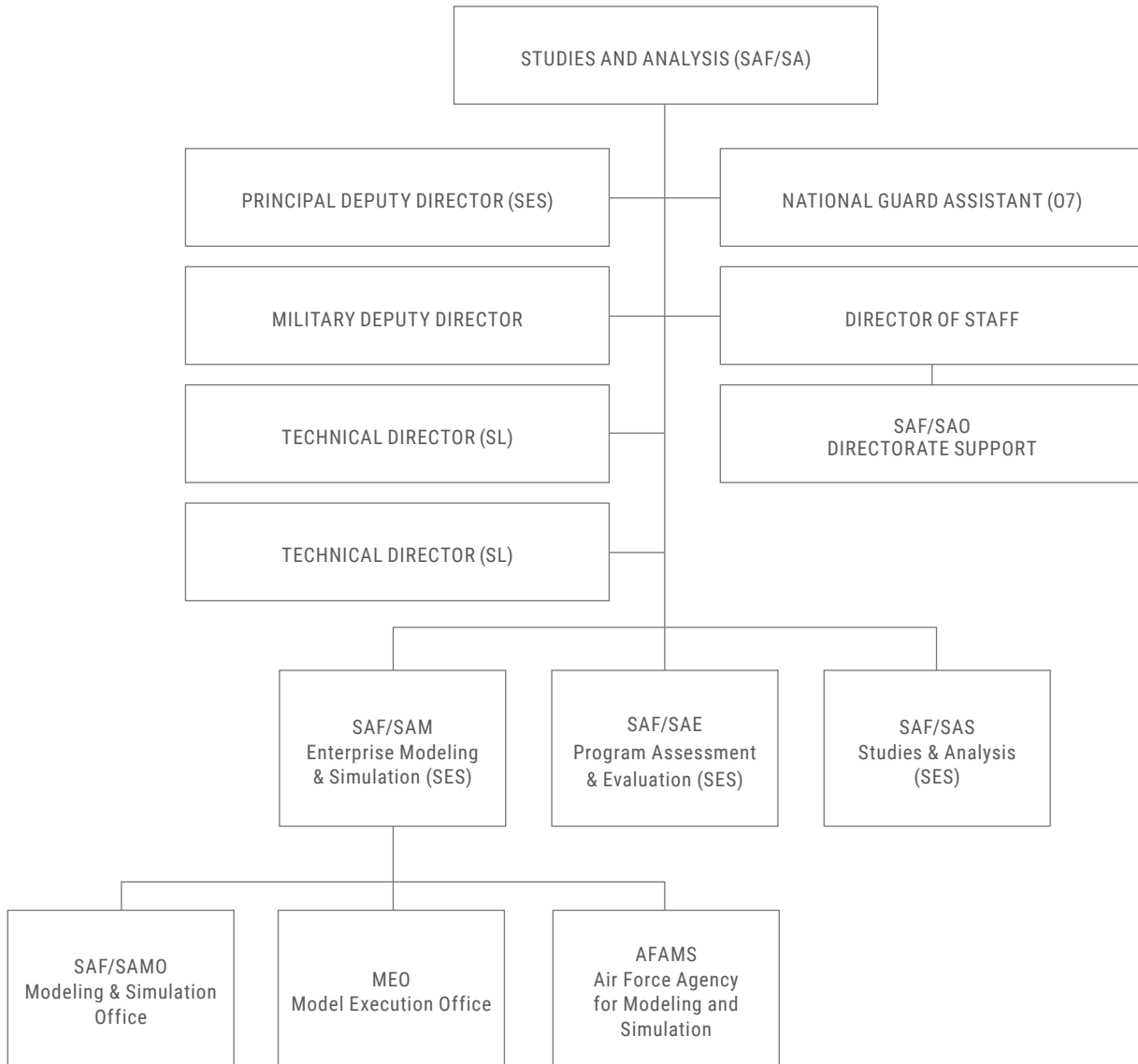
Advance warfighting readiness by increasing collective, affordable, interoperable modeling & simulation-enabled capabilities vital to air, space, and cyber power.

## **VISION**

Marshal collective modeling & simulation capabilities that are compatible and complimentary, and that affordably enable core Department of the Air Force competencies underpinning advanced employment of power in the air, space, and cyber domains.



# CHIEF MODELING AND SIMULATION OFFICER







# CPE ST3

## **MISSION**

Rapidly develop, deliver and sustain training, testing and information operations capabilities to enhance readiness across the operational spectrum.

## **VISION**

The leader in delivering unmatched training, testing and information operations capabilities to enhance operational readiness in support of our national defense.



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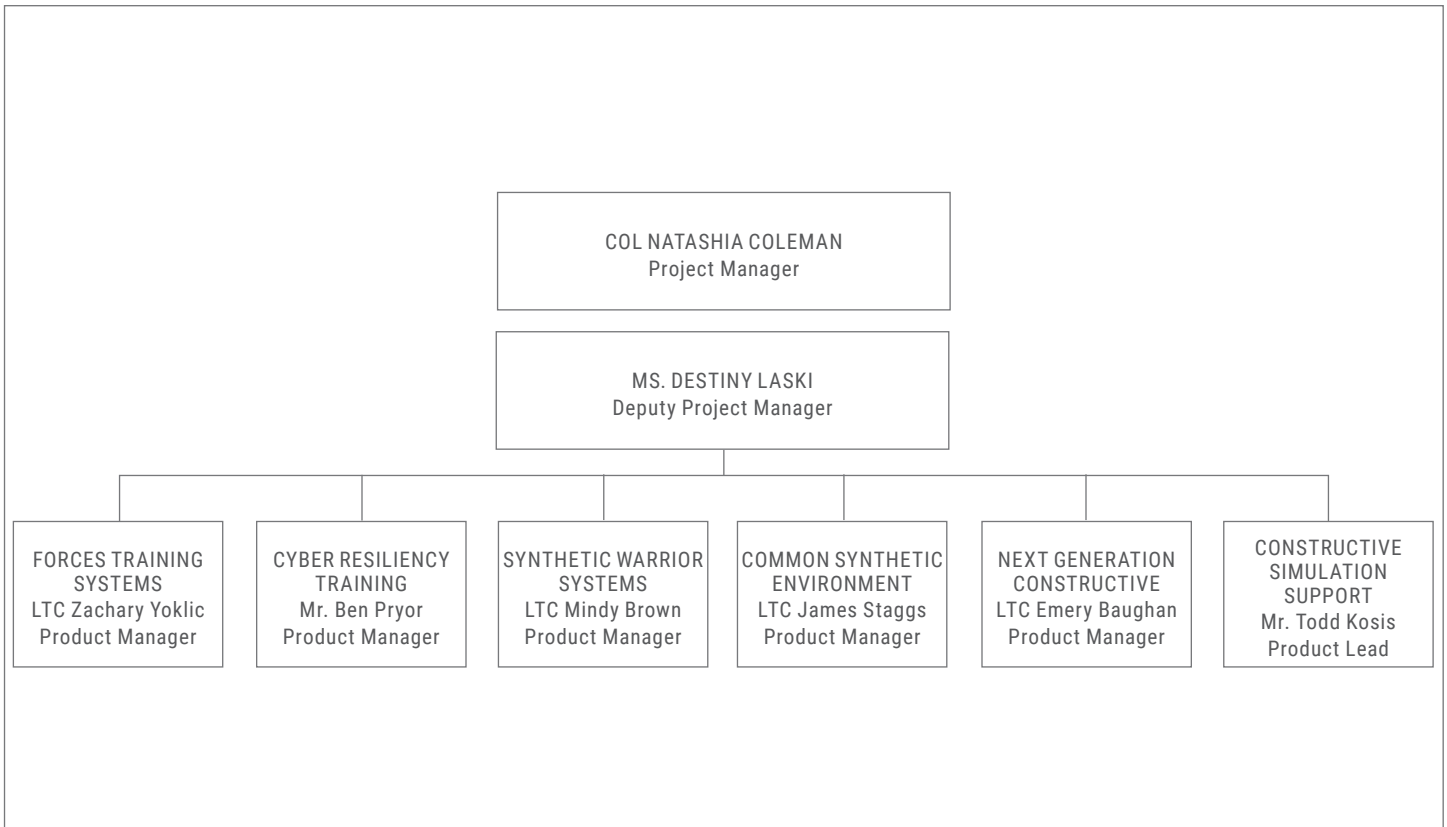
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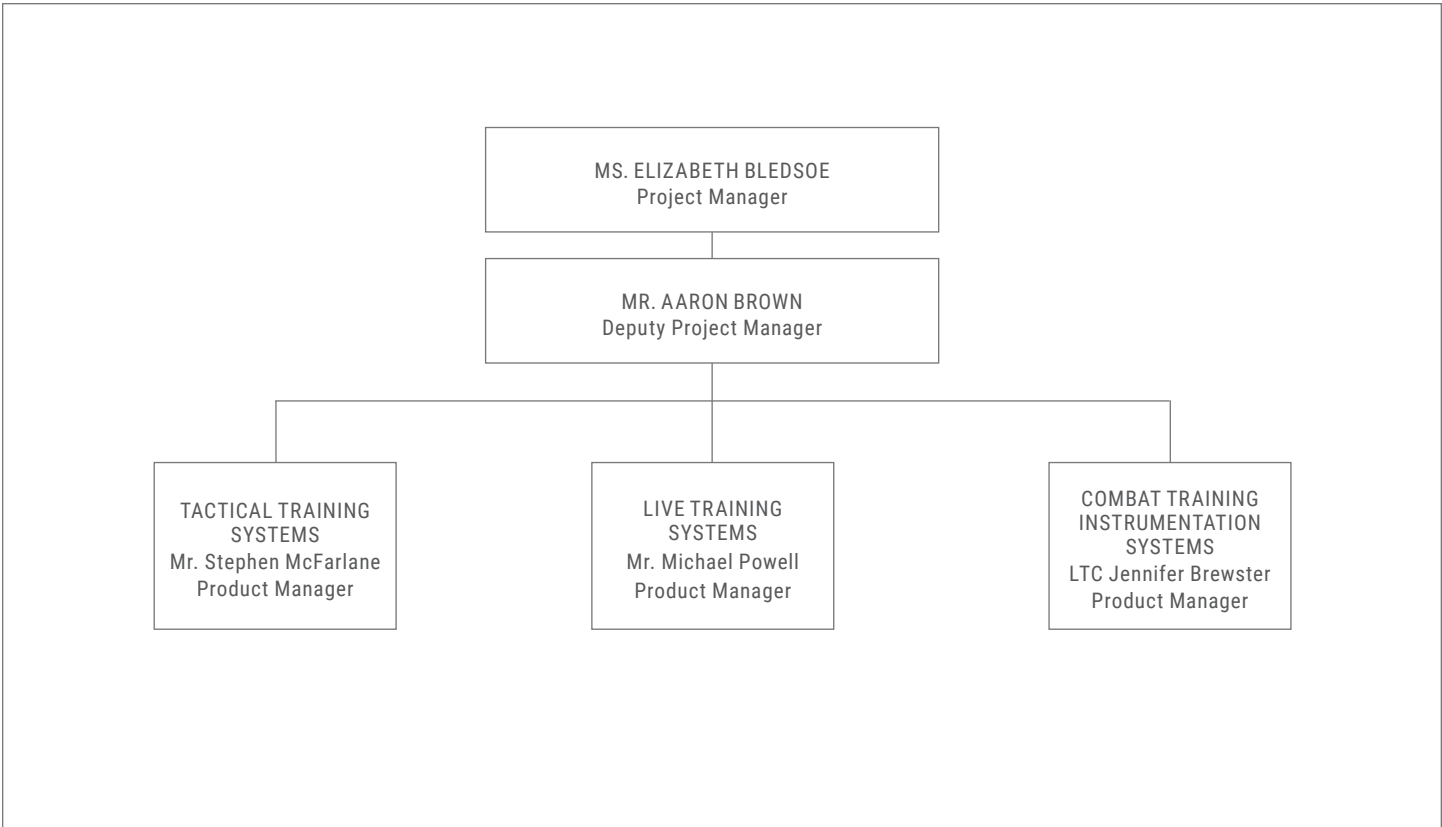
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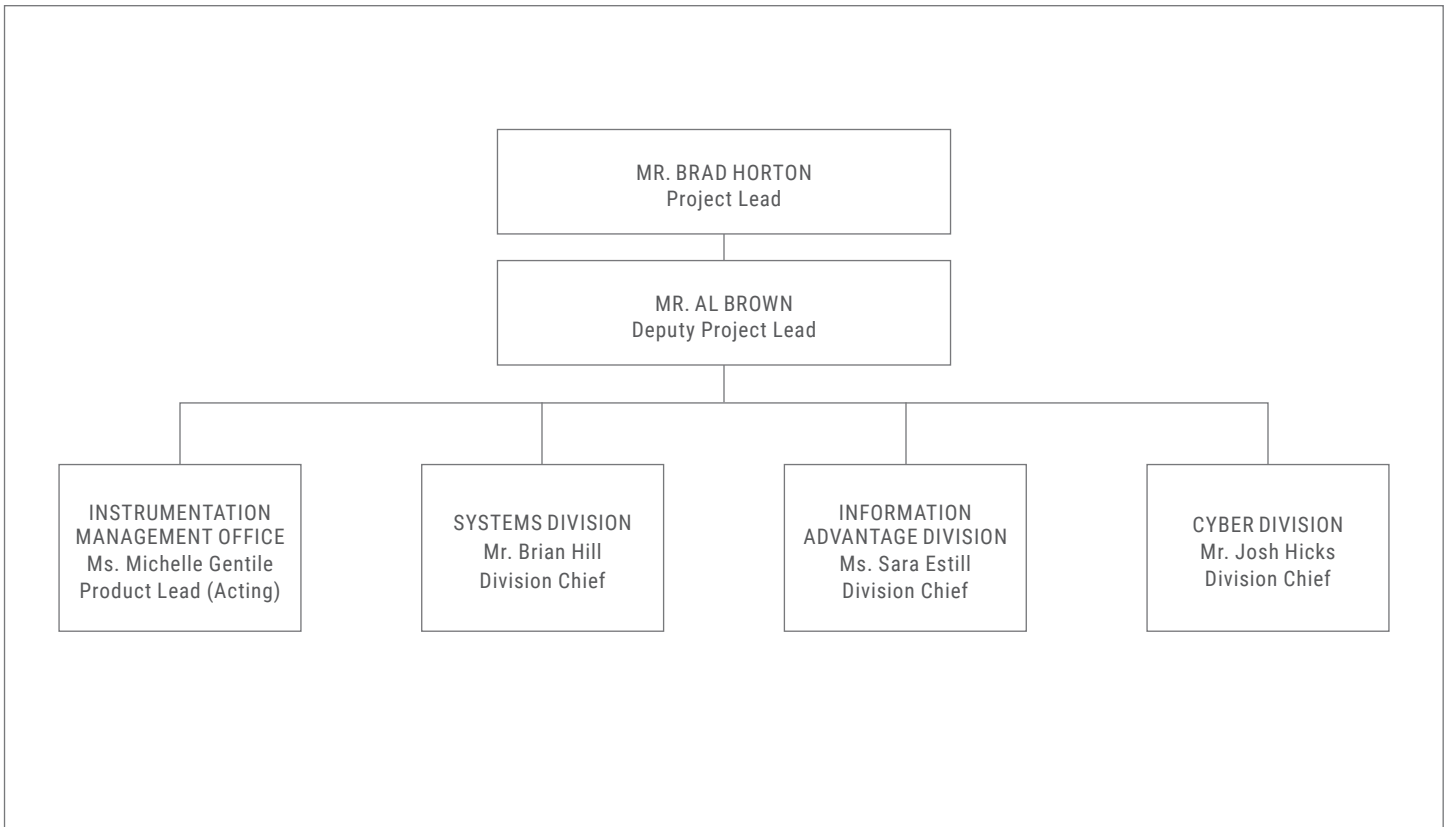
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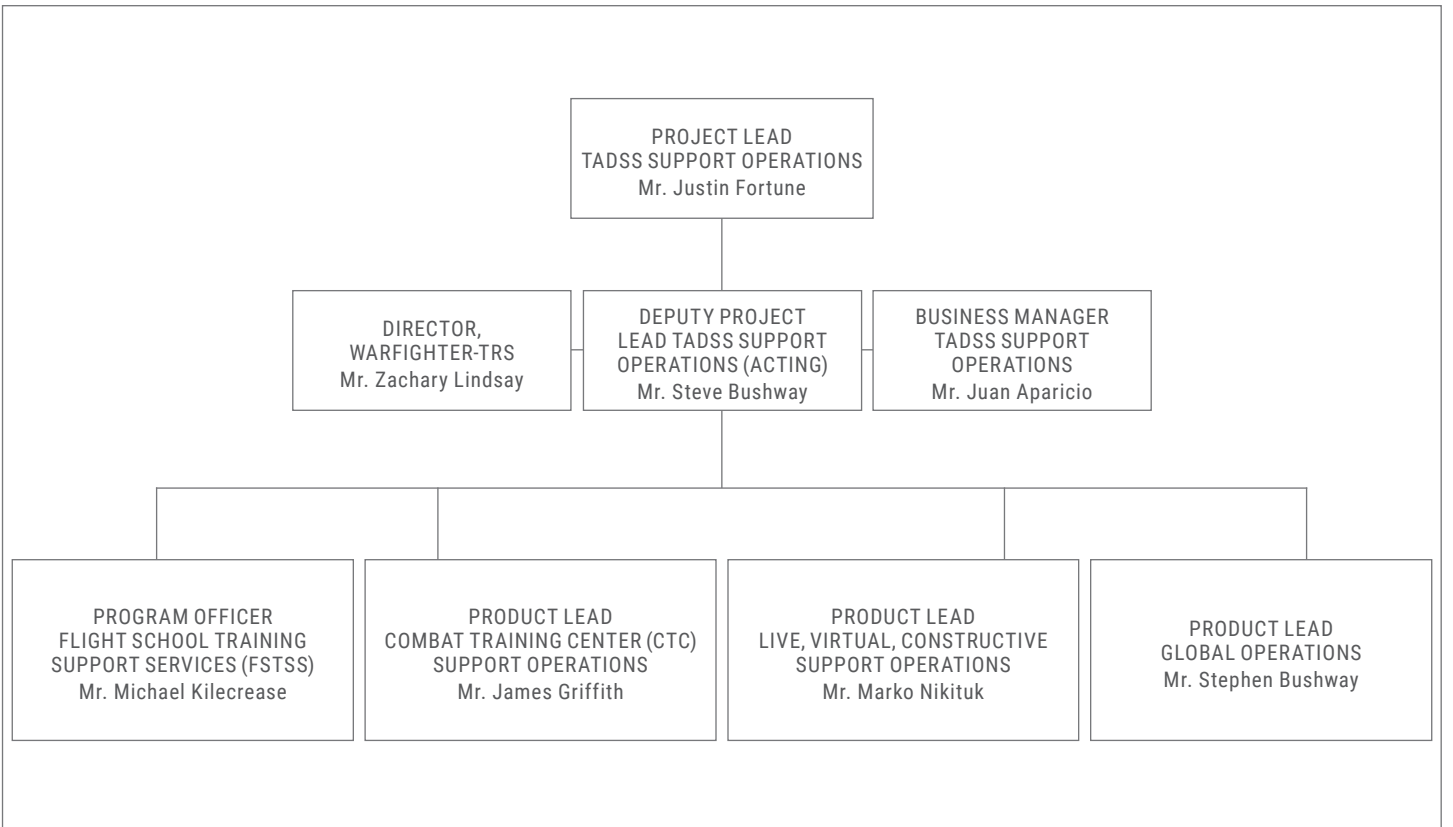
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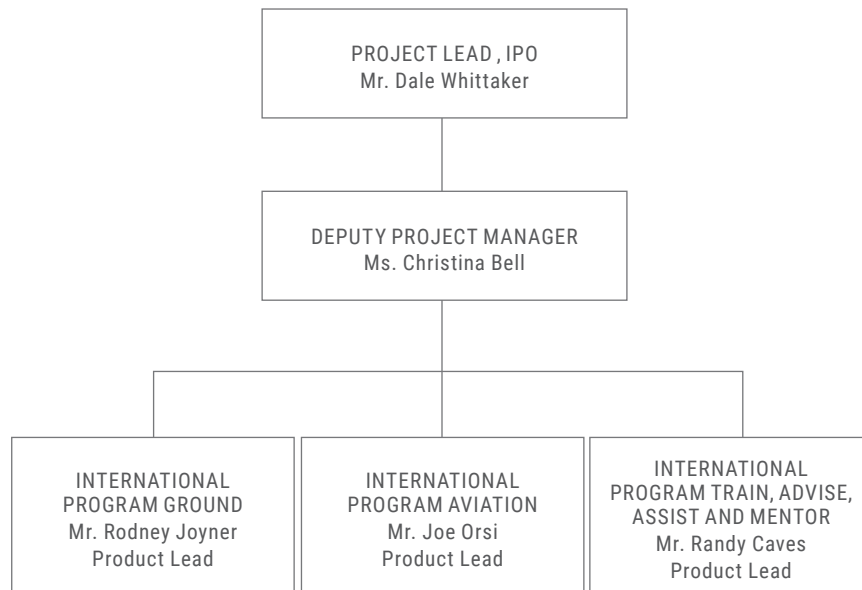
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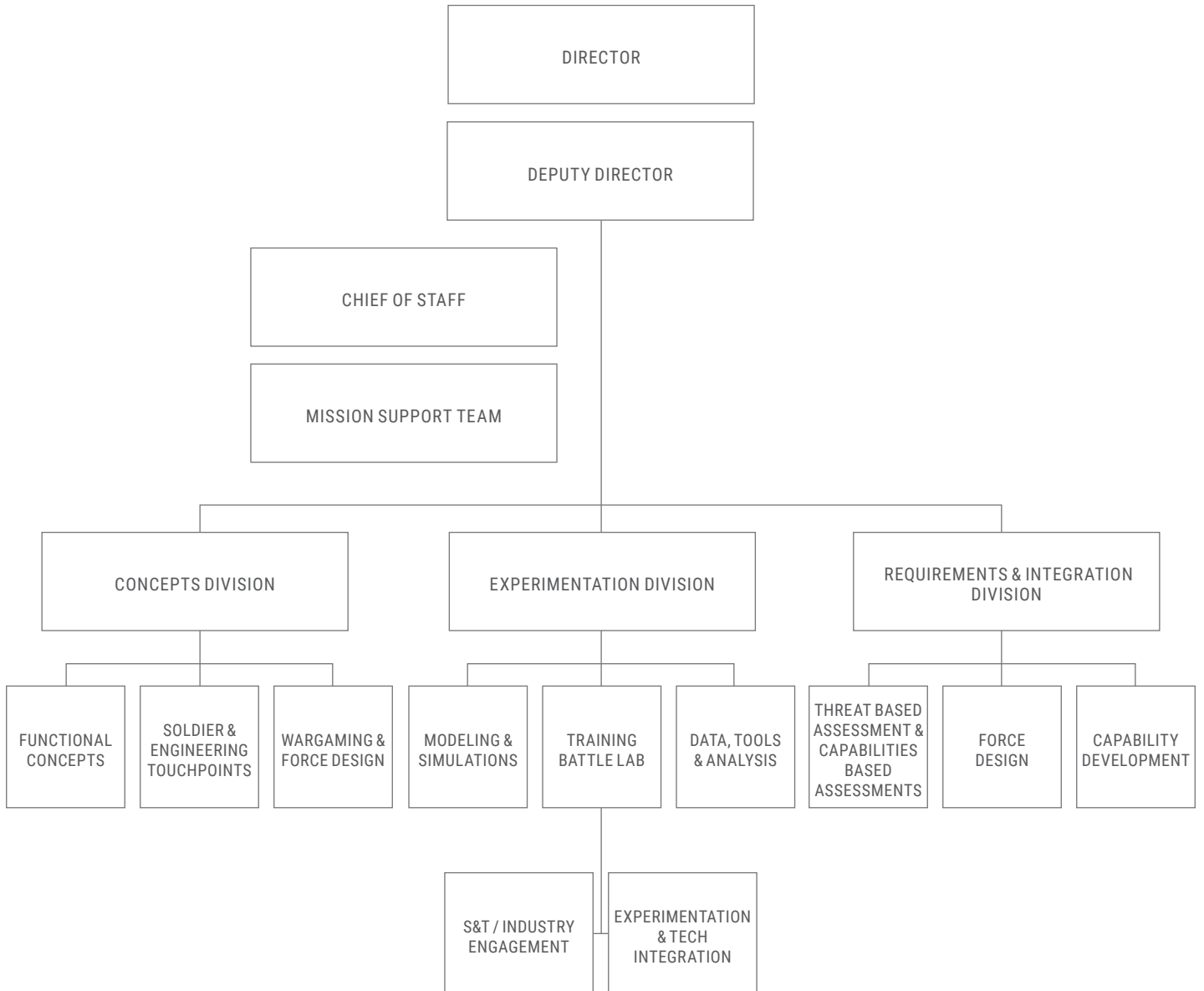
# FTD

## **MISSION**

FTD provides requirement determination, rapidly develops requirements for the Army's training environment, and conducts tech recon of industry and academia to narrow capability gaps informed by user experimentation, technical demonstrations to rapidly transition capability on behalf CAC into the Army acquisition system.

## **VISION**

The FTD narrows an existing set of capability gaps informed by analysis, experimentation, and technical demonstrations to rapidly transition leader-approved capability requirements to the Defense Acquisition System. The FTD informs technology transitions, research and development, and user assessments, and then rapidly transitions operational requirements into the Defense Acquisition System. The FTD integrates and synchronizes DevOps activities across the Army to improve speed, capability, delivery, and cost-effective materiel solutions to meet the Chief of Staff of the Army's (CSA's) first order principles, characteristics, and warfighting requirements. The FTD will enable the Army to achieve overmatch through monitoring threat capabilities, researching advanced technologies, and developing and implementing preprogrammed product improvements to maintain resiliency against current and emerging threats.







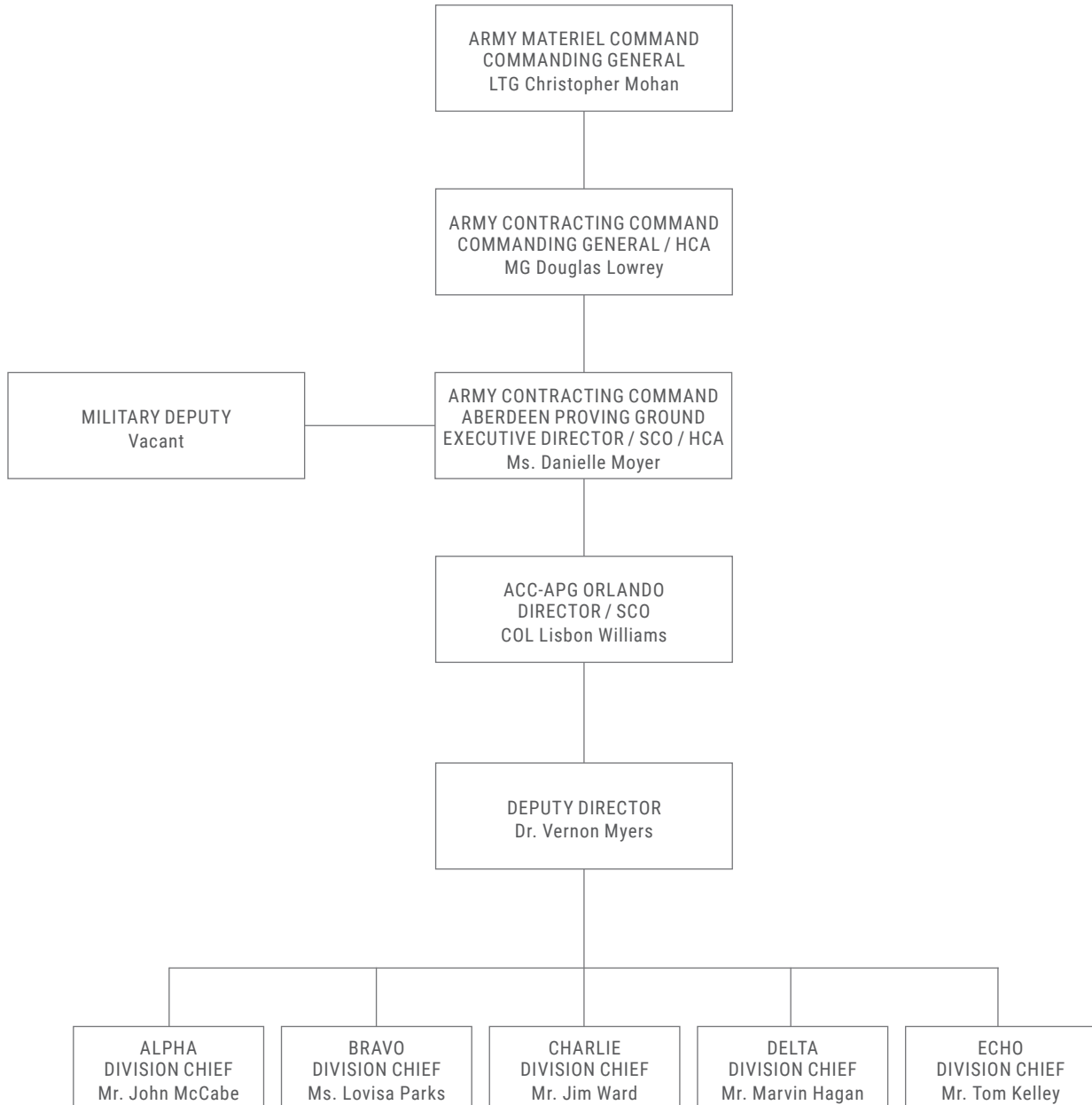
# ACC-ORL

## **MISSION**

Provide tailored contracting solutions in support of Joint Warfighters, Anytime, Anywhere.

## **VISION**

To establish ACC-ORL as the premiere Contracting Center of Excellence, providing operationalized contracting solutions globally to Army stakeholders.







# STTC

## **MISSION**

Discover, Develop, and Transition Innovative Simulation and Training Technology to Maximize Soldier Effectiveness and Warfighter Readiness.

## **VISION**

World Class Experts in the Science of Modeling, Simulation, and Training Enabling the Acquisition and Fielding of Effective Solutions for the Warfighter.



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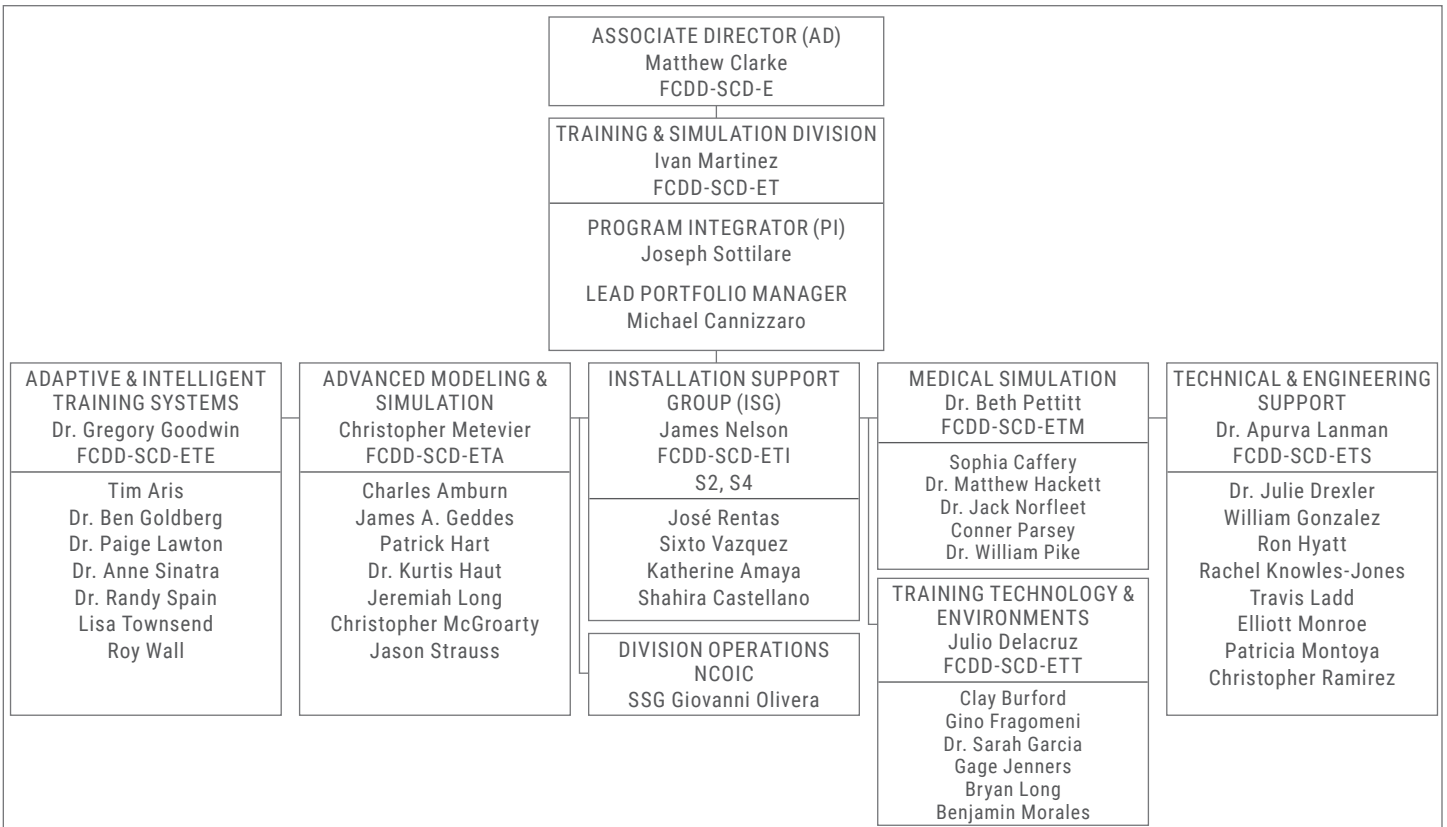
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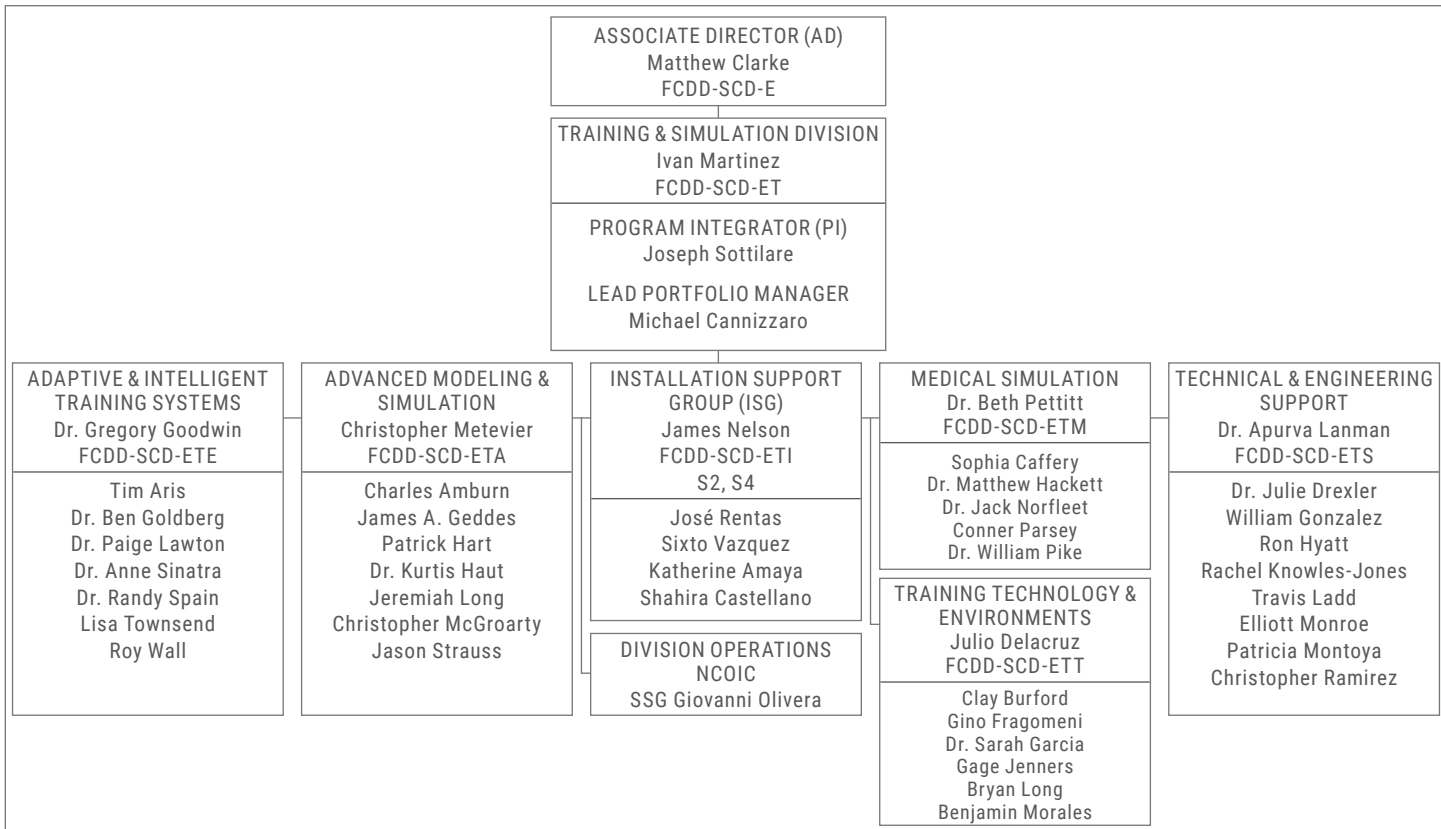
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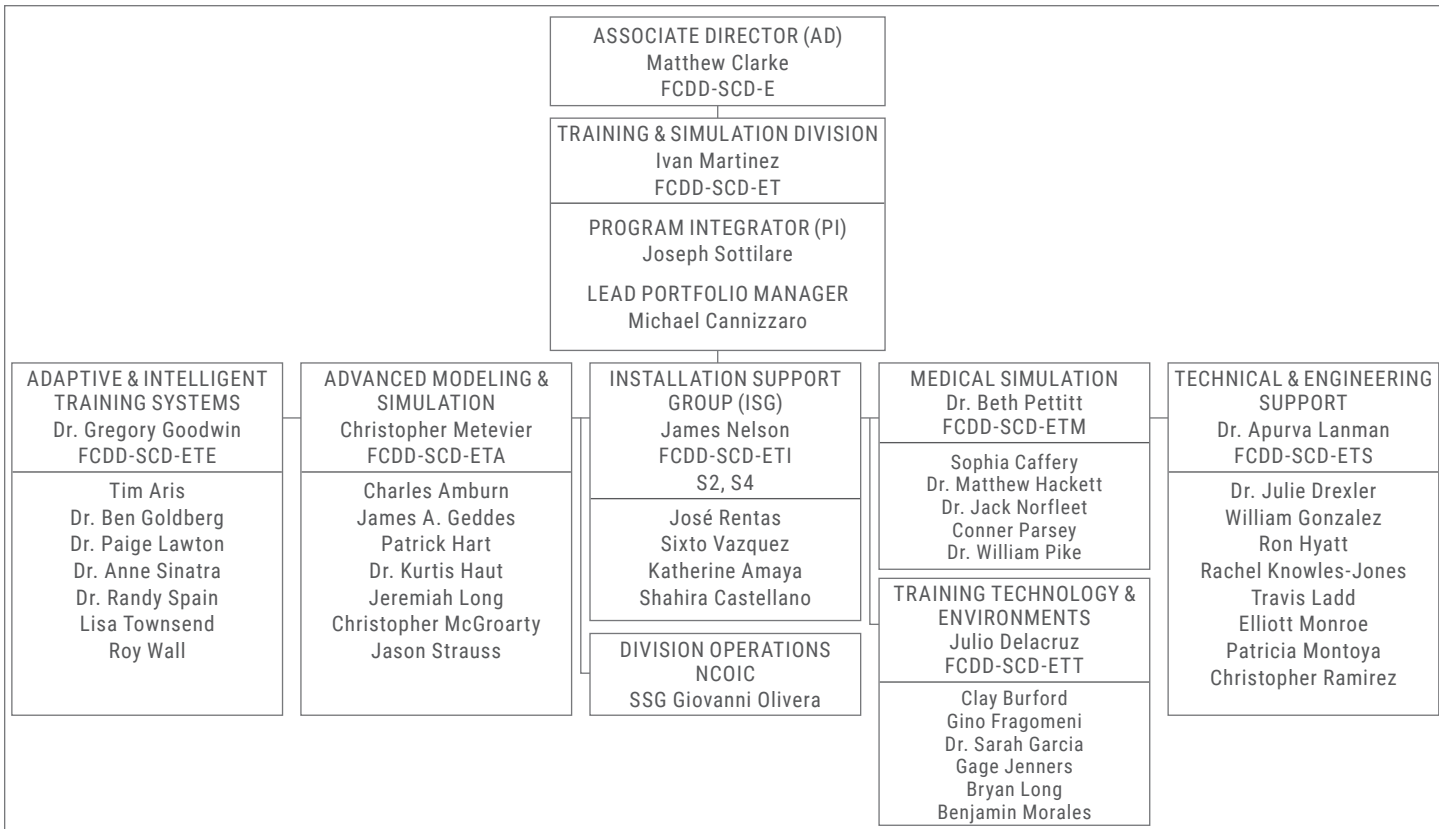
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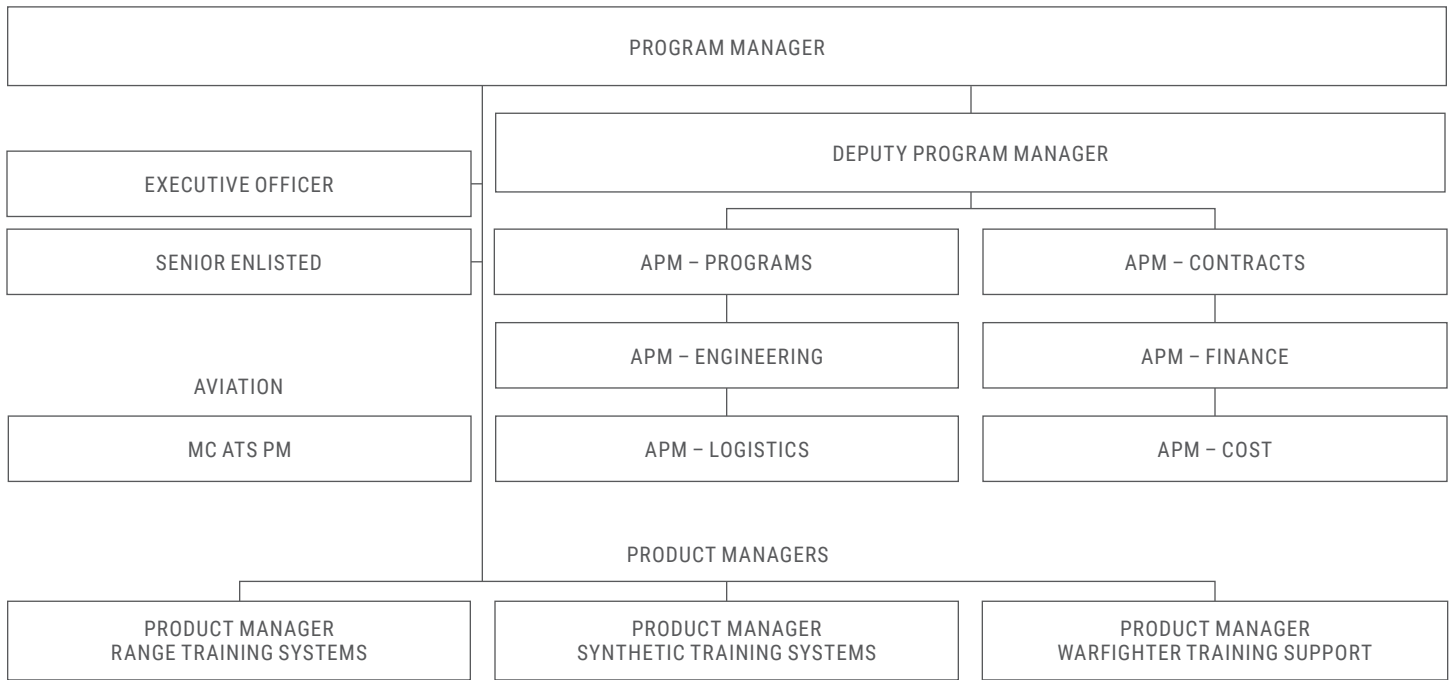
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# CAPT ROBERT BETTS, USN

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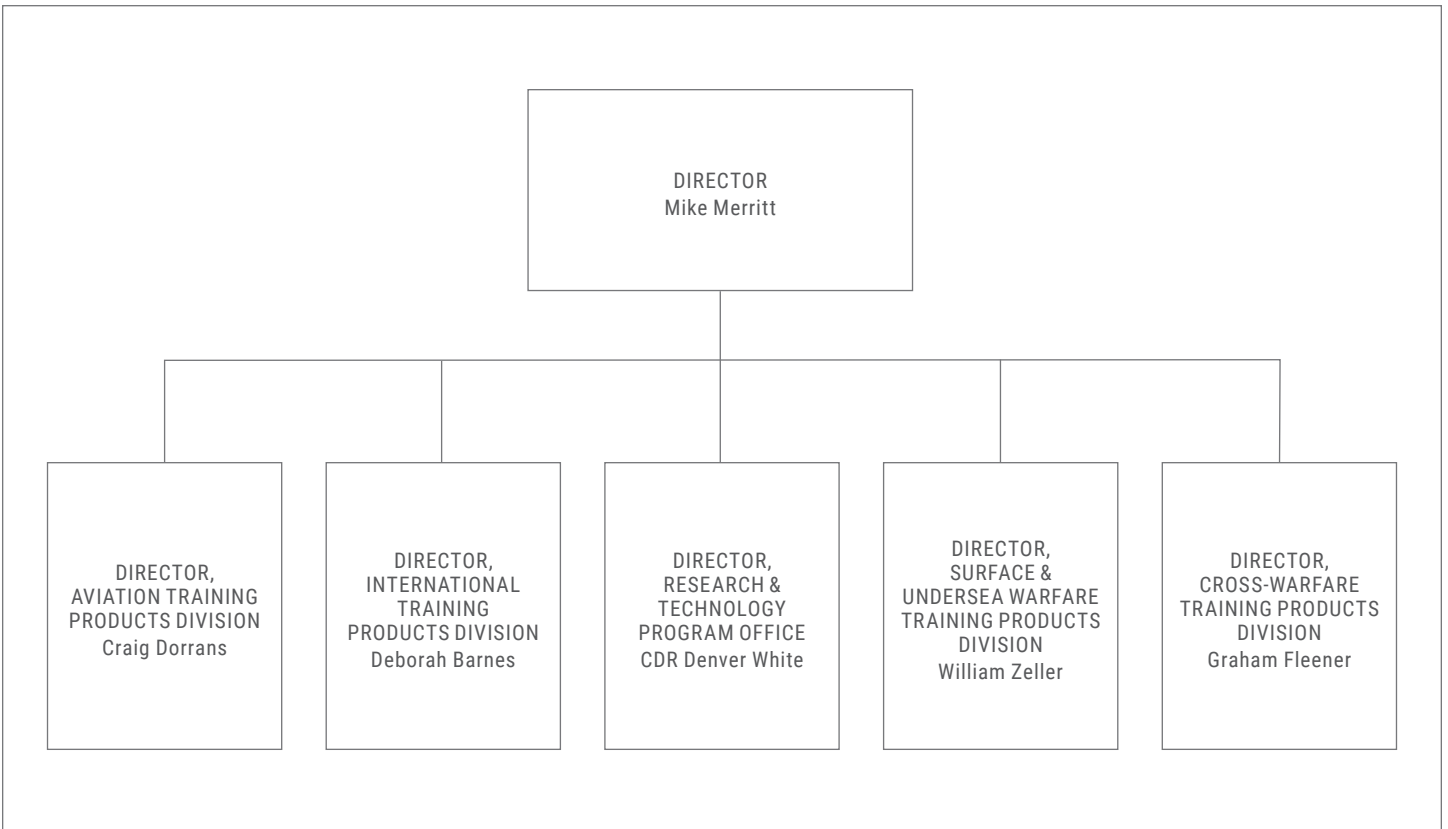
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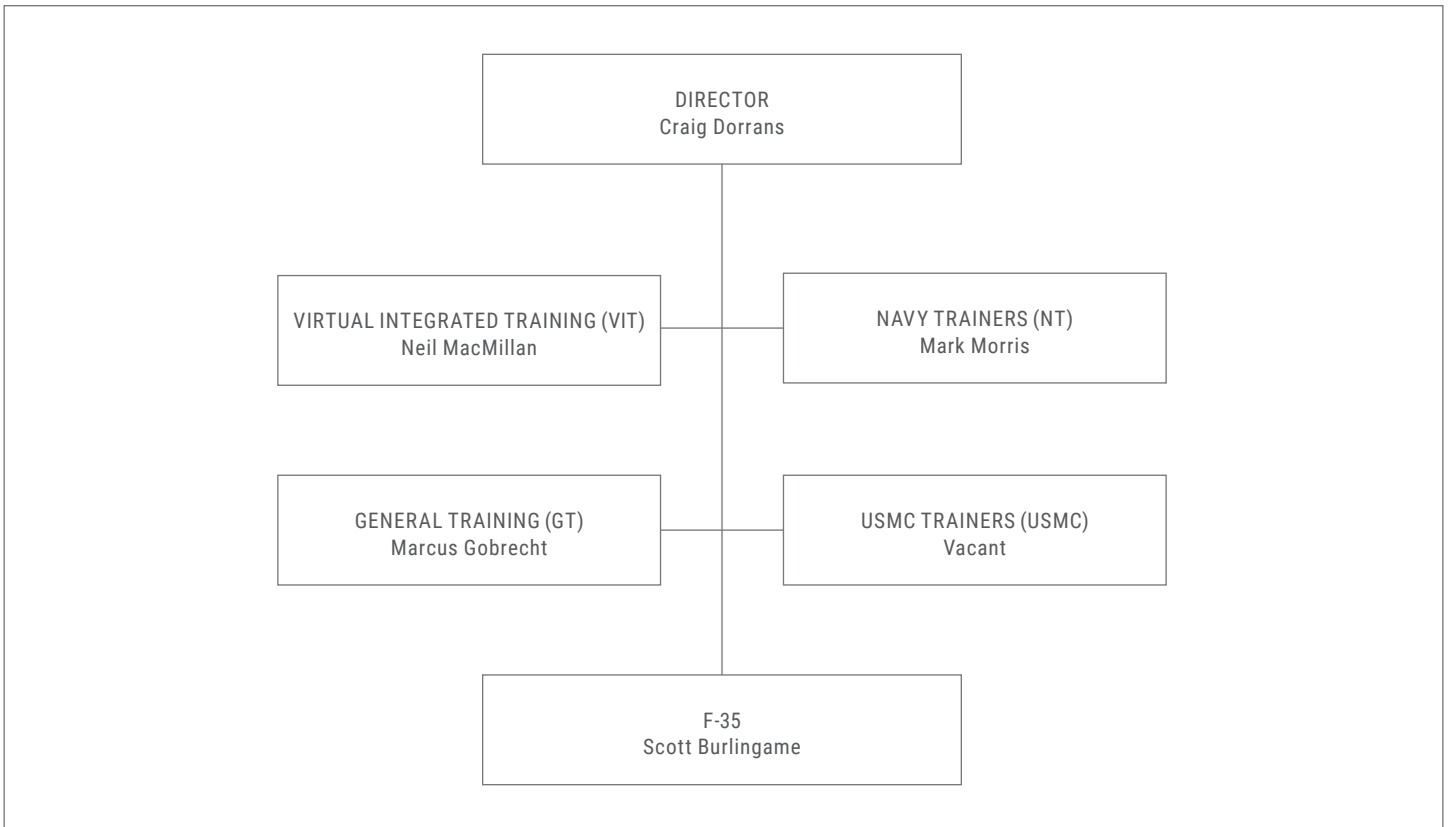
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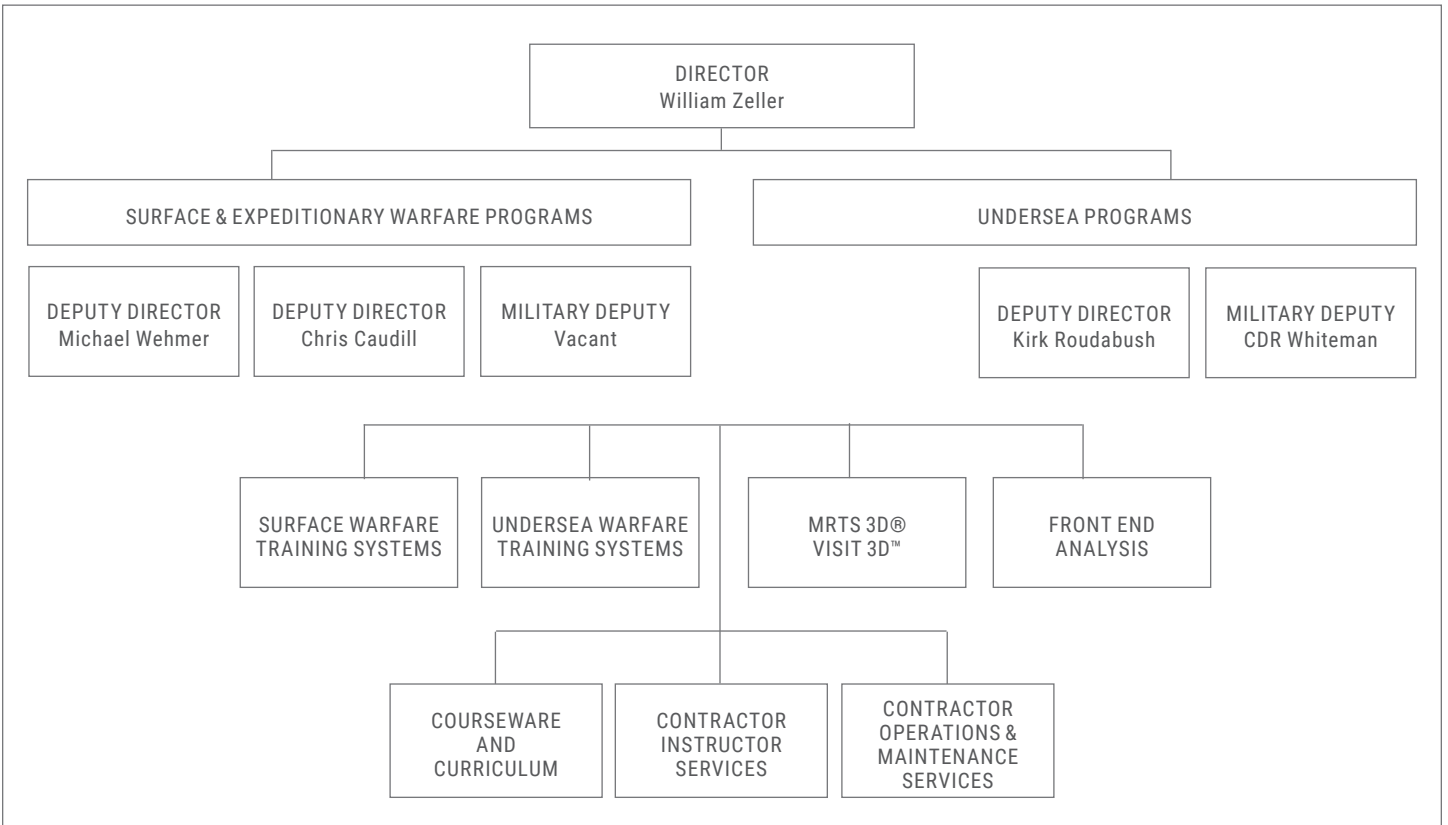
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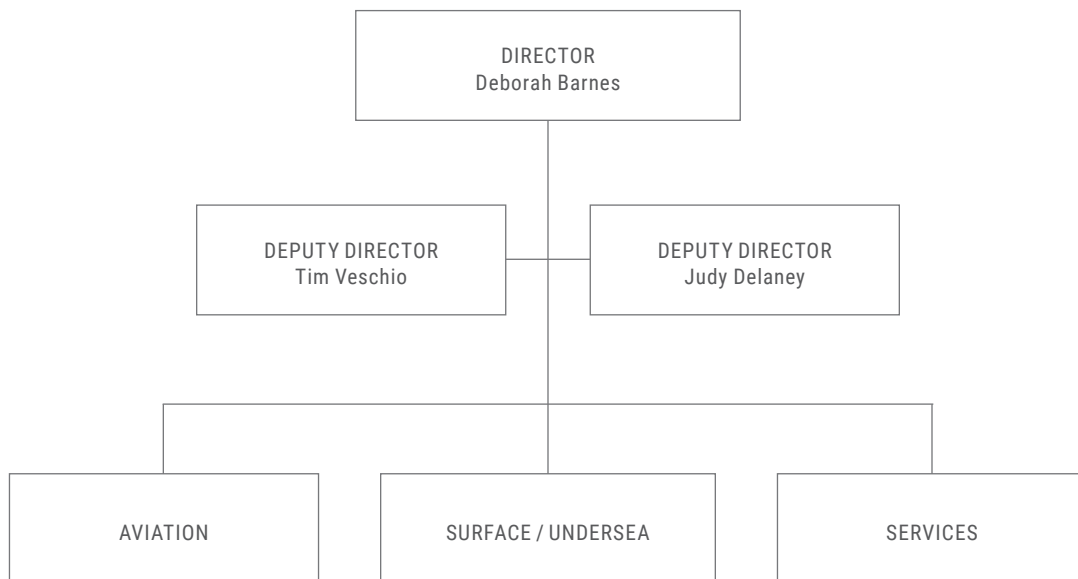
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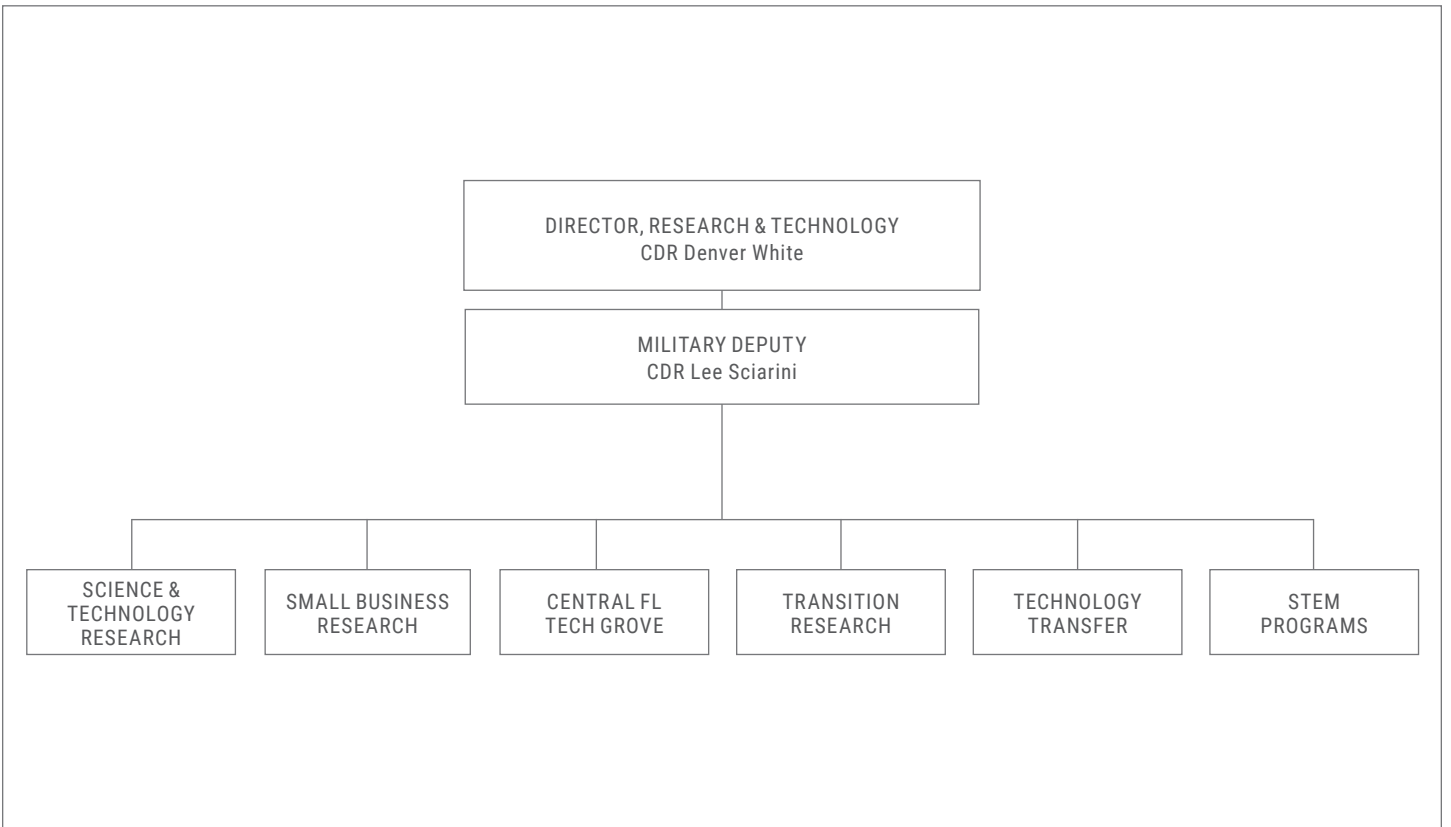
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# SPEAKER BIOS



# VADM SEAN S. BUCK, USN (RET.)

President, National Training and Simulation Association (NTSA)



Vice Admiral Sean S. Buck, a native of Indianapolis, Indiana, graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1983 and retired from naval service after 40+ years of commissioned service. His active-duty career culminated as the 63rd Superintendent of the US Naval Academy, our nation's premier leadership development institution where he gained invaluable and in-depth knowledge and experience running an institution of higher education. Additionally, having

commanded six times in the military, he has tremendous applied-leadership experience at the highest levels of military and government as well as specialization in strategy and policy development and international affairs.

On June 3rd, 2024, Sean embarked on his current position as the President of the National Training and Simulation Association (NTSA), a non-profit affiliate of the National Defense Industry Association (NDIA). In his role, he leads a team of 310 employees and/or volunteers that represent and advocate for its membership of technology companies involved with cutting edge innovation and research in the modeling and simulation space for training systems. Additionally, he serves on the Advisory Board of Academy Securities and its Geopolitical Intelligence Group, the Advisory Board for Synergist Technology, the Military Advisory Board for First Command Financial Services, as a Trustee to the US Naval Academy's Athletic and Scholarship Program, and as a member of the Leadership Committee for the US National Naval Museum Development Foundation. To date, he has also been engaged as a keynote speaker for the US Department of Agriculture and Babson College's E-Tower Young Entrepreneurs Conference.

Sean's academic credentials include: a Master of Arts in Security Policy Studies from The George Washington University; completed

studies at the College of Naval Command and Staff, U.S. Naval War College; the Armed Forces Staff College; a year-long fellowship with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Seminar XXI Foreign Politics, International Relations, and the National Interest program; Executive Certificate Programs at both the Harvard Kennedy School and Harvard Graduate School of Education; and a special assignment as a Senior Fellow on the Chief of Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group-an innovation think tank for the Navy, tasked with solving the service's most vexing problem sets.

Sean's operational naval service was as a Naval Flight Officer in the Maritime Patrol and Reconnaissance naval aviation community accumulating over 4000 flight hours and command- level leadership at the Squadron, Air Wing, and three higher-level organizations culminating with command of the US FOURTH Fleet.

Ashore, he had over a decade of service in the Pentagon on multiple tours of duty with the Navy Staff as well as the Joint Chiefs of Staff. During these tours he specialized in strategy and policy development, international affairs, as well as personnel management. Additionally, he leveraged unique opportunities in his career by earning designation as a member of the Navy's Space Cadre while serving at the National Reconnaissance Office and gained tremendous experience within collegiate sports by serving both as a Division I athlete (Tennis) as well as a member of the NCAA's Division I Board of Directors and a member of the Executive Committee of the American Athletic Conference.

In 2023, enabled by a lifetime of public service, diverse personal and professional leadership experiences, and public speaking, Sean started a consulting firm, "Actually in The Arena LLC," to offer services and successful strategic solutions with the highest levels of integrity, accountability, and competence to his clients who are in the arena.



# MR. SEAN OSMOND

President, National Defense Industrial Association - Central Florida Chapter (NDIA-CFL)



Sean Osmond is the Vice President of the Central Florida Chapter, National Defense Industrial Association and the Director of Business Development for Wittenstein Motion Control. With over 25 years of industry experience, and a 26 year career in the Marine Corps, serving the defense MS&T community is truly a passion project.

Across his career, Sean has demonstrated experience in training systems, software as a service, hardware development, and systems integration. He has worked for small and large businesses, supporting a wide range of programs and services.

As the Director of Business Development with Wittenstein, Sean supports both commercial and government divisions for the US and international portfolios including aviation, defense, simulation, and subsea capabilities.

As a lifelong volunteer addict, Sean serves on the board of the Central Florida chapters for the National Defense Industrial Association and Army Aviation Association of America, volunteers with the Marine Corps Foundation, and Scouts BSA Troops 4613 and 613. Sean earned his BS in Marketing, MS in Computer Science, and several graduate certificates from the University of Central Florida. Sean is also a Certified Modeling and Simulation Professional (CMSP), Master Level.



## MR. RODNEY STEVENS, SES

Program Executive Officer, Training Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center (AFLCMC)



Rodney Stevens, a member of the Senior Executive Service, is the Program Executive Officer, Training Directorate at the Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. He leads over 1,700 employees and more than \$7.43B. Mr. Stevens provides strategic direction and senior-level oversight for the Directorate's four Divisions, located primarily at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Tinker Air Force Base, and Hill Air Force Base. Under his leadership, these Divisions deliver critical materiel solutions and manage the acquisition life cycle for a Training specific portfolio, including the T-7 Red Hawk, Advanced Training Capabilities, Simulators and over 1,500 fielded Training Aircraft for the USAF and its International Partners.

During his Air Force career, he attained a diverse background in acquisition, aircraft maintenance, and staff experience. He served as a Materiel Leader for F-22 Sustainment, a National Defense Fellow to a US Senator, Chief of the Congressional Operations Branch, and was an

F-15E Maintenance Operations Officer. Stevens retired from active duty as the Chief of the Development and Integration Division, Fighters and Bombers Directorate, leading a multi-functional team executing a Light Air Attack (LAA) program for Foreign Military Sales and the USAF with focus on Experimentation and Combat Air Advisory pilot training.

Prior to his current position, he served as the Deputy Program Executive Officer and Deputy Director for the Fighters and Advanced Aircraft Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. In this role, he was responsible for the development, production, fielding, sustainment, and modernization of the Air Force fighter portfolio, which included the A-10, F-15, F-16, F-22, and special programs, as well as overseeing the development of the F-47 program. His previous assignments also include serving as the Deputy PEO of the Rapid Sustainment Office, where he led a lean, agile organization focused on rapidly fielding sustainment capabilities to enhance mission readiness and reduce sustainment costs across the Air Force.



## MR. MARK STANKIEWICZ

Acting Chief Modeling and Simulation Officer and Director of Enterprise Modeling and Simulation at Studies and Analysis (SAF/SA), Office of the Secretary of the Air Force



Mr. Mark D. Stankiewicz is Acting Chief Modeling and Simulation Officer and Director of Enterprise Modeling and Simulation at Studies and Analysis (SAF/SA), Office of the Secretary of the Air Force, the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. He is responsible to the Director of SAF/SA, the Secretary, the Chief of Staff of the Air Force, and the Chief of Space Operations for developing and implementing the Department of the Air Force (DAF) enterprise modeling and simulation strategy.

He leads a military, civilian, and contractor team examining and developing architectures to provide the DAF with a model repository, shared license library and single login authentication across networks. His team manages the Advanced Framework for Simulation (AFSIM) at the joint and enterprise level and is responsible for the development of the next generation of campaign analytic tools for the DoD. He sits as the Air Force's liaison to the Office of the Secretary of Defense Analytic Working Group's Modeling and Simulation sub-group.

Mr. Stankiewicz has over 24 years of experience in the U.S Department of Defense, with the majority spent as an operations research analyst

for the Department of the Air Force developing strategic analysis and creating models. Mr. Stankiewicz started out designing manufacturing equipment in Massachusetts. In 1997 he moved to the DC area to design ship parts for the Navy as a contractor. He worked on the DDG 51 class Destroyers and the PMS 385 Strategic Sealift programs. In 1999 he moved contracting firms to support the Air Force where he performed mission level analysis supporting Air Force POM scenarios in Air Force Studies and Analyses office. In 2005 Mr. Stankiewicz was detailed to support Air Force Checkmate providing strategic analytic support to current day operations. In addition to his experience with the Air Force, he served as an analyst for the Joint Staff J-8 Warfighting Analysis Directorate analyzing and assessing current day operations plans. He spent five years as a technical advisor for future warfare analysis reviewing and ensuring the analytic integrity of studies and analyses and managing the resources and computing required to perform speed-of-relevance analysis informing senior leader decisions on future warfighting capabilities and resource allocation.

Throughout his career Mr. Stankiewicz has gained experience in many of the modeling and simulation tools that are used throughout the Department of Defense. He came over to the civilian service in 2008.



## BG CHRISTINE A. BEELER, USA

Capability Program Executive, U.S. Army Capability Program Executive Simulation, Training, Test and Threat (CPE ST3)



Brigadier General Christine A. Beeler is the Capability Program Executive (CPE) of the U. S. Army Capability Program Executive Simulation, Training, Test and Threat (CPE ST3) headquartered in Orlando, Florida. CPE ST3 executes a multi-billion-dollar testing, training, and threat portfolio annually, and is staffed by 980 military, government civilian and service support contractors. The organization also manages a Foreign Military Sales program which supports

more than 65 countries.

Before assuming the charter as CPE, Brigadier General Beeler served as the commanding general of the U. S. Army Contracting Command (ACC) headquartered at Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama. Prior to ACC, Brigadier General Beeler served as the Commanding General for the U.S. Army Mission and Installation Contracting Command at Joint Base San Antonio-Sam Houston, Texas.

Brigadier General Beeler was a distinguished military graduate and commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Ordnance Corps through the Army ROTC program at Boston University in 1991, where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. She began her Army Acquisition career in 2001, and is certified in Defense Contracting, Program Management and Logistics.

Her advanced education includes a Master of Arts in Administration and Management from Bowie State University, Prince George's County, Maryland; a Master of Public Administration in Environmental Management from Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, Alabama; and a Master

of Business Administration from Webster University. Brigadier General Beeler's military education includes a Master of Science in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College. She is a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College.

Brigadier General Beeler has held numerous command and staff positions. Her key assignments include Logistics Officer, 501st Corps Support Group, Uijongbu, South Korea; Commander, 595th Maintenance Company, Songnam, South Korea; Contracting Officer, Doha, Qatar; Assistant Product Manager, Patriot Missile and Medium Extended Air Defense Systems, Huntsville, Alabama; Professor of Program Management and Course Director, Army Acquisition Basic Course, Huntsville, Alabama; Commander, Army Contracting Command-Kuwait, Camp Arifjan, Kuwait; Contracting Operations Staff Officer, Expeditionary Contracting Command, Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama; Executive Officer to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Procurement, Army Staff, Pentagon; Commander, 414th Contracting Support Brigade, Vicenza, Italy; Deputy Director of Contracting, United States Army Corps of Engineers; and Deputy Commanding General, OCONUS Operations, United States Army Contracting Command.

Her military decorations and awards include the Legion of Merit with three oak leaf clusters, the Bronze Star Medal, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf clusters, the Army Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Army Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Joint Meritorious Unit Award, and the Army Superior Unit Award. She is airborne qualified and authorized to wear the Army Staff Badge.



## COL NATASHIA COLEMAN, USA

Project Manager Simulation (PM SIM), U.S. Army Capability Program Executive Simulation, Training, Test and Threat (CPE ST3)



Colonel Coleman is currently serving as the Project Manager for Simulation (PM SIM) at CPE ST3. She recently served on the ASA(ALT) staff as special assistant for industry engagements. Prior to serving on the Army Staff, she served as the Joint Product Manager for Reconnaissance & Platform Integration, assigned to Joint Project Manager (JPM) CBRN Sensors, Joint Program Executive Officer for Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear

Defense (JPEO CBRND) from June 2022-June 2024. In this position she was the primary lead for CBRN reconnaissance systems including the NBCRV Sensor Suite Upgrade (SSU) and Dismounted Reconnaissance Suits, Kits, & Outfits (DR SKO) as well as all Army obscuration and CBRN Sensors integration onto robotics platforms.

Colonel Coleman served as the Product Manager for Unified Network Capabilities and Integration (UNCI), assigned to the Project Manager (PM) Tactical Network, Program Executive Office for Command, Control, Communications-Network (PEO C3N) from Jan 2020-June 2022. In this position she was responsible for cyber & network compliance of sustainment information systems and integrating the capability into the

unified network. She was also responsible for maturing and adapting new information technologies into capability sets to enhance the integrated tactical network. Colonel Coleman began her Army Acquisition career in 2012 and is a certified advanced program manager. Her advanced education includes a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock in 2005, Master of Arts in Human Resource Development and Training from Webster University in 2011, and Project Management Professional (PMP) certification from the Program Management Institute (PMI) in 2022.

Her military education includes Signal Officer basic and advanced courses, Adjutant General advanced course, and U.S. Army Command & General Staff College. Colonel Coleman has served in the Army for over 26 years including both the enlisted and officer ranks. She has held numerous command and staff positions in various logistics, signal, acquisition, and operational assignments over the course of her career. She served a combat tour in Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) in 2008 with the 3rd Sustainment Command as a Company Executive Officer. Other previous assignments include: Platoon Leader for the 212th Signal Battalion; Automations Officer and Assistant Brigade S6 for the 77th Aviation Brigade; Assistant Force



Integration Readiness Officer; OCS Training, Advising and Counseling (TAC) Instructor, HHC Company Commander with the 233rd Regional Training Institute; Contingency Contracting Management Officer; Resource Management & Organizational Readiness Instructor at the NGB Professional Education Center; Mission Command Systems Coordinator and Requirements Analyst at NGB; Assistant Product Manager for the Commander's Risk Reduction Program, Deployed Theater Accountability System (DTAS), and the Tactical Personnel

System (TPS) at PEO Enterprise; and Acquisition Career Manager.

Colonel Coleman's military decorations and awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Army Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters, the Army Achievement Medal, the Joint Meritorious Unit Award, and the Army Meritorious Unit Commendation. She is authorized to wear the Army Staff Badge.



## MS. ELIZABETH BLEDSOE

Project Manager Training Devices (PM TRADE), U.S. Army Capability Program Executive Simulation, Training, Test and Threat (CPE ST3)



Liz Bledsoe is a retired U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel. During her 20-year Army career, Liz served as a Signal Corps Officer in 11th Signal Brigade, which included deployments to Somalia (Operation Restore Hope) and Haiti (Operation Uphold Democracy). Her military career continued in Germany with 7th Signal Brigade and US Army Europe (USAREUR). She transferred to the Army Acquisition Corps and completed tours in the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA), Army

Human Resources Command, and Joint Program Executive Office (JPEO) Joint Tactical Radio Systems (JTRS).

Following her military retirement in 2012, Liz worked in the Cyber Acquisition office in the Assistant Secretary of the Army (ASA) Acquisition,

Logistics and Technology (ALT) where she assisted in creating the foundations for Army cyber acquisition programs in coordination with HQDA and ASA(ALT). Then she was the Deputy Product Manager for Cyber Resiliency and Training that included the initiation of the Persistent Cyber Training Environment (PCTE) program at the Army Program Executive Office Simulation, Training, and Instrumentation (PEO STRI). In September 2021, Liz assumed the charter as the Product Manager for Electronic Warfare Integration (EWI) under Project Manager Electronic Warfare and Cyber (EW&C), PEO Intelligence, Electronic Warfare and Sensors (IEW&S).

On June 27, 2025, she assumed the charter as Project Manager for Training Devices at Capability Program Executive Simulation, Training, Test and Threat (CPE ST3).



## MR. BRADLEY HORTON

Project Lead Threat Systems Management Office (PL TSMO), U.S. Army Capability Program Executive Simulation, Training, Test and Threat (CPE ST3)



Mr. Brad Horton is the Project Lead of the U.S. Army's Threat Systems Management Office (PL TSMO) at Redstone Arsenal. PL TSMO is the lifecycle manager for the Army's threat, instrumentation, and target capabilities and reports to the Capability Program Executive for Simulation, Training, Test, and Threat (CPE ST3, formerly PEO STRI). The office acquires, operates, and sustains unique technologies to provide accurate and threat-faithful Electronic Warfare, UAS,

Cyberspace, Information Advantage, and test-enabling capabilities and infrastructure. These systems support the Army and Joint partners in Test & Evaluation, assessment, experimentation, and training. The TSMO portfolio includes one of five CYBERCOM-accredited Red Teams authorized to emulate full-spectrum cyber, physical, and operational security threats against Department of War systems and commands.

Before his appointment as PL TSMO, Mr. Horton accumulated more than 20 years of experience as an intelligence and security practitioner. Prior to his government service, he held various software and security positions with defense contractors, including General Dynamics, SAIC, and Dynetics, where he supported NASA, the Missile Defense Agency, and clients in the commercial insurance, medical, and financial sectors. Mr. Horton's civilian service with the Army spans 17 years. During this time,

he served as an on-net cyber operator, close-access operator, mission lead, and chief for teams, branches, and divisions. In these roles, he became the longest-serving Red Team chief within the Department of War. In 2021, he helped establish the Information Advantage division within TSMO, integrating a new portfolio of technical effects and next-generation assessment capabilities. In 2023, he completed a Joint Duty Rotation with the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Office (CDAO), the Defense Digital Service (DDS), and the Office of the Principal Cyber Advisor to the Secretary of the Army, supporting the "Hack the Pentagon" program and other initiatives to deliver secure technology to the warfighter.

Mr. Horton is a member of the U.S. Army Acquisition Corps and holds a Level 3 certification in Information Technology. His professional certifications include Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP), Information Systems Security Management Professional (ISSMP), Certified Ethical Hacker (CEH), and Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA). From 2012 to 2023, he also served as the Technical Editor for McGraw Hill's "All-in-One" Certified Ethical Hacker certification guides.

Mr. Horton holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Alabama, a master's degree in management of information systems, and a graduate certificate in information assurance from the University of Alabama at Huntsville.



## MR. JUSTIN FORTUNE

Project Lead Training Aids, Devices, Simulators, and Simulations (TADSS) Support Operations (PL TSO), U.S. Army Capability Program Executive Simulation, Training, Test and Threat (CPE ST3)



Mr. Justin Fortune is the Project Leader for TADSS Support Operations (TSO) within the Program Executive Office, Simulation, Training, and Instrumentation (PEO STRI).

In his current position he is responsible to support the Project Lead in the execution of AR 350-38 TADSS Maintenance Program, providing integrated training systems maintenance and selected training services world-wide. This effort entails management of no less than five contracts encompassing the maintenance of almost 300,000 TADSS around the world.

Prior to joining the Department of the Army, he served as a civilian employee for 11 years for the Department of the Air Force. He served in various roles to include his first civilian position as Branch Chief, A300 Current Operations, Air Force District of Washington (AFDW) responsible for the readiness of the Operations Center for the AFDW Commander. His next civilian position was acquisitions related serving as an International

Planner for the Joint Strike Fighter (JSF) Engine Integrated Product Team coordinating F135 requirements and actions with the JSF Partnered Nations.

From International Planner he moved into the Retrofit/Modifications Manager position for the F135 Engine with a driving goal to ready the engine for Initial Operational Capability (IOC) of the United States Marine Corps (USMC). Following USMC IOC, leadership reassigned him to be the Production Lead for the F135 Engine. After working at the JSF, he took a position with the USAF at Eglin Air Force Base as the Deputy Materiel Leader Direct Attack Munitions, Foreign Military Sales (FMS). From there he moved to be the Production Manager Small Diameter Bomb Increment II and then Section Chief, Subscale Aerial Targets.

Before joining the ranks of the civilian service, he worked as a contractor supporting PMA-265 FMS programs at Patuxent River Naval Air Station, Maryland. Prior to contractor and civilian service, he served on active duty in the United States Air Force retiring in the rank of lieutenant colonel.



## MR. DALE WHITTAKER

Project Lead International Program Office (PL IPO), U.S. Army Capability Program Executive Simulation, Training, Test and Threat (CPE ST3)



Mr. Whittaker manages the International Program Office (IPO) portfolio of programs currently supporting 66 countries with over 350 Foreign Military Sales (FMS) cases with a total case value of \$2.9B. He supports the Army Security Assistance Enterprise as one of five Army Security Assistance Management Directors who provides total life cycle support to FMS cases. This dual role oversees the development of requirements while writing and

managing FMS cases and performs the acquisition functions of a PM/PL delivering training and training system products and services to our partner nations. He cosponsored the development of the \$2.4B Enterprise Training and Services Contract (ETSC) that supports Train, Advise, Assist and Mentor missions as well as training systems operations and maintenance support for both the US Army and our international partners around the globe. He co-chairs the Modeling, Instrumentation, and Simulation for Training (MIST) working group with FVEY partner nations to leverage technologies and assure interoperability in the training environment for coalition training and exercises.

Mr. Whittaker previously served as Director, International Programs for Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWCTSD). He supported 50 partner nations with approximately 200 FMS cases with a

total case value of \$1B. In this role he was the lead for NAVAIR training and training systems FMS case development supporting multiple aircraft platforms and PMAs. He was assigned as the PMA-205 Program Manager for International Programs and oversaw the procurement and delivery of aviation training systems in support of the partner nations' aircraft. As the NAWCTSD Director, International Programs he developed and delivered surface, undersea and special emphasis programs across the NAWCTSD training systems portfolio of products and services. He spearheaded the Building Partner Capacity Program for Enhanced International Peacekeeping Capabilities (EIPC) program in support of the Department of State. The EIPC program provided COCOM prioritized training capability to 27 partner nations. This program provided regional training capabilities to enable partner nations to support US and NATO missions around the globe by providing them with quality training facilities and methods to support those missions.

Mr. Whittaker has over 38 years of military and government service that began when he joined the U.S. Marine Corps in October 1983. He has over 24 years of international and acquisition experience supporting DOD objectives in building relationships and providing interoperability with our partners. He is DAWIA Advanced certified in Program Management and Business/Financial Management. He is a DOD certified Level III International Affairs Professional.



## COL TED STOKES, USA

Director, Future Training Directorate (FTD)



Ted L. Stokes a native of Fort Meyers, Florida, first entered military service in January 1995, enlisting in the Military Police Corps. After five years of enlisted service, he applied to and attended the US Army Officer Candidate School and was commissioned as a 2L T of Armor.

He holds a Bachelor of Science in Advertising from the University of Florida, a Master's in Business Administration (MBA) from Webster University, a Master's in Military Operational Art and Science, and a Master's in Strategic Studies, both from the School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS).

Stokes' first assignment as an officer was to 1st Squadron, 4th US Cavalry, 1st Infantry Division in Schweinfurt, GE, serving as a Tank platoon leader, Scout platoon leader, Company executive officer, and assistant operations officer. During his career he has served in primary staff positions of an operations officer, executive officer, and chief of staff within the 1st Cavalry Division, the 1st, and 7th Infantry Divisions, the 201st Battlefield Surveillance Brigade, the 316th Cavalry Brigade, the National Training Center, the United States Military Academy Preparatory School (USMAPS), and

the III Armored Corps. He has served at various levels of command, from platoon leader to regiment command, as well as commandant. His most recent assignment was as the chief of staff for the Synthetic Training Environment (CFT-STE).

Stokes has three combat tours, initially serving as a Division Battle Captain while deployed to Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) in 2004, and then as a Troop Commander and HHT Commander in 6th Squadron, 9th US Cavalry, while again deployed to OIF in 2006. He also deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan and was assigned to CJ3/5 in the International Security Assistance Force, serving as a Joint/Strategic Plans Officer and then Squadron Operations Officer with the 2nd Squadron, 1st US Cavalry Regiment.

He now leads a highly specialized team of military officers, Army civilians, and contractors who are working to modernize the Army from what has been 1970's and 80's technology - to today's advancements in Next Generation Constructive, Embedded Training, Artificial Intelligence, and Synthetic Training Environments.

Stokes is married to the former Marizza Alvarez of Chicago, IL and they have two daughters (Tristyn and Delaney). Tristyn is a graduate of UCF and a graphic designer. Delaney is a Senior at UCF and studying to be an Environmental Engineer.



## DR. VERNON MYERS

Deputy Director, U.S. Army Contracting Command – Orlando (ACC-ORL)



Vernon L. Myers is the Deputy Executive Director for the U.S. Army Contracting Command – Orlando, one of six major Contracting Centers of the U.S. Army Contracting Command.

In his capacity as the Deputy Executive Director, Dr. Myers is responsible for the leadership and operations of ACC-Orlando Execution Directorate, which consists of over 135 contracting professionals who execute a multi-billion-dollar portfolio supporting the Army's Simulations, Training, Test, and Threat portfolio. ACC-Orlando provides tailored contracting solutions in support of Joint Warfighters, Anytime, Anywhere in support of a diverse customer base to include the Capability Program Executive for Simulations, Training, Test, and Threat (CPE ST3), the Army Futures Command, the Capability Portfolio Executive for Maneuver Air, the National Guard Bureau, Army Transformation and Training Command, Army Intelligence Center of Excellence and the Security Assistance Training Management office.

Prior to assuming his current role as a civilian senior leader, Dr. Myers served as an Active-Duty Army officer with over 26 years of service, retiring as a Colonel. A Distinguished Military Graduate from Central State University in Wilberforce, Ohio, LTC Myers was commissioned as a second lieutenant of Infantry, and he served in Light and Mechanized

Infantry units prior to transitioning into the Army Acquisition Corps. As a senior acquisition officer, Dr. Myers served as Commander of the 916th Contingency Contracting Battalion and Chief, RCO-Miami Contracting Office from 2010 to 2013. He served in Kuwait as the Deputy Commander/Chief of Staff, DCMA-Middle East from 2013-2014. In 2014, Dr. Myers served at Joint Base Langley-Eustis as Director, MICC-Fort Eustis and Chief LNO to the TRADOC G8, followed by culminating as the Military Deputy to the Executive Director, ACC-Orlando in 2017. His most recent assignment prior to his current position was as an ACC-Orlando Branch Chief which he assumed in 2018.

Dr. Myers has been awarded the Legion of Merit and the Civilian Service Achievement Medal. He is also a proud recipient of the Order of Saint George award.

Dr. Myers holds a Master of Science Degree in Acquisition Management from the Florida Institute of Technology and earned his doctorate in business specializing in strategy and innovation from Capella University. Dr. Myers is a member of the Army Acquisition Corps and holds Advanced and Professional certifications in Contracting and Program Management. He is also a Project Management Professional and a Certified Scrum Master.

Dr. Myers is married to Mrs. Chandra L. Phillips-Myers and they have two daughters.



## MR. JOSEPH SOTTILARE

Strategic & Program Integrator, Simulation and Training Technology Center (STTC)



Mr. Joe Sottolare is the Strategic and Program Integrator (SPI) for the US Army Development Command Soldier Center (DEVCOM SC). He works directly for the Simulation and Training Technology Center (STTC) in Orlando, Florida and oversees planning and execution of the entire STTC Research Portfolio, as well as Continuous Process Improvement for all major business activities within the organization.

Mr. Sottolare holds a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering and a Master's Degree in Modeling & Simulation. He began his career following graduation as a Systems Engineer intern for

the Program Manager for Training Devices at the Program Executive Office Simulation Training and Instrumentation.

Later he worked for the Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWCTSD) in Orlando as an Interoperability Engineer and Lab Lead, with a focus on development, integration and verification of interoperability requirements in Navy Aviation training systems to support Fleet Synthetic Training Aviation (FST-A) through FST-Joint (FST-J) distributed training exercises.

He also has extensive business experience from owning a private behavior therapy company (30+ employees).



## MR. MICHAEL CANNIZZARO

Lead Portfolio Integrator, Simulation and Training Technology Center (STTC)



Mr. Michael (Mike) Cannizzaro is the Lead Portfolio Integrator in the US Army DEVCOM Soldier Center, Training and Simulations Division (TSD). Mr. Cannizzaro is responsible for planning, coordinating and aligning Science and Technology projects that close critical technology gaps in Modeling, Simulation & Training. Mr. Cannizzaro has over 20 years of Army

S&T experience, having previously served as S&T portfolio manager and chief engineer of the CAC-T Future Training Directorate (FTD), as well as branch chief and senior engineer in the DEVCOM C5ISR Center in electronic warfare and air/ground survivability equipment. Mr. Cannizzaro has achieved a Bachelor of Computer Engineering degree from the University of Delaware and a Master of Computer Engineering degree from Stevens Institute of Technology.



## MR. CLAY BURFORD

Science & Technology Manager, Simulation and Training Technology Center (STTC)



Mr. Clayton Burford is a Science & Technology Manager for digital terrain research and development at the U.S. Army's DEVCOM Soldier Center Simulation and Training Technology Center (STTC). His professional experience includes over 20 years of Department of War acquisition. His focus is on digital terrain content applicable to Army Warfighting Functions with an emphasis on its utility within Training Aides, Devices, Simulations, and Simulators (TADSS).



## MR. ALLEN GEDDES

Science & Technology Manager, Simulation and Training Technology Center (STTC)



Mr. Allen Geddes is a Science and Technology (S&T) Manager at the U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command Soldier Center (DEVCOM SC) Simulation and Training Technology Center (STTC). In his current role, Mr. Geddes leads DEVCOM SC's Cyberspace Warfare for Training (CyWar-T) S&T research program. He has 20 years of Systems, Network, and Software Engineering experience and holds the following certifications: CompTIA A+, CompTIA Network+, CompTIA Security+, Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator (MCSA), and Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MCSE). He has earned B.S. degrees in Management Information Systems and Software Development from the University of Central Florida and an M.S. in Systems Engineering and Program Management from the Naval Postgraduate School.



## DR. BENJAMIN GOLDBERG

Senior Research Scientist, Simulation and Training Technology Center (STTC)



Dr. Benjamin Goldberg is a Senior Research Scientist at the U.S. Army Combat Capability Development Command – Soldier Center where he serves as technical lead for a research program focused on the development and evaluation of adaptive Training Management Tools for future Army training systems. Dr. Goldberg's research focuses on adaptive experiential learning with an emphasis on simulation-based environments and leveraging Artificial

Intelligence to create personalized experiences. This involves exploring research questions linked to intelligent tutoring, competency development,

persistent learner modeling, immersive interaction, mixed reality, and user experience. His research aims to impact how technology can be applied to support the development and sustainment of expertise in challenging domains that require proficiency across cognitive, psychomotor, and affective knowledge and skill sets. Dr. Goldberg holds a Ph.D. in Modeling & Simulation from the University of Central Florida and has researched adaptive instructional systems and intelligent tutoring for the last 15 years. He is well published across several high-impact journals and proceedings, including IEEE Transactions of Learning Technologies, the Journal of Artificial Intelligence in Education (AIED), and Computers in Human Behavior.



## DR. M. BETH PETTITT

Chief, Medical Simulation and Performance Branch, Simulation and Training Technology Center (STTC)



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## MAJOR GENERAL JAMES E. SMITH, USSF

Commander, Space Training and Readiness Command (STARCOM)



Maj. Gen. James E. Smith is the Commander, Space Training and Readiness Command, headquartered at Patrick Space Force Base, Florida. As Commander he is responsible for preparing the U.S. Space Force and more than 14,000 military and civilian Guardians to prevail in competition and conflict through innovative education, training, doctrine and test activities.

Originally from Boise, Idaho, Maj. Gen. Smith commissioned in 1997 as the top graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy.

His career spans numerous space operations and acquisition positions including command at the squadron, group, wing, garrison and Field Command levels. His staff assignments include Headquarters, North Atlantic Treaty Organization; Headquarters, Air Force Space Command; the Air Staff; the Space Staff; and the Joint Staff.

Maj. Gen. Smith has deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and to the U.S. Embassy in Iraq in support of Operation Inherent Resolve. Prior to his current position, Maj. Gen. Smith served as the Vice Director, Joint Force Development, J-7, the Joint Staff, Arlington, Virginia.



## COL WYNNDÉE M. YOUNG, USMC

Program Manager, Training Systems



Colonel Young hails from Oak Harbor, WA; graduate from Hampton University with a Bachelor's of Science in Accounting. Upon graduation and commissioning in 2002, she attended The Basic School, then completed Ground Supply Officer Course. In May 2003, she reported to Marine Tactical Air Control Squadron 18, Okinawa, Japan, where she served as the Supply Officer, managing supply account and the significant transfer of the command's individual issue

equipment to consolidated issue facilities.

In June 2005, First Lieutenant Young transferred to Combined Arms Training Center (CATC), Camp Fuji, Japan for duty as the S-4 Officer. She managed the logistic support for units conducting training and support to the CATC personnel, including six functions of logistics.

In June 2006, she was transferred to Marine Corps Recruiting Depot, Parris Island, SC for duty as a Series and Company Commander. After successful completion of Company Command, Captain Young served as Headquarters and Service Battalion's S-4 Officer. In May 2009, Captain Young attended Contracting Officer Course, Camp Johnson, NC. Upon graduation in September 2009, Captain Young reported as a student to Combined Logistics Captain Career Course (CLCCC), Fort Lee, VA. In March 2010, Captain Young graduated CLCCC, reported to Combat Logistic Regiment 27, 2D Marine Logistics Group for duty as a Contingency Contracting Officer, and attached to the Marine Corps Installation East Regional Contracting Office, Camp Lejeune, NC. In August 2010, Captain Young deployed to Regional Contracting Center, Camp Dwyer, Afghanistan, as a Contingency Contracting Officer supporting units in Helmand Province with construction, supplies, and services contracts.

In February of 2011, Captain Young reported to II Marine Expeditionary Force, G-4 to serve as the Contracting Advisor, providing oversight for contract officer deployments and planning future operations. In July 2012, Captain Young trained and deployed with the Operational Coordination Center Regional Southwest Security Force Advise and Assist Team (SFAAT), as the Supply Officer Advisor to the Afghan Army Supply Officer and coordinated organic logistics support to SFAAT.

In July 2014, Major Young attended Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Quantico Va. In August 2015, Major Young assumed the duties of

Director of Regional Contracting, Expeditionary Contracting Platoon, 3D Marine Logistics Group, Camp Kinser, Okinawa, Japan led small contract team and conducted multinational exercise contract planning, execution, and management in the Pacific Command.

In July 2017, Major Young assumed the duties of Executive Officer, Combat Logistics Battalion 7, Twenty-nine Palms, CA. In March 2018, Major Young was selected as the Logistics Officer to deploy with I Marine Expeditionary Force's Task Force Spartan, Al Taqaddum 18.2, Iraq, managing Camp Manion's Base Operations Support Integration mission, which included contracted life support, managing the air and ground transportation, maintenance, and overseeing engineer support.

In June 2019, Lieutenant Colonel Young reported to Headquarters Marine Corps Installation and Logistics, (LP) Sustainment, Operational Contract Support Section Head. She managed operational contract support policy development, planning and contract manning, training, and equipping.

In August 2020, Lieutenant Colonel Young reported to Portfolio Manager, Command Element Systems (CES), Program Manager Office Wargaming Capability, Marine Corps Systems Command. She managed the cost, schedule, and performance of the Marine Corps Wargaming and Analysis Center infrastructure audio visual and information technology design. Remaining in CES in May 2022, she was assigned as the Deputy Program Manager, Communication Systems, and managed the staff and product teams to effectively execute developing and fielding necessary equipment to Marines.

In April 2023, she assumed role the Program Manager for Wargaming Capability (PM WGC), responsible for achieving the critical program milestones to improve wargaming and analysis technology efforts and infrastructure installation into the Wargaming and Analysis Center. In October 2023, PM WGC became a Direct Report Program Manager.

Colonel Young's personal decorations include a Meritorious Service Medal; a Joint Commendation Medal; a Navy-Marine Corps Commendation Medals and Navy-Marine Corps Achievement Medal. Colonel Young holds a Masters of Business Administration from Webster University (2008) and Masters of Science Military Studies from Marine Corps University (2015). She also completed U.S. Navy's Insights into Industry Management Course Darden Executive Fellowship Course February 2025.



## MR. JOSEPH N. LOMANGINO

LVC Branch, Range and Training Programs Division



Joseph Lomangino serves as the Head of the LVC-TE Branch. He is currently leading Project Tripoli, which is TECOM's flagship initiative aimed at modernizing training through the development and deployment of a fully integrated Live, Virtual, and Constructive Training Environment (LVC-TE). With over two decades of leadership experience in both government and industry, Mr. Lomangino has established a distinguished career focused on aligning simulation

capabilities with the operational training objectives of the Marine Corps and the broader priorities of Force Design.

In his current role, Mr. Lomangino oversees a team of training and modeling & simulation professionals within the Range Training Programs Division (RTPD). This team is responsible for replacing legacy systems with modern capabilities, to create a cohesive enterprise structure. He acts as the primary financial lead for both joint and service-level LVC capability planning, resource advocacy, and multi-year acquisition strategies. This includes transitioning to an "acquisition of services" model that accelerates the delivery of LVC to the force.

His responsibilities encompass generating requirements (JCIDS), executing the Planning, Programming, Budgeting, and Execution (PPBE) process, formulating contract strategies, conducting system verification

and validation (VV&A), and coordinating directly with stakeholders across TECOM, PAE-MC, JS J-7, and allied service components.

Prior to leading Project Tripoli, Mr. Lomangino served as the Branch Head and senior modeling and simulation officer at the Marine Air-Ground Task Force Staff Training Program (MSTP), where he directed a team of simulation engineers in designing and executing large-scale Marine Expeditionary Force (MEF), Marine Expeditionary Brigade (MEB), and joint-level training exercises. He is recognized as a subject matter expert in simulation architecture and was appointed as the Marine Corps representative to the Joint Staff J-7's JLVC Federation.

His operational experience includes deployments as Team Leader and Operations Chief for Transition Teams in Iraq (2006–2008), where he led the training of Iraqi police and military units during counterinsurgency operations. Additionally, his early career involved roles in logistics operations, simulation exercise development, and executive leadership in the private sector.

Mr. Lomangino attended the University of Oklahoma, focusing on business management, and holds multiple certifications related to modeling and simulation and acquisition, including completion of the U.S. Army Simulation Operations Course (FA-57) and the Department of Defense M&S Staff Officer Course. He is actively involved in the Naval Research Working Group and various LVC governance bodies.



## MR. JAMES R. FRALEY

Head Range & Training Area Management, Training & Education Command



Mr. Fraley currently serves as the Branch Head, Range and Training Area Management with responsibilities for the planning, development, direction, and execution of an institutional level range management program. Responsibilities include the development and promulgation of service level policies and procedures for all aspects of range management including range safety, range design, range operations, the advocacy for training airspace, and the

development of comprehensive plans to modernize and sustain training ranges that meet the requirements of the FMF and Formal Schools.

Prior to his current position Mr. Fraley served as the Range System Support Manager (GS13) for Range and Training Area Management Division. He was responsible for managing all range sustainment efforts for USMC range training systems. Mr. Fraley was promoted to the Head, Range Requirements (GS14) in March 2016 where he was responsible for managing the development, procurement, and sustainment of range training systems for all Marine Corps ranges.

Jim Fraley was born in 1965 to parents Russell and Phyllis Fraley of Richmond Indiana. Jim entered the Marine Corps at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego on August 28th, 1983, as an infantryman, where he received his first assignment with 1st Battalion 1st Marines serving as a Rifleman, Fire Team Leader and Squad Leader. Corporal Fraley re-enlisted in 1986 and was assigned to Camp Lejeune where

he served as a Squad Leader with 1st BN 8th Mar. In 1990 Sergeant Fraley served a short stint in an experimental unit called the 8th Marines Regimental Scouts. He was later assigned to 2nd BN 8th Mar as a Squad Leader and Platoon Sergeant where he deployed to the Mediterranean and Iraq. In 1993 Sergeant Fraley was assigned to 1st BN 2nd Mar where he deployed to Cuba to guard Cuban and Haitian Migrants. During his 11 years at Camp Lejeune Sgt Fraley also served two tours with 2nd Marine Division Schools as a marksmanship instructor and a member of the 2nd Marine Division Shooting Team, where he earned his Distinguished Rifleman and Distinguished Pistol Shot badges. In 1995 Sergeant Fraley was ordered to Weapons Training Battalion, Quantico VA for duty with the Marine Corps Shooting Teams and an assignment with the Marksmanship Programs Management Section. In 1999, then SSgt Fraley, was assigned to 1/8 again as a Platoon Sergeant and Platoon Commander. SSgt Fraley's tour was cut short due to his selection for appointment as a Warrant Officer.

Warrant Officer Fraley completed Officer training at the Basic School in Quantico VA in May of 2000 and was assigned to MCRD Parris Island, SC for duty as a Range Officer. In 2002 CWO2 Fraley was assigned to Marine Corps Security Force Training Company as the Combat Weapons Officer. In 2006 CWO3 Fraley was assigned to Weapons Training Battalion Quantico VA for duty as the Officer In Charge of Range Company and the OIC of the Marine Corps Pistol Team. In 2009 CW04 Fraley was re-designated as an 0306 Infantry Weapons Officer and assigned to Range and Training Area

Management Division, TECOM. Chief Warrant Officer 4 Fraley retired from the Marine Corps in 2010 after 27 years of honorable service.

Mr. Fraley owes much of his success to his wife of 28 years and best friend, the former Sarah Bartok of Mansfield CT. They have four children:

Johnathan, Kathleen, Grace and Faith. They also have 9 grandchildren. Mr. Fraley has a bachelor's degree in marketing management from Park University. His hobbies include spending time with family, hiking, and golf.



## MS. RACHAEL GERMANSKY

Product Manager, Range Training Systems



Rachael Germansky was born in Denver, CO and graduated valedictorian from Lake Highland Preparatory School in Orlando, FL. She received a Ford Motor Company scholarship to Smith College and earned a Bachelor of Science in Engineering and Chemistry. Rachael earned her Master of Science in Engineering Management from the University of Central Florida.

After graduation, she worked at Frito Lay for 6 years. She started her career as a production line manager for Fritos and Cheetos and was quickly promoted to the position of weekend manager for production. In 2008, Rachael was promoted to lead the capital improvements and acquisitions for the Orlando manufacturing plant and warehouses in addition to the warehouse maintenance manager. In 2010, Rachael was reassigned to the Food Safety and Sanitation Manager and led the plant to their best food safety score in 54 years.

Rachael started her Federal Service career on 12 July 2012, and was assigned to Program Executive Office Simulation, Training and Instrumentation (PEO STRI) Acquisition Academy (A2) developmental program in Orlando, FL.

Rachael began her career as a Systems Engineer and was assigned to the Program Manager, Combined Arms Tactical Trainers (PM CATT). During this time she obtained her Defense Acquisition Workforce

Improvement Act (DAWIA) certification in Engineering.

In 2013, Rachael was rotated as part of the A2 program to Program Manager, Training Devices (PM TRADE). She supported the engineering efforts of the Product Manager, Live Training Systems (PdM LTS) as an engineer on multiple programs.

In 2015, Rachael completed her developmental program and was retained by PM TRADE. She supported multiple programs as the lead systems engineer.

In 2019, Rachael was selected to lead the efforts to incorporate live training into the Synthetic Training Environment (STE) and modernize the live training portfolio. She served as the both the Assistant Program Manager and Lead Engineer.

In 2020, Rachael was competitively selected and promoted to the Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWCTSD), Orlando, FL serving as an Interoperability Engineer for the F-35 program.

In 2020, Rachael was competitively selected and promoted to the Marine Corps System Command (MCSC), Program Manager for Training Systems (PM TRASYS), Orlando, FL as the Assistant Product Manager – Engineer (APdM-E) for Range Training Systems (RTS).

In February of 2025, Rachael was MCSC Board selected to serve as the PM TRASYS PdM for RTS. She is currently chartered to manage the RTS portfolio consisting of Force on Force and Ranges programs.



## MS. PATSY STEFAN

Assistant Program Manager, Contracts and Contracts Competency Lead



Patsy D. Stefan is the Assistant Program Manager for Contracts and Contracts Competency Lead for Program Manager, Training Systems (PM TRASYS) within Portfolio Acquisition Executive Marine Corps (PAE MC). She is responsible for promoting and maintaining an effective implementation of a Competency-Aligned organization designed within the PAE MC and serves as a recognized extension of the PAE MC Director of Contract.

Most recently, Ms. Stefan served as the Deputy Assistant Program Executive Officer for Contracts (DAPEO-CT) for PEO Land Systems. Prior to the DAPEO-CT, Ms. Stefan was the Assistant Program Manager for Contracts (APM-CT) for PEO LS, Program Manager (PM), Ground/Air Task-Oriented Radar (G/ATOR), an Acquisition Categories (ACAT) I program worth \$2.6B. Prior to PEO LS, Ms. Stefan supported numerous programs within MARCORSYSCOM. Within Portfolio Manager Supporting Establishment Systems, she was the APM-CT for PM, Customer Support and Strategic Sourcing (CS3) overseeing contracting actions for Marine

Corps enterprise-wide Information Technology hardware, software, and Next Generation Enterprise Network support services, a Major Automated Information Systems program, worth \$4.0B. She served as the Supervisory Contract Specialist for Command Support, Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Rapid Innovation Fund (RIF) Program successfully bringing the SBIR and RIF contracts into compliance with Office of Naval Research execution benchmarks for minimizing the time period between SBIR Phase I and Phase II contracts and RIF contract execution, as she and her team's efforts would be recognized by the Senior Executive Service for Deputy Commandant Systems Engineering and Acquisitions Logistics. Ms. Stefan also served as the Assistant Product Manager, Contracts (APdM-CT) on various Abbreviated Acquisition Programs for Product Managers Optics and Non-Lethal Systems. Prior to joining MARCORSYSCOM, Ms. Stefan served as a Senior Contract Specialist with Lockheed Martin Corporation, supporting PdM Optics. She served as a Supervisory Contract Specialist for the Regional Contracting Office – Northeast Capital Region.

Prior to Ms. Stefan's federal civilian career, she served in the United



States Marine Corps, serving as a Contract Specialist, Contingency Contracting Officer, Procuring Contracting Officer, and Supervisory Contract Specialist and achieving the rank of E-7/Gunnery Sergeant.

Ms. Stefan holds an MBA from Strayer University, in Human Resource Management and a Masters in Organizational Management from

University of Phoenix. Ms. Stefan is DAWIA Level III certified in Contracting, Level II certified in Program Management, a member of the Defense Acquisition Corps, and holds a Certified Federal Contract Management (CFCM) certification.



## MS. ELIZABETH TYGART

Product Manager, Synthetic Training Systems



Elizabeth Tygart is an accomplished acquisition and program management professional with a distinguished 18-year career serving within the Department of Defense. Her experience spans across the Army, Air Force, Joint Staff, and Marine Corps, bringing a diverse perspective.

Mrs. Tygart currently serves as the Product Manager (PdM) for Synthetic Training Systems at Marine Corps Systems Command, Program

Manager Training Systems in Orlando, FL. She was board selected in March of 2021 and is chartered to manage a diverse portfolio encompassing Live, Virtual, and Constructive - Training Environment, Combat Vehicle Training Systems, and Marksmanship programs. She is responsible for life-cycle management for cost, schedule, and performance to deliver critical training capabilities.

Mrs. Tygart began her federal career in 2007 as a Logistics Management Specialist with the Army Logistics Intern Program at Fort Lee, VA. At the completion of her intern program, she was assigned to the Army Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command at Scott AFB, IL where she served as a logistics management specialist and G4 staff.

In 2010, she was selected as the S4 Deputy Logistics Chief for the US Army 1st Recruiting Brigade, Fort Meade, MD. In 2011, she was promoted to the Air Force Global Logistics Support Center, Scott AFB, IL serving as the logistics management specialist for Plans, Programs, and Logistics Directorate, Transformation Division.

In 2012, Mrs. Tygart voluntarily deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan for 13 months as the J3 Management Analyst and Project Director for the

Theater Business Clearance Program for CENTCOM Joint Theater Support Contracting Command. During this assignment she supported draw down planning and managed multimillion-dollar contracts to deliver critical support to warfighters in austere environments.

From 2013-2017, she served with distinction at the Intercontinental Ballistic Missile Systems Directorate, Hill AFB, UT first as the Ordnance Program Manager and later promoted to Lead Acquisition Program Manager for the Minuteman III Weapon System for Propulsion Systems.

In 2017, Mrs. Tygart joined Marine Corps Systems Command where she served as the Program Analyst for the Marine Air-Ground Task Force Tactical Warfare Simulation program before being competitively selected as the Deputy PdM for Individual Training Systems. She was later selected as the Supervisory Project Team Lead for PdM Training Systems Sustainment and Support Services assisting with standing up the new PdM for sustainment and led a \$500M sustainment portfolio, awarding two SCAT III contracts for Equipment Related Services and Electronic and Communication Services.

Mrs. Tygart holds a Master's degree in Procurement and Acquisitions Management from Webster University and a Bachelor of Arts in Business Management and German from Virginia Wesleyan University. Throughout her career, Mrs. Tygart has consistently championed efficiency and effectiveness, implementing process improvements that yielded significant cost savings and streamlined operations. Her dedication to excellence is reflected in her distinguished record of achievement, including prestigious honors from the Department of Defense, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, and the Department of the Air Force.



## MR. ROBERT BELL

Program Manager, Medical Simulation and Training Program Management Office (MST PMO)



Robert Bell is the Program Manager for the Medical Simulation and Training Program Management Office, as part of the Portfolio Acquisition Executive-Medical Products under Defense Health Agency. He leads cross-functional teams in providing simulation training, products, and services across the DHA, Military Health System, and Military Departments. His oversight of the acquisition lifecycle management process enhances efficiency, supports operational

readiness, and improves provider and patient safety. Mr. Bell's distinguished career spans over 28 years, marked by senior management roles in both the government and industry. Prior to his current

role, he served as the Deputy Program Manager for the Clinical Support PMO, where he managed programs valued at more than \$74 million. His leadership was instrumental in fielding landmark systems such as the Individual Longitudinal Exposure Record (ILER), the Defense Occupational and Environmental Health Readiness System-Industrial Hygiene (DOEHRS-IH), and the modernization of the Electronic Surveillance System for Community Based Epidemics (ESSENCE)—systems critical to tracking environmental and occupational health and safety of personnel throughout the Department of War, state, and local agencies. In the corporate sector, he served as Vice President of Operations for a Fortune 500 company. Mr. Bell started his career as a Field Artillery Officer in the U.S. Army, where he held various positions at the company and battalion level.

Mr. Bell earned a Master of Science in Information Management from Marymount University and a Graduate Certificate in Project and Program Management from Duke University. He holds an Advanced Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA) Certification in Program

Management and numerous other credentials, including Project Manager Professional, Information (PMP), Technology Infrastructure Library (ITIL), Certified Agile Product Owner, and Certified Scrum Master.



## CAPT ROBERT BETTS, USN

Commander, Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWCTSD) and Naval Support Activity (NSA) Orlando



Captain Rob Betts, a 1999 graduate of the Georgia Institute of Technology with a Bachelor of Science in Applied Biology, received his commission through the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps and was designated a Naval Aviator in 2002. Betts holds a master's degree in Modeling, Virtual Environments, and Simulations (MOVES) from the Naval Postgraduate School; and advanced certifications in Program Management and Engineering from Defense

Acquisition University.

Betts served an operational tour with the World Famous Black Aces of Strike Fighter Squadron 41, deploying aboard USS Nimitz (CVN 68) with

Carrier Airwing 11 in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

Betts's major acquisition tours include deputy for the F-35 Lightning II Human Factors Integration Team and Joint Cockpit Working Group; integrated product team lead for the AIM-9X Block II and Block II+; assistant program manager for systems engineering for the F-35C; executive assistant to the F-35 Lightning II Program Executive Officer; program manager for F-35 Training Systems and Simulations; Ready Relevant Learning Training System Program Manager; and Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division Executive Officer.

Captain Betts's personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Strike Flight Air Medal, and numerous unit awards and citations.



## MR. MICHAEL MERRITT

Acquisition Director, Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWCTSD)



Michael Merritt serves as the Acquisition Director at the Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division. He is responsible for workload planning, mission execution and collaboration with Government and Industry partners to effectively execute NAWCTSD mission tasking.

Michael Merritt was commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force in 1982. His first assignment was to the Air Force Institute of Technology MSEE Program. In 1984, he was assigned as an ICBM Test Manager at the Ballistic Missile Office. In 1989, Captain Merritt was assigned to the Secretary of the Air Force Office of Research, a DoD Joint Activity directly reporting to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, Space. In 1994, Major Merritt was assigned to the Air Force Special Operations Command in the Plans, Programs and Acquisition Management Directorate as Chief, Classified Technology Programs. In 1998, he was assigned to the Aeronautical Systems Center, Wright-Patterson AFB. He served as a Systems Acquisition Manager within the C-17 Systems Program Office and as a Systems Management Directorate staff officer in the Systems Management Directorate. In 2000, Major Merritt joined the NAVAIR team as the CV-22 Deputy Program Manager. In July 2001, he was assigned

as the Development Integrated Product Team (IPT) Lead for the USMC Variant of the V-22. As the MV-22 Development IPT Lead, Major Merritt was responsible for the acquisition management of the "Way Forward" development program to return the Marine Corps and Air Force tiltrotors to safe and operational use.

Retiring from active duty in 2002, Mr. Merritt continued to serve as the MV-22 Development IPT Lead as a Department of the Navy civilian. In 2006, Mr. Merritt was promoted to Program Director for Aviation (PDA) at NAWCTSD. PDA also serves as the Naval Air Systems Command, Deputy Program Manager for Aviation Training Systems (PMA-205TD). Mr. Merritt became the Program Director for Cross-Warfare in 2014 until his selection in January 2017 to join the NAWCTSD Leadership Team as the Deputy Technical Director and Program Management Site Lead.

A native of Central Florida, Mr. Merritt earned a Bachelor's degree in Engineering from the University of Central Florida in 1982. He received his Master's Degree in Electrical Engineering from the Air Force Institute of Technology in 1984. He is a graduate of the Defense Systems Management College Advanced Program Management Course and completed the Leadership in a Democratic Society program at the Federal Executive Institute.



## MR. CRAIG DORRANS

Program Director, Aviation, Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWCTSD)



A native of Long Beach, California, Craig graduated from Duke University in 1990 with Bachelor of Science degrees in Biomedical Engineering and Electrical Engineering. Subsequently, he received a Master of Science degree in Business from National University in 2001. After 29 years of active duty in the United States Navy where he flew the P-3C Orion operationally, he entered government civilian service integrating into the acquisition workforce as an IPT

Lead at the Naval Air Systems Command in Patuxent River, MD.

Craig was assigned his current role as the Director of Aviation Programs in May 2026. Previously at NAWC TSD he was assigned as the Training System Program Manager in August 2023 for the Career Training Continuum (CTC) Program. Other civilian roles include Principal Deputy Program Manager (PDPM) and Phoenix II Integrated Product Team (IPT) Lead for the Airborne Strategic Command, Control, and Communications Program Office (PMA-271) from November 2020 to August 2023. In his PDPM role, he served as the senior civilian Program Manager responsible for leading development, procurement, and fielding of a replacement aircraft for the aging E-6B Mercury while simultaneously managing all E-6B sustainment and modernization activities. While assigned as the first Phoenix II IPT Lead, he directed a 30-member cross-functional team and managed an approximately a \$2.5 billion budget in developing

requirements in a model based systems engineering environment which will be utilized to design the future TACAMO replacement aircraft.

Other key assignments with Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) include: P-8A Training Systems Assistant Program Manager for the Naval Aviation Training Systems and Training Ranges Program Office (PMA-205). IPT Lead for the MQ-4C Triton Unmanned Aircraft System Program as part of the Persistent Maritime Unmanned Aircraft Systems Program Office (PMA-262). Program Manager for PMA-205 from June 2013 to June 2016 where he was responsible for development, procurement, and fielding of all Navy and Marine Corps training systems for fixed-wing, rotary-wing, and unmanned aircraft operators and maintainers. Director of Enterprise Planning for the F-35 Joint Program Office (JPO) where he oversaw all future technologies to be integrated onto the F-35 to ensure platform dominance for the next decade and beyond. After active duty retirement in August 2019, Dorrans was recruited to return to PMA-205 as an ACAT II Civilian IPT Lead for the Tactical Combat Training System Increment II where he led the team from post-Critical Design Review through flight test.

Craig's personal awards include Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award, Defense Superior Service Medal, two Legion of Merit Medals, three Meritorious Service Medals, Joint Service Commendation Medal, four Navy Commendation Medals, four Navy Achievement Medals, a Humanitarian Service Medal and various unit and sea service awards. He resides in Orlando, FL, with his wife, Elaine.



## MR. WILLIAM ZELLER

Program Director, Surface and Undersea Programs, Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWCTSD)



William Zeller is the Program Director for Surface and Undersea Programs at the Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWCTSD). In this role he is responsible for leading a portfolio of projects valued at approximately \$225M per year supported by a team of 25 project managers. Mr. Zeller manages training systems for Surface and Undersea customers supporting a wide range of efforts to include services, products, and content.

Mr. Zeller has worked for the Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division for 18 years as a Computer Scientist, Program Manager, Deputy for Undersea Programs and Director for Research and Technology. Before joining NAWCTSD in 2007, he worked in the private industry as a software engineer. He holds a B.S. in Computer Science (University of Central Florida), B.S. in Psychology (University of Central Florida) and Masters in Business Administration (University of Phoenix). He is Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA) Level 3 certified in Program Management and Systems Engineering.



## MR. GRAHAM FLEENER

Director, Cross-Warfare Programs, Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWCTSD)



Graham Fleener is the Program Director for Cross Warfare Programs at the Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWCTSD). In this role he is responsible for leading a portfolio of projects valued at approximately \$400M per year supported by a team of three Deputy Directors and 30 Project Managers. Mr. Fleener manages training systems for customers supporting a wide range of efforts to include services, products, and content.

Mr. Fleener has background spanning military, private industry, and government civilian service. He served in the United States Marine Corps, and then worked in private industry as a contractor for both the Navy and Army supporting cybersecurity for training and simulation programs. He then transitioned to program management leading programs within the U.S. Army Program Executive Office for Simulation, Training, and Instrumentation (PEO STRI). While serving in program management roles, he led Acquisition Category (ACAT) II programs of record within PEO STRI

to include the Vehicle Tactical Engagement Simulation System (VTESS) and the Persistent Cyber Training Environment (PCTE). He served as the Deputy Product Manager (DPdM) for the PdM Virtual Training Systems (VTS) leading efforts within the Synthetic Training Environment (STE) to include the Reconfigurable Virtual Collective Trainer (RVCT) and the Soldier Virtual Trainer (SVT). After 14 years serving in program management and leadership roles within PEO STRI, Fleener was selected in 2023 to serve as the Program Director for Surface and Undersea. He served two years leading the Surface and Undersea Directorate prior to assuming his current position as Program Director for Cross Warfare Programs.

Mr. Fleener holds a Bachelor of Science in Information Systems Technology and a Master of Science in Modeling and Simulation from the University of Central Florida. He is Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA) Level 3 certified in Program Management and Information Technology. He has obtained the Project Management Professional (PMP®) certification and is a graduate of Leadership Orlando Class 106.



## MS. DEBORAH BARNES

Program Director, International Programs, Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWCTSD)



Deborah Barnes is the Program Director for International Programs (PDI) at the Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWCTSD). The International Programs Directorate provides Foreign Military Sales acquisition and product support of training systems, delivering effective, enduring, and timely partner capabilities that advance U.S. national security and foreign policy interests. She oversees a portfolio of projects valued over \$500M/year and a team of 24 Project Managers.

Ms. Barnes has 18 years of experience in training systems acquisition at NAWCTSD, with all years spent in Program Management. Her career at NAWCTSD started in 2007 in the Aviation Directorate (PDA) as an Assistant Training Systems Program Manager, fleet up to Training Systems Program Manager for Contractor Operations and Maintenance & Contractor Instructional Services. She became the Integrated Product Team Lead (IPTL) for all Fielded Training Systems Support (FTSS) in

2010, supporting fleet units and Type Commanders/Wings to enable critical warfighter training.

In 2017, Ms. Barnes was selected as the Deputy Director for the Cross-Warfare Training Services branch, supporting services sustainment efforts for USN and USMC training systems for the fleet. She became the Director for Cross-Warfare in December 2023, managing training systems and content for a wide range of cross-platform, joint service, emerging technologies, non-DoD and individual training customers and requirements, as well as training services for fielded training systems support. Prior to her civilian career, Ms. Barnes served on active duty for over 20 years as a Naval Aviator, deploying on air capable and amphibious ships and serving as a helicopter flight instructor.

Ms. Barnes assumed her current position as International Program Director in January 2025. She earned a Bachelor's Degree in Aviation Management in 1987 from Auburn University and a Master's Degree in Aeronautical Science in 1995 from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. She is DAWIA Level III certified in Program Management, and a member of the Acquisition Professional Community.



# CDR DENVER WHITE, USN

Director, Research and Technology Programs, Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWCTSD)



A native of Springfield, Missouri, CDR Denver White was commissioned from the University of Missouri – Columbia, Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps having earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in History. He would later go on to obtain a Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Computer engineering and a Master's in Computer Information Systems.

CDR White reported to NAS Pensacola, Florida for training as a student Naval Flight Officer (NFO) in August 2009. During his tenure in Pensacola, he participated in training at Naval Aviation Schools Command and was attached to the VT-10 Wildcats for primary.

CDR White then reported to Patrol Squadron THREE ZERO in Jacksonville, Florida for NFO Training in the P-3C Orion and was designated a Naval Flight Officer in April 2011.

Following his NFO designation, CDR White reported to Patrol Squadron 26 in Jacksonville, Florida. While at VP-26, CDR White completed a 5th and 7th fleet deployment and was designated a Mission Commander and Instructor Tactical Coordinator.

In February 2014, CDR White departed VP-26 for training at the Maritime

Weapons School to qualify as a Weapons and Tactics Instructor (WTI). After graduating from the WTI course, CDR White was assigned to Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing 11 for instructor duty.

In 2015 CDR White was board selected for the United States Navy Test Pilot School (USNTPS). While at USNTPS, CDR White flew in multiple T/M/S and graduated in December 2016. Additionally, CDR White was selected for re-designation to the Aerospace Engineering Duty Officer Community shortly before USNTPS graduation.

Upon graduation from USNTPS, CDR White was assigned to Air Test and Evaluation Squadron TWO ZERO in January 2017 as a Project Officer and eventually Mission Systems Lead on the P-8A Poseidon.

CDR White reported to the Maritime Patrol and Reconnaissance Aircraft Program (PMA-290) in January 2020. While there, he was the Integrated Product Team (IPT) Lead for the P-8A Increment 3 Ground Station, Software Support Activity and Increment 3 Block 2 Training System.

CDR White reported to Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division (NAWC TSD) as the Ready Relevant Learning military IPT lead in November 2022. He is currently the Director of Research and Technology. His awards include the Navy Achievement Medal, three Navy Commendation Medals and a Navy meritorious service medal.

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# WHO WE ARE

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## **NATIONAL TRAINING & SIMULATION ASSOCIATION (NTSA)**

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The National Training & Simulation Association (NTSA) is America's premier organization representing the interests of the modeling and simulation community worldwide. As such, it serves as a constant point of contact for government, academia, industry, research organizations and the military to exchange information, share knowledge, align business interests and in general stimulate growth and overall advancement of the industry. NTSA pursues these goals through a series of conference, meetings and exhibitions throughout the year. NTSA produces The Interservice/Industry Training, Simulation and Education Conference (I/ITSEC), which is the world's largest conference and exhibition dedicated to modeling and simulation. While NTSA primarily serves the North American community of practice, many of its members and participants are non-US. NTSA is a key member of the International Training and Simulation Alliance (ITSA), a worldwide group of simulation associations that promotes knowledge and information about training and simulation worldwide.



## **NDIA CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER**

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The NDIA Central Florida Chapter vision is to improve our National Defense by earning the trust of the government while representing industry's interest in the Central Florida region. Our mission is to collaborate with government and industry to facilitate important discussions of local issues and matters critical at the national level...and to enhance the future of the industry.

The NDIA Central Florida Chapter works alongside government to improve understanding of Industry through support activities. We also bring industry's concerns and interests to the government by providing insight to industry methods and challenges when working with the local government processes and intent. Lastly, we provide financial support and incentives to individuals and organizations that align with our mission in three key ways: STEM, scholarships, and grants. The funds we raise through luncheons, golf tournaments and other major events are used to fund these endeavors.

# NTSA 2027 UPCOMING EVENTS



The National Training and Simulation Association brings government, academia, and industry together to develop new training and simulation solutions. By organizing a variety of industry forums and association-sponsored events, NTSA provides the Modeling & Simulation community with a means of communicating the full capabilities and characteristics of training systems and mission planning while promoting their business interests in the marketplace.

## Congressional M&S Leadership Summit | February 2027 | TBD

This summit brings the modeling and simulation community together to discuss important M&S issues that are then relayed to the Congressional M&S Caucus to take action.



## DAF Modeling, Simulation & Analytics Summit | April 2027 | Orlando, FL

The goal of the DAFMSA Summit is to gather Air Force and Space Force MS&A experts to learn about new MS&A initiatives and techniques, network across military services and with industry experts, and to hear our technological leaders' perspectives on how MS&A can transition more training from the real world to digital.

## ITEC | 11 – 13 May 2027 | London, UK

Held in different European locations, this conference presents a unique overview of the industry's latest innovations as well as the opportunity to discuss developments and exchange ideas about future requirement for military training, education, and simulation.



## Simulation & Training Community Forum | May 2027 | Dayton, OH

STCF provides industry an opportunity to network and interact with Air Force procurement officials for training and simulation products and services. The Forum includes updates from the Simulators Program Office and the Simulator Branch.

## NTSA Simulation Gala | May 2027 | Kansas

The NTSA Simulation Gala brings together the training and simulation community for a celebratory evening at Fort Leavenworth—the historic home of leadership, doctrine, and strategic thought. This event celebrates the people, teams, and partnerships advancing readiness through modeling, simulation, and training.

## Training & Simulation Industry Symposium | June 2027 | Orlando, FL

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## Capitol Hill M&S Expo | July 2027 | Washington, D.C.

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This multi-disciplinary conference enables the exchange of modeling and simulation knowledge, research, and technology.

## Interservice/Industry Training, Simulation and Education Conference |

29 November – 2 December 2027 | Orlando, FL

I/ITSEC is the world's largest modeling, simulation, and training show and consists of peer-reviewed paper presentations, tutorials, special events, professional workshops, STEM events, cyber pavilion, a serious games competition, and a commercial exhibit hall with over 550 exhibitors.



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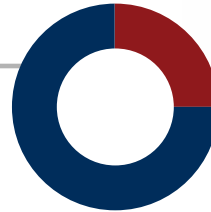


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