

BIOGRAPHY UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE



COLONEL JOHN E. DUKES, JR.

Colonel John E. Dukes Jr. is currently assigned to the Pentagon under the Secretary of the Air Force Space Acquisitions and Integration Directorate (SAF/SQ) as the Deputy Director of the National Space-Based Positioning, Navigation, and Timing Coordination Office. Colonel Dukes leads a multidisciplinary office tasked to oversee U.S. Space-Based PNT Policy. The National Coordination Office shall collect from Executive Committee member Departments and Agencies the appropriate information necessary to ensure interagency transparency about PNT policies, programs, budgets, and activities that might affect mutual interests or interagency dependencies. The National Coordination Office will use this information for operations of the Executive Committee to include interagency coordination, consensus development, and issue resolution for all matters presented to the Executive Committee. Additionally, Col Dukes is tasked with conducting

or overseeing space-based PNT studies, analyses, and projects with a National benefit beyond the scope of a single Department or Agency, to



include an assessment of ongoing Department and Agency efforts that may benefit from broader U.S. Government participation.

Colonel Dukes received his commission as a distinguished graduate of the ROTC program at the University of Alabama in 1997. He has held command positions as a maintenance flight commander, logistics flight commander, and as a maintenance squadron commander. Additionally, he has held a variety of acquisition, aircraft maintenance, and multiple program office positions, including deployments to Iraq, Afghanistan, and U.S. Central Command where he served as the information operations branch chief. Colonel Dukes transferred from the United States Air Force to the United States Space Force on 25 June 2021. Prior to his current role as NCO Deputy Director, he served as Director of Staff at Space Systems Command and Senior Materiel Leader and Chief for the Production Corps' Geosynchronous (GEO)/Polar Division.

EDUCATION

1998 Bachelor of Science, Finance, University of Alabama, Ala.
2000 Master of Business Administration, Finance, Boston College, Mass.
2001 Squadron Officers School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
2002 Master of Business Administration, Economics, Western New England University, Mass.
2007 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
2013 Joint Command and Staff College, Norfolk, Va.
2014 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. January 1998–December 1999: PRISM/CARDS Project Officer, Electronics Systems Center, Hanscom Air Force Base, Mass.

2. December 1999–February 2001: JEFX 00 Advanced Technology Project Manager, Electronics Systems Center, Hanscom AFB, Mass.

3. February 2001–January 2002: Supply Modernization Acquisition Officer, Headquarters Standard Systems Group, Maxwell AFB, Gunter Annex, Ala.

4. January 2002–November 2002: Executive Officer to the System Program Manager, Headquarters Standard Systems Group, Maxwell AFB, Gunter Annex, Ala.

5. November 2002–February 2003: Chief Legacy Main Systems Migration, Headquarters Standard Systems Group, Maxwell AFB, Gunter Annex, Ala.

6. February 2003–June 2004: Deputy Program Manager, Automated Civil Engineering System, Headquarters Standard Systems Group, Maxwell AFB, Gunter Annex, Ala.

7. June 2004–March 2005: Maintenance Flight Commander, 57th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.

April 2005–July 2005: Maintenance Operations Officer, 57th Equipment maintenance Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.
 July 2005–February 2007: Maintenance Operations Officer, 57th Component Maintenance Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.

10. February 2007–April 2008: Maintenance Operations Officer, 57th Maintenance Operations Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev.

11. April 2008–April 2009: Logistics Flight Commander, 686th Armament Systems Squadron, Eglin AFB, Fla.

12. April 2009–July 2010: Assistant Director of Operations, 686th Armament Systems Squadron, Eglin AFB, Fla. 13. July 2010–February 2011: Chief, Program Operations and Sustainment, 686th Armament Systems Squadron,

Eglin AFB, Fla.

14. February 2011–March 2012: Deputy Chief, Systems Interface & Integration, Air Armament Center Armament Directorate, Eglin AFB, Fla.

 April 2012–April 2013: Deputy Program Manager, Global Command and Control System - Joint, Program Executive Office Command & Control Capabilities, Defense Information Systems Agency, Ft. George G. Meade, Md.
 April 22, 2013–February 2014: Program Manager, Global Command and Control System - Joint, Program Executive Office Command & Control Capabilities, Defense Information Systems Agency, Ft. George G. Meade, Md.
 February 2014–March 2015: Chief, Service Division, Joint Spectrum Center, Defense Spectrum Organization, Defense Information Systems Agency, Annapolis, Md.

18. March 2015–September 2015: Chief, Service Branch, Joint Spectrum Center, Defense Spectrum Organization, Defense Information Systems Agency, Annapolis, Md.

 October 2015–August 2016: Program Manager, Global Electromagnetic Spectrum Information System, Joint Spectrum Center, Defense Spectrum Organization, Defense Information Systems Agency, Annapolis, Md.
 August 2016–May 2017: Program Manager, Global Electromagnetic Spectrum Information System, Joint

Spectrum Center, Defense Spectrum Organization, Defense Information Systems Agency, Annapolis, Md. 21. May 2017–May 2018: Deputy Chief, Acquisition & Contract Support Division, Directorate of Program

Management and Integration, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB Calif.

June 2018–June 2018: Chief, SMC Transformation, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB Calif.
 June 2018–August 2018: Chief, Space Acquisition & Integration, Director of Staff, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB Calif.

24. September 2018–June 2019: Chief, Space Acquisition & Integration, Director of Staff, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB Calif.

25. July 2019–July 2019: Senior Military Leader, Advancement/Development Division, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB Calif.

26. August 2019–January 2021: Senior Military Leader, GEO/Polar Division, Air Force Program Executive Officer - Space Production Corps, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB Calif.

27. January 2021–August 2021: Deputy Program Executive Officer for Space and lead Staff Director, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB Calif.

28. August 2021–July 2023: Director of Staff, Space Systems Command, Los Angeles AFB Calif.

29. August 2023–Present: Deputy Director of the National Space-Based Positioning, Navigation, and Timing Coordination Office, Pentagon, Arlington, Va.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster

Army Achievement Medal with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters Air Force Organizational Excellence Award

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant January 15, 1997 First Lieutenant January 15, 1999 Captain January 15, 2001 Major September 01, 2006 Lieutenant Colonel January 01, 2012 Colonel June 19, 2018

(Current as of Feb 2024)