



David A. Slade is the Director of Acquisition Career Management, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition (SAF/AQH). Mr. Slade is responsible for the integrated management of the acquisition workforce across all functional areas. He provides acquisition human resources policy and strategic planning while managing the training and development of civilian and military acquisition personnel Air Force-wide. Additionally, Mr. Slade ensures Air Force compliance and implementation of the Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA) through management of the Acquisition Professional Development Program (APDP) and the Defense Acquisition Workforce Development Fund (DAWDF). Mr. Slade is

also designated as the Career Field Manager for both military and civilian Scientists, Engineers, and Acquisition Program Managers. His team also provides personnel management services for the SAF/AQ Headquarters Staff.

Mr. Slade received an aerospace engineering degree from the University of Colorado and was commissioned through the Reserve Officer Training Corps in 1983. Following pilot training, he served as a forward air controller, flying the O2-A and an F-15C and AT-38 instructor pilot. He served as a Commander at the Squadron and Group levels. As a command pilot with over 3,600 flying hours, he flew 32 missions over Iraq during Operation DESERT STORM and has participated in Operations NOBLE EAGLE, NORTHERN WATCH and SOUTHERN WATCH.

Prior to his current assignment, Mr. Slade served as Director of Assignments, Headquarters Air Force Personnel Center, Randolph Air Force Base, TX. He was responsible for the assignment of more than 65,000 officers below the grade of Colonel and 285,000 enlisted personnel below the grade of Chief Master Sergeant.

Mr. Slade retired from active duty, in the rank of Colonel, after 29 years in November 2012 and entered Civil Service in January 2013.

EDUCATION:

1983 Bachelor of Science Degree in Aerospace Engineering, University of Colorado
1987 Squadron Officers School
1995 Masters of Business Administration, Incarnate Word University
1997 Air Command and Staff College
2003 Air War College

CAREER CHRONOLOGY:

1. January 1984 - December 1984, Undergraduate Pilot Training student, Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas
2. January 1985 - August 1988, O2-A & OT-37 forward Air controller, 21st Tactical Air Support Squadron, Shaw AFB, S.C.
3. February 1989 - May 1993, F-15C instructor pilot, flight commander, 27th Fighter Squadron, Langley AFB, Va.
4. October 1993 - January 1996, AT-38 instructor pilot, flight commander, assistant operations

- officer, 560th Flying Training Squadron, Randolph AFB, TX
5. January 1996 - January 1997, action officer, Commander's Action Group, 12th Flying Training Wing, Randolph AFB, TX
 6. January 1997 - January 1998, Chief, Air Superiority Assessments, CHECKMATE, XOOO, Headquarters Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
 7. January 1998 - November 1999, F-15 & F-22 Force Programmer, XPPA, Headquarters Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
 8. April 2000 - October 2000, F-15C Assistant Operations Officer, 390th Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
 9. October 2000 - June 2001, Chief, Quality Assurance, 366th Logistics Group, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
 10. June 2001 - January 2002, Chief of Safety, 366th Air Expeditionary Wing, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
 11. January 2002 - February 2003, Operations Officer, 390th Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
 12. March 2003 - March 2005, Commander, 390th Fighter Squadron, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho
 13. March 2005 - June 2005, Deputy Commander, 366 Mission Support Group, Mountain Home AFB, ID.
 14. July 2005 - July 2006, Commander, Joint and Combined Air Dominance Center of Excellence, RAF Lakenheath U.K.
 15. July 2006 - June 2007, Deputy Director of Assignments, Air Force Personnel Center, Randolph AFB, TX
 16. June 2007 - June 2009, Commander, 31st Mission Support Group, Aviano AB, Italy
 17. July 2009 - April 2010, Chief, Operational Assignments, Air Force Personnel Center, Randolph AFB, TX
 18. April 2010 - November 2012, Director of Assignments, Air Force Personnel Center, Randolph AFB, TX
 19. January 2013 - December 2013, Deputy Director, Acquisition Career Management (SAF/AQH), Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition), Pentagon, Washington, DC.
 20. January 2014 - Director, Acquisition Career Management (SAF/AQH), Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition), Pentagon, Washington, DC.

MAJOR DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit with one oak leaf cluster
Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Aerial Achievement Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Joint Service Commendation Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal

(Current as of February 2014)