



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL DEREK S. BLOUGH

Col Derek S. Blough is the Director of Contracting, Air Force Installation Contracting Agency, Operating Location Air Combat Command (OL-ACC), Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Virginia. He is responsible for the Air Force's largest and most complex OL portfolio. Col Blough provides contract clearance, guidance, and policy oversight to Air Combat Command's contracting activities which award and administer over \$2.8 billion in contracts annually in support of global operations. Additionally, he provides force development for 781 military and civilian contracting professionals in staff, center, and wing units, while leading transformational efforts.

Prior to this assignment, Col Blough served as the Global Power Team Lead in the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Contracting, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, the Pentagon, Washington, District of Columbia. Col Blough provided oversight on major weapon system acquisitions across the Air Force space, nuclear and fighter/bomber portfolios.



Col Blough commissioned into the Air Force in 1996 as a graduate of the United States Air Force Academy with a Bachelor of Science in Management. During his Air Force career, Col Blough has served as a Deputy for the Air Force House Liaison Office, 6th Contracting Squadron Commander, AFPC Contracting Assignments Officer, 700th Contracting Squadron Flight Commander, Air Force Intern, AMC Protocol Officer and Contract Specialist. He has deployed to Pakistan, Iraq, and Afghanistan as a contingency contracting officer in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM and Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Col Blough is married to Brittany Blough, formally of Lakewood, CO. He and his wife have one daughter, Hannah.

EDUCATION

1996 Bachelor of Science in Management, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado
1999 Master of Business Administration, Pepperdine University, Malibu, California
2002 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama
2003 Air Force Intern Program, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
2007 Air Command and Staff College, Non-Residence
2007 Strategic Policy Intern, IDE Residence Credit
2012 Senior Developmental Education, Non-Residence
2016 Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy, Washington, D.C.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1996 – May 1998, Titan IV Contract Specialist, Space and Missile System Center, Los Angeles Air Force Base, California
2. May 1998 – May 2000, Contract Specialist, Operational Contracting Flight, Los Angeles AFB, California
3. May 2000 – May 2002, Command Protocol Officer, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois
4. May 2002 – June 2003, Air Force Intern, Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Military Personnel Policy and Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Budget, The Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
5. June 2003 – July 2005, Flight Commander Civil Engineer Support Flight, 700th Contracting Squadron, Kaiserslautern, Germany
6. July 2005 – May 2006, Flight Commander, Base Support Flight, 700th Contracting Squadron, Kaiserslautern, Germany
7. May 2006 – June 2008, Contracting Assignments Officer, Headquarters Air Force Personnel Center, Randolph AFB, Texas
8. June 2008 – July 2009, Deputy Chief, Mission Support Air Expeditionary Force Scheduling, Headquarters Air Force Personnel Center, Randolph AFB, Texas
9. July 2009 – July 2012, Commander, 6th Contracting Squadron, MacDill AFB, Florida
10. July 2012 – January 2014, Deputy, Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Secretary of the Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
11. January 2014 – August 2015, Deputy, Air Force House Liaison Office, Office of Legislative Liaison, Secretary of the Air Force, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
12. August 2015 – June 2016, Student, Dwight D. Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy, Ft McNair, Washington, D.C.
13. June 2016 – July 2017, Team Lead, Global Power, Deputy Assistant Secretary (Contracting), Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Acquisition), Washington, D.C.
14. July 2017 – Present, Director of Contracting, Air Force Installation Contracting Agency, Operating Location Air Combat Command (OL-ACC), Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Virginia

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Achievement Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant	29 May 1996
First Lieutenant	29 May 1998
Captain	29 May 2000
Major	01 May 2006
Lieutenant Colonel	01 July 2011
Colonel	01 October 2017

(Current as of November 2017)