



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL LOLA D. WASHINGTON

Colonel Lola D. Washington currently serves as the Chief of the Joint Staff for the New Jersey Air and Army National Guard, National Guard Joint Operations Center, Lawrenceville, New Jersey. Col Washington serves as a primary staff advisor and assists the Director of the Joint Staff New Jersey National Guard (NJNG) and the Adjutant General–NJ (TAG-NJ) regarding all phases of work of the Joint Staff and joint military program operations throughout the state. She oversees and manages a variety of programs that include the development, execution and evaluation of programs and policies pertaining to the command, control, operations and management of the Joint Functions. Oversees the state's Homeland Defense Program including: New Jersey Counterdrug Program and Civil Support Team. Advises TAG-NJ on and coordinates unified actions and outcomes in response to interagency or intergovernmental requests for operations involving natural or man-made disasters, terrorism, weapons of mass destruction (WMD), critical asset protection, border security, civil disturbances, interstate compacts and federal mobilizations and deployments. After serving ten years as an enlisted Hospital Corpsman in the United States Naval Reserves, she enlisted in the Cheyenne Wyoming Air National Guard as a Medical Technician and later cross-trained into the personnel career field. Col Washington was commissioned through the Academy of Military Science in March of 2000.



EDUCATION

1996 Bachelors of Science, Business Administration, Columbia College, Columbia, MO
1997 Associate of Arts, Community College of the Air Force, Cheyenne, WY
2000 Academy of Military Science, McGhee Tyson Air National Guard Base, TN
2001 Officer Personnel School, Keesler Air Force Base, MS
2001 Leadership Cheyenne, Greater Chamber of Commerce, Cheyenne, WY
2002 MBA, Business Administration and Management, Regis University, Denver, CO
2005 EEO/EO Advisor Certification, Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute, Patrick, AFB, FL
2007 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
2013 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
2016 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence

ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1988 - September 1996, Hospital Corpsman, Naval Reserve Fleet Hospital Unit, Denver, CO
2. September 1996 - February 2000, Medical Technician, 153rd Medical Group, Wyoming Air National Guard (WYANG), Cheyenne, WY
3. March 2000 – January 2005, Personnel Officer, JFHQ-Air, WYANG, Cheyenne, WY
4. February 2005- December 2005, 108th Wing Personnel Staff Officer, McGuire Air Force Base, NJ
5. January 2006 – December 2009, Mission Support Group Command and Control Officer, NJNG JFHQ-Air, Ft. Dix, NJ
6. December 2009 – November 2011, Unit Training Officer, NJNG JFHQ-Air, Fort Dix, NJ
7. December 2007 – January 2009, Personnel Staff Officer, NJNG JFHQ-Air, Joint Base-McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ
8. January 2009 – November 2011, Force Support Staff Officer, NJNG JFHQ-Air, JBMDL, NJ
9. November 2011 – November 2013, Military Personnel Management Officer, NJNG JFHQ-Air, JBMDL, NJ

10. November 2013 – December 2019, Director of Mission Support, NJNG JFHQ-Air, JBMDL, NJ
11. January 2020 – April 2021, Assistant to AAG-Air, JBMDL, NJ
12. May 2021 – present, Chief of Joint Staff, NJNG, Lawrenceville, NJ

CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1. April 1998 - January 2005, Supervisory Employee Relations Specialist, JFHQ-Air, Wyoming Air National Guard, Cheyenne, WY
2. February 2005 – December 2005, Management Analyst, New Jersey National Guard (NJNG) J1-HRO, Fort Dix, NJ
3. December 2005 – May 2006, Equal Employment Specialist, NJNG J1-HRO, Fort Dix, NJ
4. May 2006 – April 2008, State Equal Employment Manager, NJNG J1-HRO, Fort Dix, NJ
5. April 2008 – November 2011, Supervisory Human Resource Specialist (Staffing), NJNG J1-HRO, Fort Dix, NJ
6. November 2011 – November 2013, Military Personnel Management Officer, NJNG JFHQ-Air, JBMDL, NJ
7. November 2013 – November 2014, Deputy Human Resources Officer, NJNG J1-HRO, JBMDL, NJ
8. November 2014 – December 2019, Director of Human Resources, NJNG J1-HRO, JBMDL, NJ
9. January 2020 – April 2021, Assistant to AAG – Air, JBMDL, NJ
10. May 2021 – present, Chief of Joint Staff, NJNG, Lawrenceville, NJ

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal (with one oak leaf cluster)
Air Force Commendation Medal
Army Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal
AF Organizational Excellence Award (with one oak leaf cluster)
Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal (with one oak leaf cluster)
Naval Reserve Meritorious Service Medal
National Defense Service Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Humanitarian Service Medal
Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal
AF Longevity Service (with one Silver Oak Leaf Cluster and one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)
Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with 1 'M' device)
AF Training Ribbon (with 1 device)

STATE AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

New Jersey Ribbon of Honor
New Jersey Merit Award Ribbon with 10 devices
New Jersey State Service Ribbon
New Jersey Unit Strength Award Ribbon
Wyoming National Guard Service Ribbon

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Air National Guard Association
Air National Guard Association of New Jersey
Enlisted Association of the Air National Guard of New Jersey
Girl Scouts of Central and Southern New Jersey

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant	03 March 2000
First Lieutenant	03 March 2002
Captain	03 March 2004
Major	25 October 2008
Lieutenant Colonel	22 June 2013

(Current as of June 2021)