



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

JAMES J. BROOKS

Mr. James J. Brooks, a member of the Senior Executive Service, is the Executive Director, Air National Guard, National Guard Bureau, the Pentagon, Washington, DC. He assists the Director, Air National Guard in formulating, developing and coordinating all policies, plans, and programs affecting more than 105,000 Air National Guard members and civilians in more than 1,800 units across 213 locations throughout the U.S., the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands.



Mr. Brooks was commissioned in the U.S. Air Force upon graduation from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1977. He served as a fighter pilot in the F-15, F-5 and F-111, and as a forward air controller flying O-2 and O/A-37 aircraft. Mr. Brooks served on the Allied Air Forces Southern Europe (NATO) operations staff and as a course director for the Air Command and Staff College. Following command, he was assigned to the Headquarters, US Air Force as the Chief of Aircrew Management and then as Chief of the Operational Training Division. Mr. Brooks also served in the Air Force Studies and Analyses Agency as the Director of the Current Capabilities Analyses Directorate and later as the Agency's Vice Director and Military Commander.

Mr. Brooks retired from active duty in 2006 and returned to the Air Force as a Senior Level executive serving as the Senior Advisor for Force Structure and Operational Assessments, Studies and Analyses, Assessments and Lessons Learned (AF/A9). He entered the Senior Executive Service in 2008 as the Associate Director, Air Force Quadrennial Defense Review, Office of the Vice Chief of Staff of the Air Force. Prior to this assignment Mr Brooks was the Deputy Director of Strategic Planning, Headquarters, U.S. Air Force.

EDUCATION

- 1977 Bachelor of Science degree, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 1985 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 1987 Distinguished graduate, F-5 Fighter Weapons Instructor Course, Williams AFB, Ariz.
- 1992 Distinguished graduate, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 1992 Master's degree in political science, Auburn University, Montgomery, Ala.
- 1995 Air War College

1996 Master of Arts degree in national security and strategic studies, with highest distinction, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.

CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1. 1977 - 1978, student, undergraduate pilot training, Columbus AFB, Miss.
2. 1979 - 1983, forward air controller, O-2A and O/A-37 instructor pilot, and Chief of Quality Assurance, 23rd and 27th Tactical Air Support Squadrons, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
3. 1983 - 1985, F-15 pilot and assistant flight commander, Chief of Scheduling, Training and Quality Assurance Sections, 48th Fighter Interceptor Squadron, Langley AFB, Va.
4. 1985 - 1988, F-5 instructor pilot, Fighter Weapons School instructor, Chief of Scheduling, and flight commander, 425th Tactical Fighter Training Squadron, Williams AFB, Ariz.
5. 1988 - 1990, air operations staff officer, Allied Air Forces Southern Europe (NATO), Naples, Italy
6. 1990 - 1991, aide-de-camp to the Commander, Allied Air Forces Southern Europe/Deputy Commander-in-Chief U.S. Air Forces in Europe, Naples, Italy
7. 1991 - 1992, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
8. 1992 - 1994, course director, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
9. 1994 - 1995, F-111 pilot and assistant operations officer, 523rd Fighter Squadron, Cannon AFB, N.M.
10. 1995 - 1996, student, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.
11. 1996 - 1998, Commander, 364th Training Squadron, Sheppard AFB, Texas
12. 1998 - 1999, Chief, Aircrew Management Branch, Deputy Chief of Staff for Air and Space Operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
13. 1999 - 2003, Chief, Operational Training Division, Deputy Chief of Staff for Air and Space Operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
14. 2003 - 2004, Director, Current Capabilities Analyses Directorate, Air Force Studies and Analyses Agency, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
15. 2004 - 2005, Vice Director and Military Commander, Air Force Studies and Analyses Agency, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
16. 2006 - 2008, Senior Advisor for Force Structure and Operational Assessments, Studies and Analyses, Assessments and Lessons Learned (AF/A9), Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
17. 2008 - 2011, Associate Director, Air Force Quadrennial Defense Review, Office of the Air Force Vice Chief of Staff, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
18. 2011 - 2014, Deputy Director, Strategic Planning, Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategic Plans and Programs, Headquarters US Air Force, Washington DC.
19. 2014 - present, Executive Director, Air National Guard, National Guard Bureau, Washington DC

AWARDS AND HONORS

Legion of Merit
 Defense Meritorious Service Medal
 Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters
 Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
 Air Force Achievement Medal

(Current as of August 2014)