
William G. Melton



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Mr. Will Melton currently serves as the Assistant Director of Intelligence for Resources, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps. As such, he serves as the principal financial advisor to the Director of Intelligence and is responsible for coordinating the programming and budgeting of all programs which impact intelligence within the Marine Corps, including the National Intelligence Program and the Military Intelligence Program.

Mr. Melton grew up in Springfield, Virginia and attended the University of Virginia on a NROTC scholarship, graduating with a bachelor's degree in mathematics. He later completed graduate work in engineering and was awarded a master's degree in systems engineering from UVa.

While on active duty, Mr. Melton served in a wide variety of intelligence-related command and staff billets both stateside and overseas. Starting out in communications, Mr. Melton transitioned to the signals intelligence field as a junior captain.

In July 1986, he was selected for the Olmsted Scholar Program and after completing language training at DLI was transferred to Paris, France where he attended the Institut d'Etudes Politiques, earning the equivalent of a master's degree in economics and finance in 1989.

Following assignments in Guam and in North Carolina, he was appointed as a Director's Fellow at the National Security Agency in Fort Meade, Maryland. Upon completion of the fellowship, Mr. Melton was assigned as the Marine Corps' liaison officer to NSA and subsequently served as the executive officer of Marine Support Battalion.

In 1998 Mr. Melton was ordered to Quantico, Virginia where he served first as a requirements officer and then as the operations officer for Requirements Division, Marine Corps Combat Development Command. His next assignment was as the Deputy AC/S, G-2, III Marine Expeditionary Force in Okinawa, Japan.

Mr. Melton returned to Quantico in 2001 where he was initially assigned as the Assistant Program Manager, Signals Intelligence/Ground Electronic Warfare Systems within the Marine Corps Systems Command and later became the Program Manager for all USMC ground intelligence programs. He retired from the Marine Corps in 2004. His personal decorations

include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal with two gold stars, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal. He is DAWIA Level III certified in Program Management.

Upon retiring, Mr. Melton first worked in industry as a consultant to the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency and then joined the civil service as a NGA employee. His most recent assignment prior to joining the Director of Intelligence staff was as a NGA liaison to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence.