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LTC Joel Babbitt is in charge of the Product Lead, Wideband Enterprise Satellite Systems (PL WESS) office, which reports to the Project Manager, Defense Communications and Army Transmission Systems (PM DCATS). LTC Babbitt is responsible for managing the acquisition, development and modernization of enterprise satellite communication systems and state-of-the-art satellite network control and planning systems for use with Defense Satellite Communications Systems, as well as Wideband Global Satellite and commercial satellite systems. The WESS workforce exceeds 200 personnel and executes an annual budget of over \$260 million.

LTC Babbitt previously served as the Product Manager for Warfighter Information Network-Tactical (WIN-T) Increment

1, the Army's premier at-the-halt tactical network and communications program, introducing WiFi to the tactical Army and flying command posts to the Global Response Force.

LTC Babbitt received a reserve commission in 1991 and served with the Utah National Guard. In 1995 he transferred to the Regular Army and was detailed to the Armor Corps, where he served as an Armor Platoon Leader in the 1-32 Armor Battalion, 3/2nd Infantry Division at Fort Lewis, Washington. After transitioning to the US Army Signal Corps, he served as a Company Executive Officer for the 176th Signal Company, 29th Signal Battalion; and the Battalion Signal Officer, 504th Military Police Battalion, both at Fort Lewis. LTC Babbitt completed assignments as the Assistant Battalion S-3 for the 41st Signal Battalion; and Company Commander, 201st Signal Company, 41st Signal Battalion, 1st Signal Brigade, in the Republic of Korea.

As a member of the Acquisition Corps since 2003, LTC Babbitt served as the Engineering Group Leader for TROJAN SPIRIT and Land Mobile Radios, US Army Information Systems Engineering Command (ISEC); and the Signal Engineering Brigade S-3, ISEC, at Fort Huachuca, Arizona. He also served as the Afghanistan Tech Control Facility Information Assurance Certification Lead, ISEC, in both Fort Huachuca and Afghanistan. Prior to his service as PdM for WIN-T Increment 1, LTC Babbitt was the Program Manager for Command, Control, Communications, Computing and Intelligence (C4I) Systems for a unit under the United States Special Operations Command at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He was responsible for funding, developing, acquiring, fielding, and sustaining all communications and intelligence support

systems and capabilities for the US Military's most elite units. Simultaneously, LTC Babbitt also served as deputy director for a 51 person J-6 Development Division, Branch Chief of the Acquisition and Resource Management Branch, the J6's Maintenance Officer, and as the command's C4I Portfolio Manager for Program Objective Memorandum.

LTC Babbitt earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology from Brigham Young University, in Provo, Utah. He holds a Master of Science degree in Computer Science from the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, California. He graduated from the Command and General Staff College in Fort Lee, Virginia and Austin, Texas. LTC Babbitt is a member of the Acquisition Corps and is Level II certified in Systems Planning, Research, Development and Engineering; Level II certified in Information Resources Management; and Level III certified in Program Management. He is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP). He also completed the Armor Officer Basic Course, Signal Officer Branch Qualification Course, Signal Captains Career Course, and was a Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer and Trainer.

His military awards and decorations include: Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (1 Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal (1 Oak Leaf Cluster), Afghanistan Campaign Medal - Campaign Star, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Air Assault Badge.