



# BIOGRAPHY



## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### LIEUTENANT COLONEL RONALD K. BOOKER

Lieutenant Colonel Ronald K. Booker is the Director (Forward), Manpower, Personnel and Services, U.S. Air Forces Central Command, Southwest Asia. Lt Col Booker provides direct support to USAFCENT Commander, seven Air Expeditionary Wings, six Air Expeditionary Groups, and two Air Component Coordination Elements. He leads 14 military personnel responsible for planning and executing support for more than 20,000 Air Force deployers within the USAFCENT's area of responsibility.

Lt Col Booker is a graduate of Morehouse College and earned his commission in 1996 through the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps at Georgia Institute of Technology. He is a career Force Support officer and has served in various personnel management assignments at all levels to include squadron, wing, Major Command, Air Staff, Office of the Secretary of Defense, as well as Joint and combined deployments.

Prior to this appointment, Lt Col Booker served the Assistant Director, Force Management Policy for the Office of the Secretary of Defense. Lt Col Booker was the Secretary of Defense lead for force management policy, guidance, and oversight of the entire Department of Defense. In addition, Lt Col Booker was responsible for policy guidance and statutory revisions that were coordinated with all branches of the military, Joint Staff, White House Military Office, and Congress.



#### EDUCATION

- 1996 Bachelor of Science, Psychology Pre-Med, Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.
- 1999 Masters of Science, Management/Business and Human Resources, Troy State University, Ala.
- 2000 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base (AFB), Ala.
- 2008 Masters of Science in Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

#### ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 1996 – August 1998, Section Commander, 314th Supply Squadron, Little Rock AFB, Ark.
2. August 1998 – September 2000, Section Commander, 33rd Maintenance Squadron, Eglin AFB, Fla.
3. September 2000 – December 2001, Chief, Relocations and Employments, 11th Wing Mission Support Squadron, the Pentagon, Washington D.C.
4. December 2001 – March 2003, Chief, Customer Support, 11th Wing Mission Support Squadron, Bolling AFB, Washington D.C.

5. March 2003 – March 2004, Executive Officer, 11th Wing Mission Support Group, Bolling AFB, Washington D.C.
6. April 2004 – July 2007, Deputy Chief, Senior Officer Matters; Chief, Force Development and Non-Rated Assignments; then Chief, Operations Support, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
7. July 2007 – June 2008, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
8. June 2008 – November 2008, Chief, Headquarters Air Force Executive Secretariat Military Personnel Division, Headquarters Air Force, the Pentagon, Washington D.C.
9. November 2008 – November 2009, Aide de Camp to Vice Chief of Staff, Headquarters Air Force, the Pentagon, Washington D.C.
10. November 2009 - July 2010, SECAF-CSAF Executive Action Group, Headquarters Air Force, the Pentagon Washington, D.C.
11. July 2010 – July 2012, Commander, 4th Force Support Squadron, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
12. July 2012 – July 2015, Assistant Director, Force Management Policy, Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Washington D.C.
13. July 2015 – present, Director (Forward), Manpower, Personnel and Services, USAFCENT, Al Udeid Air Base, Doha, Qatar.

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Defense Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster  
Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters  
Army Commendation Medal  
Air Force Commendation Medal  
Joint Service Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster  
Air Force Achievement Medal, with one oak leaf cluster

#### **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

1998 314th Airlift Wing Personnel Manager of the Year  
1999 33rd Fighter Wing Personnel Manager of the Year  
2001 11th Wing Junior Personnel Manager of the Year  
2002 11th Mission Support Squadron Company Grade Officer of the Year  
2003 11th Wing Junior Personnel Manager of the Year  
2003 11th Wing Tuskegee Airmen Captain Robert W. Williams Military Award  
2003 11th Wing Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award  
2006 Air Force Materiel Command General Horace M. Wade Innovation Award  
2008 Air Force Historical Foundation Award

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant May 18, 1996  
First Lieutenant May 29, 1998  
Captain May 29, 2000  
Major June 1, 2006  
Lieutenant Colonel September 1, 2011

(Current as of August 2015)