

Military Biography of Bruce D. Babcock, Col(Ret), USAF

As of June 2009

Col Bruce D. Babcock formerly served as the Deputy Director, Communications and Chief Information Officer Directorate, Air National Guard, Andrews Air Force Base, MD which is the functional leader for over 14,400 communications and information professionals, supporting over 107,000 Air National Guard members at 88 flying units and 200 geographically separated units throughout the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands. He was responsible for policy guidance, program management and resource allocation in support of the Air National Guard's State and Federal mission.

The colonel's varied assignments include tours as a program manager for combat communications systems, NATO Communications Officer, detachment commander, Air Staff Action Officer and Presidential Communications Officer for two Presidents. After graduating with honors from Michigan State University in 1983, he entered the Air Force and was commissioned from Officer Training School in 1984. He transitioned from active duty Air Force to active duty ANG in January 1998.

EDUCATION:

1983 - Bachelor of Arts, Communications, Michigan State University
1984 - Officers Training School, Medina Annex, Lackland AFB, TX
1984 - Basic communications-electronics officer course, Keesler AFB, MS
1987 - Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
1990 - Master of Science, Computer Information Systems, Boston University
1994 - Advanced communications officer course, distinguished graduate, Keesler AFB, MS
1998 - Air Command and Staff College (seminar)
2001 - National Defense University, Information Resources Management College, CIO Certificate
2002 - Air War College (seminar)

ASSIGNMENTS:

- 1) Feb 1984 Sep 1984, student, Communications-Electronics Officers Course, Keesler AFB, MS
- 2) Oct 1984 Mar 1987, Program Manager, Unit Level Circuit Switches, later, Executive Officer, Deputy Commander for Tactical Systems, JTIDS and AWACS, and later, Program Manager, TRI-TAC Fielding, Electronic Systems Division, Hanscom AFB, MA
- 3) Aug 1987 Jun 1990, Chief, Programs Management, later, Chief, ATOC Communications Branch, and later, Chief, NATO Communications Operations, 2134th Comm Squadron, Sembach AB, Germany
- 4) Jul 1990 Jul 1991, Commander, Detachment 2, 2003rd Comm Group, Princlik Air Station (Diyarbakir), Turkey
- 5) Jul 1991 Apr 1995, Operations Officer, later, Chief, Automated Services Branch, Data Systems Unit, and later, Deputy Operations Officer and Presidential Communications Officer, White House Communications Agency, The White House
- 6) Apr 1995 Jan 1998, Chief, Resource Allocation Data Systems, HQ USAF, Washington, DC
- 7) Jan 1998 Nov 1999 Chief, Washington Metropolitan Area Network, Air National Guard Readiness

Center, Andrews AFB, MD

8) Nov 1999 Aug 2001 Chief, Information Systems Division, later, Chief Information Policy Division, Air National Guard, Washington, DC

9) Aug 2001 Mar 2005, Deputy Chief Information Officer, Air National Guard, Washington, DC

10) Mar 2005 Jun 2009 , Deputy Director, Communications and Chief Information Officer Directorate, Air National Guard, Washington, DC

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Joint Meritorious Unit Award with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

Southwest Asia Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Humanitarian Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Overseas Short Tour Ribbon

Air Force Overseas Long Tour Ribbon

BADGES:

Presidential Service Badge

Master Communications and Information Badge

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

USAFE Air Force Communications-Computer Professionalism of the Year

Wing Company Grade Officer of the Year

Presidential Communications Office of the Quarter

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant 3 February 1984

First Lieutenant 3 February 1986

Captain 3 February 1988

Major 1 February 1996

Lieutenant Colonel 27 April 2000

Colonel 27 February 2004

Retired on 1 June 2009