



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Colonel John T. Patricola

Colonel John T Patricola is the commander of the 341st Mission Support Group, Malmstrom Air Force Base, Mont. As commander, he provides the critical war-fighting and peacetime support to the 341st Missile Wing. This includes supporting 43 units including tenants, engineering and construction, contracting services, disaster preparedness, personnel administration, communication services, recreation facilities, dining/lodging services, transportation services and worldwide contingency mobility forces.

Colonel Patricola enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1979. After completing his tour of duty in 1983, he left the service to complete his education. Colonel Patricola was a distinguished graduate of Officer Training School and commissioned a second lieutenant in the Air Force in 1987. He served as Deputy Group Commander, 3d Combat Communications Group and was the eighth squadron commander of the 31st Combat Communications Squadron, where he had the opportunity to deploy to Iraq and Saudi Arabia. Colonel Patricola has held diverse leadership positions at the company, battalion, detachment, squadron, group, wing and joint levels.



EDUCATION

- 1985 Bachelor of arts degree in economics, summa cum laude, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ.
- 1987 Distinguished graduate, Basic Communications Officer Training, Keesler Air Force Base, MS.
- 1992 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL.
- 1995 Master of science degree in administration, Central Michigan University, MI.
- 1996 Advanced Communications Officer Training, Keesler Air Force Base, MS.
- 2000 Distinguished graduate, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL.
- 2007 Graduate, National War College, Fort McNair Army Installation, Washington D.C..

ASSIGNMENTS

1. February 1980 – June 1983, cryptographic technician and Battalion Trainer, 1st Radio Battalion, Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station, HI.
2. April 1988 – June 1992, Chief, COMSEC Accounting Branch; then Chief, Dedicated Systems Branch; then Chief, Telephone-Wire Maintenance Branch, 390th Communications Operations Squadron and 1853d Communications Maintenance Squadron, Offutt Air Force Base, NE.
3. June 1992 – July 1996, Flight Commander, Plans and Programs Flight; then Wing Quality Advisor; then Flight Commander, Mission Systems Flight, Minot Air Force Base, ND.
4. August 1996 – August 1999, Flight Commander; then Chief of Training, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL.
5. August 1999 – June 2000, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL.
6. July 2000 – June 2001, Joint Programs Staff Officer, United States Forces Korea, J6, Yongsan Army Installation, South Korea.
7. July 2001 – June 2004, Squadron Commander, 31st Combat Communications Squadron; then Deputy Group Commander, 3d Combat Communications Group, Tinker Air Force Base OK.

8. June 2004 – July 2006, Action Officer, Director's Action Group; then Deputy Division Chief, Director's Action Group, Command, Control Communications and Computer Systems Directorate, J-6, the Joint Staff, Washington, D.C.
9. August 2006 – June 2007, Student, National War College, Fort McNair Army Installation, Washington, D.C.
10. July 2007 – June 2009, Present, Net-Centric Capabilities Portfolio Management Liaison Officer, United States Strategic Command, Arlington, VA.
11. June 2009 – present, Commander, 341st Mission Support Group, Malmstrom AFB, Mont.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Bronze Star

Defense Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Joint Service Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant November 1987

First Lieutenant November 1989

Captain November 1991

Major June 1999

Lieutenant Colonel March 2003

Colonel July 2008