



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

MR. CHRISTOPHER T. FINNIGSMIER

Mr. Christopher T. Finnigsmier is currently serving as the Technical Director of the 557th Weather Wing, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska. In his role as Technical Director, he assists the commander with the direction, guidance, and oversight of all aspects of execution of the wing's mission to enable the exploitation of timely, accurate, and relevant weather information to satisfy centralized weather support requirements of the Air Force, Army, Joint Chiefs of Staff, designated unified and specified commands, and national program customers.

Mr. Finnigsmier is a graduate of the United States Air Force Academy and was commissioned in 1996.

Throughout his career, he has served as a weather officer at the base level and a program manager, Executive Officer, and Deputy Director at the Field Operating Agency level.

EDUCATION

1996 Bachelor of Science in Meteorology, United States Air Force Academy, Colorado
2002 Master of Business Administration, Bellevue University, Bellevue, Nebraska
2002 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
2007 Air Command and Staff College (Correspondence)
2010 Information Resources Management College, National Defense University, Ft. McNair, Washington, D.C.
2013 Air War College (Correspondence)



ASSIGNMENTS

1. May 1996 – January 1997, Casual Status, 34th Operations Support Squadron /Operations Support Weather, US Air Force Academy, Colorado
2. January 1997 – June 1997, student, Weather Officer Course, Keesler AFB, Mississippi
3. June 1997–November 1999, Wing Weather Officer, 49th Operations Support Squadron / Operations Support Weather, Holloman AFB, New Mexico
4. November 1999 – November 2000, Wing Weather Officer, 8th Operations Support Squadron / Operations Support Weather, Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea
5. November 2000 – January 2003, Fielded Systems Lead/Branch Chief, Plans and Programs Directorate (XP), Headquarters Air Force Weather Agency, Offutt AFB, Nebraska
6. January 2003 – March 2004, Executive Officer, Air Force Weather Agency, Offutt AFB, Nebraska
7. April 2004 – July 2006, Forecasting Program Manager, Plans and Programs Directorate, Headquarters Air Force Weather Agency, Offutt AFB, Nebraska
8. July 2006 – June 2008, Deputy Chief, Program Management Branch, Headquarters Air Force Weather Agency, Offutt AFB, Nebraska
9. June 2008 – March 2011, Chief, Chief Information Officer Support Branch, Communications Directorate, Headquarters Air Force Weather Agency, Offutt AFB, Nebraska
10. April 2011 – September 2012, Interim Deputy Director of Communications, Communications Directorate, Headquarters Air Force Weather Agency, Offutt AFB, Nebraska
11. September 2012 – March 2015, Deputy Director of Communications, Communications Directorate, Headquarters Air Force Weather Agency, Offutt AFB, Nebraska
12. March 2015 – Present, Technical Director, 557th Weather Wing, Offutt AFB, Nebraska

CERTIFICATIONS

Department of Defense Chief Information Officer
Chief Information Officer Certificate in Federal Executive Competencies

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal

Special Act or Service Award

Meritorious Civilian Service Award

Air Force Commendation Medal with 1 oak leaf cluster

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