





UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL PATRICK C. WILLIAMS

Colonel Patrick C. Williams is the Commander, 2d Weather Group, 557th Weather Wing, Offutt AFB, Nebraska. He leads more than 550 active duty, civil service and contract personnel comprised of 6 Squadrons and 8 geographically separated units on 3 continents. The group operates and sustains the Air Force's \$323M strategic weather enterprise, delivering decision-quality, authoritative space and terrestrial environmental intelligence in support of national security objectives.

Prior to his current assignment, Colonel Williams was the Space Branch Chief and Joint Staff METOC Operations Officer on the Joint Staff. He was the Joint Chief of Staff's focal point for all DOD METOC activities and the Head of Delegation to NATO for METOC issues.

Colonel Williams received his commission from the United States Air Force Academy in May 1998. He became well versed in aviation, space and Army weather operations and held a wide variety of positions to include squadron commander, command weather briefer, flight commander, staff weather officer, program element monitor, executive officer and aide-de-camp.

Additionally, Colonel Williams also served two combat tours; the

first in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM as a flight commander, in charge of 2 Battlefield Weather Teams. His second combat tour was in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM as the Squadron Commander of the 19th Expeditionary Weather Squadron in charge of 235 rotating Battlefield Weather Forecasters at 15 different Forward Operating Bases throughout Afghanistan.



- 1998 Bachelor of Science in Meteorology, U.S. Air Force Academy
- 2002 Squadron Officer School via correspondence
- 2003 Distinguished Graduate, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
- 2003 Master of Engineering in Space Operations, University of Colorado
- 2008 Air Command and Staff College via correspondence
- 2010 Air Force Fellowship, Strategic Policy Intern, Washington DC
- 2010 Air War College via correspondence
- 2015 Eisenhower School for National Security and Resource Strategy, Ft McNair, Washington DC

ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. May 1998 Sep 2000, Command Weather Briefer, 21 Operations Support Squadron, Peterson AFB, CO
- Sep 2000 Jun 2003, Aerospace Weather Commander, 614th Space Operation Support Flight, Vandenberg AFB, CA
- 3. Jun 2003 Aug 2004, Staff Weather Officer (Flight Commander), 3d Weather Squadron, Ft Hood AIN, TX

- 4. Jul 2003 Mar 2004, Staff Weather Officer, 4th Infantry Division, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Tikrit, Iraq
- 5. Aug 2004 Apr 2006, Executive Officer, 3d Air Support Operations Group, Ft Hood AIN, TX
- 6. May 2006 Jun 2007, Aide-de-Camp to 8th AF, JFCC/GSI, AFNETOPS Commander, 8th Air Force, Barksdale AFB, LA
- 7. Jun 2007 Aug 2009, Flight Commander, 26th Operational Weather Squadron, Barksdale AFB, LA
- 8. Aug 2009 Jul 2010, Strategic Policy Intern, Air Force Fellows Program, National Capital Region, Spaatz Center for Officer Education, Air University, Pentagon D.C.
- 9. Jul 2010 Apr 2012, Program Element Monitor, Headquarters Air Force, Pentagon, Washington DC
- 10. Apr 2012 Apr 2013, Commander, 19th Expeditionary Weather Squadron, Bagram Airfield, OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan
- 11. Apr 2013 Jul 2014, Deputy Director, Army Policy, Headquarters Department of the Army, Washington DC
- 12. Jun 2014 Jul 2015, Student, Eisenhower School, National Defense University, Ft McNair, Washington DC
- 13. Jul 2015 Jul 2018, Space Branch Chief, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Pentagon Washington DC
- 14. Jul 2018 Present, Commander 2d Weather Group, Offutt AFB NE

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf cluster
Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
Army Commendation Medal
Afghanistan Campaign Medal
Iraq Campaign Medal
NATO Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

- 1999 Member, AFSPC Williams Award (Outstanding Base Weather Station of the Year), Peterson AFB, CO
- 2001 Commander, AFSPC Moorman Award (Outstanding Specialized Weather Unit of the Year), Vandenberg AFB, CA
- 2002 Commander, AFSPC Moorman Award (Outstanding Specialized Weather Unit of the Year), Vandenberg AFB, CA
- 2002 AFSPC Grisham Award (Outstanding Weather Company Grade Officer of the Year), Vandenberg AFB. CA
- 2004 Member, ACC Grimes/Williams Award (Outstanding Base Weather Unit of the Year), Fort Hood, TX
- 2006 8th Air Force Spirit of Hope Award (Outstanding Volunteerism), Fort Hood, TX
- 2006 Member, Air Force Sword Look Force Development Program, Fort Hood, TX
- 2008 Air Force Weather Agency, Weather Field Grade Officer of the Year, Barksdale AFB, LA

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 1998
First Lieutenant May 2000
Captain May 2002
Major Nov 2007
Lieutenant Colonel Dec 2010
Colonel Apr 2018

(Current as of July 2018)