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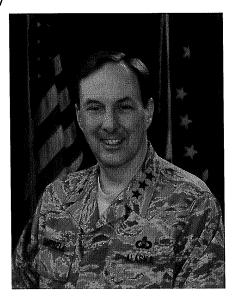
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Lt. Gen. Craig E. Campbell, Commissioner

Commissioner Campbell Biography



Lieutenant General Craig E. Campbell craig.campbell2@us.army.mil

Background:

Lieutenant General Craig E. Campbell is the Adjutant General for the State of Alaska, Commander of the Alaska National Guard and the Commissioner of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. He is responsible to provide Army and Air National Guard military forces, a State Defense Force, and a Navy Militia that are fully prepared to protect Alaska from any threat, disaster, or emergency. He is also responsible to ensure that Alaska's National Guard forces are ready to deploy worldwide and accomplish military missions in support of the national defense strategy. As Adjutant General and Commissioner for the State of Alaska, he is responsible for emergency services, homeland security, veteran affairs, a Counter-Drug Support Team, a Civil Support Team, and a Youth Challenge Program.

Lieutenant General Campbell received his commission in 1974 after graduating from the Reserve Officer Training Program at the University Lieutenant General Campbell received his commission in 1974 after graduating from the Reserve Officer Training Program at the University of Tulsa, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science degree. Upon completion of the basic Air Traffic Control Officer Program, he was assigned to Travis AFB, where he received certifications in both the air traffic control tower and radar approach control operations. His subsequent assignments included numerous operational and staff positions in air traffic control at K. I. Sawyer AFB, Vandenberg AFB and Elmendorf AFB. He joined the California Air National Guard in 1981 as the Chief Air Traffic Control Operations Officer, 234th Combat Communications Squadron, Hayward ANGB. In 1990, he was selected as Commander, 168th Resource Management Squadron, Alaska Air National Guard, Eielson AFB. His career with the Alaska Air National Guard includes extensive accomplishments, including development of the Alaska Air National Guard 1998 Long Range Plan which was used as the basis for the 2004 Alaska Air National Guard Transformation Plan. Following graduation from Naval War College in 1999, he served as the Executive Support Staff Officer, Alaska Air National Guard until being selected in 2000 as the Vice Commander, 168th Air Refueling Wing, a position he held until 2003. On 3 January 2003, he was selected to serve as the Adjutant General of Alaska and Commissioner of the Department of Military & Veterans Affairs. On 1 December 2006, he was selected by Governor Sarah Palin to retain these duties and be her trusted advisor.

Lieutenant General Campbell resides in Eagle River with his wife Anne Marie. They have two daughters, Amanda and Melanie and four grandchildren, Faith, Ellie, Kimberly and Emma.

Education:

1974 Bachelor of Science in Political Science, University of Tulsa, Oklahoma
1979 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
1981 Master of Public Administration, Golden Gate University, San Francisco, California
1985 Federal Aviation Administration Land Use Compatibility Course, Georgia Tech University, Atlanta, Georgia
1995 Air Command and Staff College by seminar
1997 Air War College by seminar

1999 Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies, Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island

Assignments:

- April 1975 September 1975, student, Air Traffic Control Officers Training Course, Keesler Air Force Base, Mississippi
- September 1975 September 1976, Air Traffic Control Operations, 1901st Communications Squadron, Travis Air Force Base, California
- September 1976 September 1979, chief, Radar Approach Control, 2001st Communications Squadron, K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base, Michigan
- September 1979 May 1981, chief, ATC Operations, 391st Communications Group, Vandenberg Air Force Base, California
- May 1981 November 1984, chief, Air Traffic Operations, 1931st Communications Group, Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska
- November 1984 November 1991, chief, ATC Operations, 234th Combat Communications Squadron, Hayward Air National Guard Base, California
- November 1991 October 1992, commander, 168th Resource Management Squadron, Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska
- October 1992 March 1997, commander, 168th Logistics Squadron, Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska
- March 1997 August 1999, chief, Long Range Planning, Alaska Air National Guard, Anchorage, Alaska
- August 1999 September 2000, executive support staff officer, Alaska Air National Guard, Anchorage, Alaska
- September 2000 January 2003, vice commander, 168th Air Refueling Wing, Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska
- January 2003 Present, Adjutant General of Alaska, Fort Richardson, Alaska

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit
Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with two devices
Air Force Commendation Medal with one device
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
Air Force Organizational Excellence Award
National Defense Service Medal
Air Force Longevity Service Medal with five devices
Air Reserve Forces Service Medal
Alaska Distinguished Service Medal
Alaska Commendation Medal
California Medal of Merit

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant June 4, 1974
First Lieutenant December 5, 1976
Captain January 1, 1979
Major June 2, 1988
Lieutenant Colonel June 5, 1995
Colonel March 30, 2000
Brigadier General February 6, 2004
Major General November 18, 2005 (federal duties)
Lieutenant General September 8, 2008 (state duties)

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