



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BRIGADIER GENERAL ELLEN M. PAWLIKOWSKI

Brig. Gen. Ellen M. Pawlikowski is Director, Military Satellite Communications Joint Program Office, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles Air Force Base, Calif. She directs acquisition planning, programming, budgeting, execution and congressional activities for a \$46 billion portfolio for military satellite communication systems. These systems include the Milstar constellation, Defense Satellite Communications System, Wideband Gapfiller Satellites Program, Advanced Extremely High Frequency Program, Transformational Satellite Communications System Program, Global Broadcast Service Program, Command and Control System-Consolidated Program, and associated Air Force communication terminals and mission control systems. She exercises the authority of the Air Force Program Executive Officer for Space in interacting with the Office of the Secretary of Defense, National Reconnaissance Office, NASA, National Security Agency and major commands.



General Pawlikowski entered the Air Force in 1978 through the ROTC program at New Jersey Institute of Technology. She attended the University of California at Berkeley, Calif., and received a Doctorate of Philosophy in chemical engineering in December 1981, entering active duty at McClellan AFB, Calif., in April 1982. The general has served in a variety of technical management, leadership and staff positions, and she has served as Deputy Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Counterproliferation in Office of the Secretary of Defense. Prior to her current assignment, she was Director, Airborne Laser System Program Office, Space and Missile Systems Center, Kirtland AFB, N.M.

EDUCATION

- 1978 Bachelor of Science degree in chemical engineering, New Jersey Institute of Technology, Newark
- 1981 Doctorate of Philosophy in chemical engineering, University of California, Berkeley
- 1984 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 1990 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
- 1991 Program Managers Course, Defense Systems Management College, Fort Belvoir, Va.
- 1994 Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. April 1982 – December 1984, Director, Gas Research and Development, Technical Operations Division,

McClellan AFB, Calif.

2. December 1984 – March 1986, Chief, Mass Spectrometry and Micro-beam Instruments Branch, Technical Operations Division, McClellan AFB, Calif.
3. March 1986 – December 1987, Command Systems Plans Manager, Air Force Technical Applications Center, Patrick AFB, Fla.
4. December 1987 – July 1989, Chief, Plans and Programs Division, Air Force Technical Applications Center, Patrick AFB, Fla.
5. July 1989 – July 1990, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
6. June 1990 – December 1991, Deputy Chief, Special Projects Division, Rome Laboratory, Griffiss AFB, N.Y.
7. December 1991 – July 1993, Senior Executive Officer, Rome Laboratory, Griffiss AFB, N.Y.
8. July 1993 – June 1994, student, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
9. June 1994 – March 1996, Director, Acquisition Management Office, Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Atomic Energy, Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
10. March 1996 – June 1997, Deputy Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Counterproliferation, Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
11. June 1997 – June 1999, Chief, Revolutionizing Training Division, Training Systems Product Group, Aeronautical Systems Center, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio
12. June 1999 – March 2000, Deputy Director, Global Power Programs, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
13. April 2000 – March 2005, Director, Airborne Laser System Program Office, Missile Defense Agency, Kirtland AFB, N.M.
14. March 2005 – present, Director, Military Satellite Communications Joint Program Office, Space and Missile Systems Center, Los Angeles AFB, Calif.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit

Defense Meritorious Service Medal Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Achievement Medal

Air Force Individual Recognition Ribbon

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

1984 Commandant Trophy recipient, Squadron Officer School

1985 and 1986 Company Grade Officer of the Year, Air Force Technical Applications Center

1987 National Finalist, White House Fellowship Program

1992 YWCA Woman of the Year

1994 Defense Acquisition Research Award

1998 Stewart Award (Top Senior Program Manager, ASC)

1999 Air Force Association Management Award - Executive

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 25, 1978

First Lieutenant May 25, 1981

Captain May 25, 1983

Major March 1, 1988

Lieutenant Colonel April 1, 1992

Colonel Oct. 1, 1996

Brigadier General June 1, 2005

(Current as of June 2005)