



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL KAREN MOCK

Lieutenant Colonel Karen Mock is the Commander of the 627th Force Support Squadron. She is triple-hatted, also serving as the Deputy Director for both the Personnel and Family Readiness, and the Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation Directorates at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington. She orchestrates and executes joint installation support functions for 155,000 active duty Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, civilians, retirees and their family members for the Department of Defense's premier joint power projection platform installation. In addition to her joint mission, Lieutenant Colonel Mock provides mission-ready Airmen through Prime Readiness and Personnel Support for Contingency Operations for worldwide military operations through sustained expeditionary and joint war fighting capabilities.

Lieutenant Colonel Mock earned her commission in 2005 from the United States Air Force Officer Training School. She has held a variety of positions at the squadron, wing, numbered Air Force and major command levels. Her career includes Executive Officer to the Commander, 55th Bomb Wing, Strategic Communication Advisor to the commander, 18th Air Force, and deployments to Afghanistan, Iraq, Qatar, and the United Arab Emirates.

Prior to assuming her current position, Lieutenant Colonel Mock served as Afghanistan-Pakistan Hand/NATO Strategic Communications Advisor to the spokesman and media and public affairs director for the Ministry of Interior, Kabul Afghanistan.



EDUCATION

2004 Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology, University of Maryland University College, Adelphi, Md.

2010 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

2012 Master of Arts degree in International Relations, American Military University, Charles Town, W.V. ,

2016 Air Command and Staff College, by correspondence

2019 Master of Arts, Strategic Security Studies, College of International Security Affairs, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington D.C.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. April 2006 – June 2007, Squadron Section Commander, 55 Mission Support Squadron, Offutt AFB, Neb.

2. June 2007 – November 2008, Squadron Section Commander, 55 Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Offutt AFB, Neb.
3. November 2008 – May 2009, Chief, Readiness and Plans, Offutt AFB, Neb.
4. May 2009 – January 2011, Chief, Military Personnel Section, Barksdale AFB, La.
5. January 2011 – August 2011, Executive Officer, 2d Bomb Wing, Barksdale AFB, La.
6. August 2011 – October 2013, Deputy Chief, Resources and Plans, Barksdale AFB, La.
7. October 2013 – December 2013, Media Operations Officer, Barksdale AFB, La.
8. December 2013 – May 2014, Public Affairs Action Officer, Barksdale AFB, La.
9. May 2014 – Jan 2017, Director, Public Affairs, 18th Air Force, Scott AFB, Ill.
10. Jan 2017 – August 2018, Afghanistan-Pakistan Hand, the Pentagon, Arlington, Va.
11. August 2018 – July 2019, AFPAK IDE Fellow, College of International Security Affairs, National Defense University, D.C.
12. July 2019 – Present, Commander, 627 Force Support Squadron, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wa.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal Meritorious
Service Medal with oak leaf cluster
Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf clusters Air
Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf clusters

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant, August 12, 2005
First Lieutenant, August 12, 2007
Captain, August 12, 2009
Major, February 1, 2016
Lieutenant Colonel, August 1, 2020

(Current as of August 2020)