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CHARTER

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PEO STRI

U.S. ARMY PROGRAM EXECUTIVE OFFICE
SIMULATION, TRAINING AND INSTRUMENTATION

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THE HONORABLE BRUCE D. JETTE

*Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology)
and Army Acquisition Executive*



Dr. Bruce D. Jette was confirmed by the United States Senate as the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology (ASA(ALT)) on December 20, 2017, and sworn into office on January 2, 2018. In this position, he serves as the Army Acquisition Executive, the Senior Procurement Executive, the Science Advisor to the Secretary of the Army, and the Army's Senior Research and Development official. He also has principal responsibility for all Department of the Army matters related to logistics.

Dr. Jette leads the execution of the Army's acquisition function and the acquisition management system. His responsibilities include providing oversight for the life cycle management and sustainment of Army weapon systems and equipment from research and development through test and evaluation, acquisition, logistics, fielding, and disposition. He is also responsible for appointing, managing, and evaluating program executive officers and managing the Army Acquisition Corps and Army Acquisition workforce. In addition, he oversees the Elimination of Chemical Weapons Program.

Prior to his confirmation, Dr. Jette served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Synovision Solutions, LLC, an innovative company he founded to provide management and technical consulting, engineering services, and project management in support of military and governmental agencies, as well as commercial industry.

A decorated veteran of 28 years of active duty, Dr. Jette retired as a Colonel following a career that included several armor and cavalry company commands, two overseas tours, various staff assignments at the battalion and brigade level, and over two years of operational deployments to Afghanistan, Iraq and Kuwait. Highlights of his previous acquisition service include founding the U.S. Army Rapid Equipping Force; serving as Program Manager for Soldier Systems which led to the establishment of Program Executive Office Soldier; and being honored as U.S. Army PM of the Year for his success as Product Manager for all Army airborne electronic warfare systems.

Dr. Jette is a graduate of the United States Military Academy with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nuclear Engineering and Chemistry. He also holds both a Master of Science degree and a Doctorate in Electronic Materials from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was an Adjunct Professor at the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service Security Studies Program at Georgetown University.

His numerous military awards and commendations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit (3), Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3), Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal (2), National Defense Medal (2), Operation Iraqi Freedom Campaign Ribbon, Operation Enduring Freedom Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Army Overseas Ribbon (2), Parachutist Badge, Army General Staff Award, and Order of Saint Maurice (Legionnaire).

MR. TIMOTHY F. BISHOP, SES

*Outgoing Acting Program Executive Officer
Program Executive Office Simulation, Training and Instrumentation*



Mr. Timothy F. Bishop is the Acting Program Executive Officer for the Program Executive Office, Simulation, Training and Instrumentation (PEO STRI). On January 20, 2019, Mr. Bishop was selected for the Senior Executive Service and appointed to the position of Deputy Program Executive Officer for PEO STRI. Mr. Bishop manages a portfolio of fielded systems with a current inventory value of over \$2.65B in 125 locations; over 335,000 training devices in 19 foreign countries; and 480 sites worldwide. He evaluates proposed program plans of subordinate managers in light of current technology; Army research, development, and engineering needs; and program thrusts.

Career Chronology:

- Jun 2020 - Present: Acting Program Executive Officer, Program Executive Office, Simulation, Training and Instrumentation, Orlando, Florida
- Jan 2019 - Jun 2020: Deputy Program Executive Officer, Program Executive Office, Simulation, Training and Instrumentation, Orlando, Florida
- Apr 2018 - Jan 2019: Acting Deputy Program Executive Officer, Program Executive Office, Simulation, Training and Instrumentation, Orlando, Florida
- Dec 2017 - Apr 2018: ASA(ALT) Liaison, U.S. Army G3/7 Training Systems, DASA Plans, Programs and Resources, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.
- Sept 2011 - Dec 2017: Director of Threat Systems Management Office, Program Executive Office, Simulation, Training and Instrumentation, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama
- Aug 2009 - Sept 2011: Technical Director, Information Operations Joint Management Office, U.S. Joint Forces Command, Norfolk, Virginia
- Jul 2008 - Aug 2009: Director of Operations, U.S. Army Installation Management Command - Europe, Heidelberg, Germany

College:

- Bachelor of Science, Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama
- Master of Science, Strategic Studies, U.S. Army War College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania

Significant Training:

- Level III Certified in Program Management; Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act
- Level III Systems Engineering; Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act
- Level II Certified in Test and Evaluation; Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act
- Senior Service College; U.S. Army War College

Awards and Honors:

- Superior Civilian Service Award; Installation Management Command - Europe
- Top Ten Outstanding Personnel of the Year; Army Test and Evaluation Command
- Commander's Award for Civilian Service; PEO for Simulation, Training and Instrumentation
- Global War on Terror Medal; Department of Defense

MS. KAREN D.H. SAUNDERS, SES

*Incoming Program Executive Officer
Program Executive Office Simulation, Training and Instrumentation*



Ms. Karen D.H. Saunders is the incoming Program Executive Officer for the Program Executive Office Simulation, Training and Instrumentation (PEO STRI). She previously served as the Chief of Staff for the Undersecretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment (USD(A&S)). In this capacity, she was responsible to the USD(A&S) for daily management and operation on all matters pertaining to acquisition; contract administration; logistics and materiel readiness; installations, environment and operational energy; chemical, biological, and nuclear weapons; the acquisition workforce; and the defense industrial base.

From June 2015 until September 2017, Ms. Saunders served as the Department of Defense's (DoD) Executive Director, Defense Science Board (DSB), responsible for the management and operation of the Department's Acquisitions, Science and Technology Federal Advisory Board; and as the Program Manager for the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Development Office responsible for leading the execution of the National Defense Education Program portfolio in all aspects of the DoD's STEM policy guidance and oversight; program assessment and evaluation; and education, outreach and training.

In December 2014, Ms. Saunders culminated a 30 year honorable career in the U.S. Army as a Colonel serving as the Chief of Staff for the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology. Prior to this, she served on the Office of the Secretary of Defense's (OSD) staff as the Military Assistant to the Principal Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering. Prior to serving on the OSD staff, she was assigned to the NATO Training Mission - Afghanistan, Combined Security Transition Command - Afghanistan serving as the Chief, Security Cooperation Division; Security Assistance Office, responsible for Afghan National Security Forces Acquisition and Foreign Military Sales Advising and the command's End Use Monitoring Mission and G4, Deputy Commanding General-Army, responsible for Afghan Army force generation and fielding. She also served as the Senior Advisor to the Afghan National Army Ministry of Defense Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics Deputy Minister.

Ms. Saunders was commissioned as a Military Intelligence Corps Second Lieutenant upon graduation from Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma. She has held command and staff assignments in Military Intelligence and Operations Research and Systems Analysis to include Strategic Intelligence Research Analyst, U.S. Army Concepts Analysis Agency, Bethesda, Maryland; Chief, Intelligence Systems Division, Battle Command Battle Lab - Huachuca; Battalion Executive Officer and Operations Officer, 304th Military Intelligence Battalion and 305nd Military Intelligence Battalion, Fort Huachuca, Arizona. Upon assessing into the Army Acquisition Corps, Ms. Saunders' assignments included Project Director, Tactical Simulation and Warfighters' Simulation Intelligence Models, Simulation, Training, and Instrumentation Command, Orlando, Florida and Deputy Director, Whitfill Central Technical Support Facility, Program Executive Office, Command Control and Communications (Tactical), Fort Hood, Texas. In command select assignments, Ms. Saunders served as the Product Manager, Future Combat System-Battle Command, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey and Project Manager, Constructive Simulation, PEO STRI, Orlando, Florida.

Her military education includes the Military Intelligence Basic and Advanced Courses, Operations Research and Analysis Course, Army Command and General Staff College and the National War College. Her civilian education includes Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and Masters of Science degrees in Computer Science (Artificial Intelligence/Robotics) from Naval Postgraduate School and National Security Strategy from the National War College. Ms. Saunders is Level III certified in Program Management.

PEO STRI HISTORY

In 1974, the U.S. Army recognized the need for new training technologies in the face of the advancing Soviet threat in Europe and established the Project Manager Training Devices (PM TRADE). In 1976, the Army consolidated PM TRADE with the Army Training Device Agency. During the late 1980s, PM TRADE moved to Central Florida's Research Park. The Army proved the importance of simulation and training in 1991 with a swift victory in Operation Desert Storm.

The U.S. Army's Simulation, Training and Instrumentation Command was activated on August 1, 1992, in Orlando, Florida, and subsequently transitioned to the Program Executive Office, Simulation, Training and Instrumentation (PEO STRI) in 2003.

PEO STRI is the U.S. Army's leading provider of simulation, training, instrumentation and testing products and services. PEO STRI annually executes programs valued at more than \$2.7 billion with a workforce of military, civilian and contractor personnel. Headquartered in Central Florida's Research Park, the organization also has geographically separated offices in Redstone Arsenal, Alabama.

PEO STRI is diligently advancing simulation, training and test programs to ensure Soldier readiness while modernizing training and simulation for the future force.

PEO STRI's top three priorities to meet Soldier readiness training requirements are the Synthetic Training Environment (STE), Combat Training Centers (CTCs) and Persistent Cyber Training.

STE provides a cognitive, collective, multi-echelon training and mission rehearsal capability for the operational, institutional and self-development training domains. It brings together the virtual, constructive and gaming training environments

into a single Synthetic Training Environment. The Synthetic Training Environment is one of PEO STRI's top priorities in support of modernization. PEO STRI works closely with the STE Cross Functional Team in that arena. PEO STRI's Project Manager Synthetic Environment is dedicated to ensuring PEO STRI's support of STE leads to the success envisioned by the Army's top leadership.

In support of CTCs, PEO STRI Project Manager Soldier Training delivers capabilities to include Training Aids, Devices, Simulators and Simulations and Multiple Integrated Laser Engagement Systems to support the CTCs in ensuring Soldiers increase their lethality and learn the skills necessary to accomplish the Army Mission.

Persistent Cyber Training addresses an urgent need to provide a persistent and realistic training environment to Department of Defense (DoD) Cyber Mission Forces. The DoD has tasked the Army and subsequently PEO STRI's Project Manager Cyber, Test and Training to take the lead in expanding National Cyber Ranges (NCRs) to meet the challenge. The NCRs provide advanced cyber research and development of new capabilities, analysis of malware, cyber training and exercises, and secure cloud computing and storage architectures. PEO STRI was singled out as the best organization to take on the new-start (Special Interest), Persistent Cyber Training Environment program.

Supporting other critical Army training priorities, are Project Lead International Programs that builds partner capacity by assisting partner nations in obtaining training skills and technologies needed for success on the multinational battlefield; and Project Lead Training Aids, Devices, Simulators and Simulation Support Operations that is responsible for providing integrated training systems operations, sustainment and training services worldwide.

FORMER LEADERS

1974-1976
COL Leland Wilson

1976-1978
COL J.J. Leszczynski

1978-1980
COL Boris Pogoloff

1980-1983
COL Don Campbell

1983-1986
COL Jim Ball

1986-1990
COL Dick Lunsford

1990-1993
COL John Gravois

1993-1995
BG John Michitsch

1995-1996
BG Pete Franklin

Jul-Nov 1996
COL Jim King

1996-1998
BG John Geis

1998-2000
MG William Bond

2000-2005
BG Stephen Seay

2005-2014
Dr. James Blake, SES

2014-2016
MG Jonathan Maddux

2016-2018
BG William Cole

2018-2020
BG Michael Sloane

June-July 2020
Mr. Timothy Bishop, SES

THE ARMY SONG

*March along, sing our song,
with the Army of the free.
Count the brave, count the true,
who have fought to victory.
We're the Army and proud of our name!
We're the Army and proudly proclaim:*

*First to fight for the right,
And to build the Nation's might,
And the Army Goes Rolling Along.
Proud of all we have done,
Fighting till the battle's won,
And the Army Goes Rolling Along.*

*Then it's Hi! Hi! Hey!
The Army's on its way.
Count off the cadence loud and strong;
(TWO! THREE!)
For where e'er we go,
You will always know
That the Army Goes Rolling Along.*