

## ALAN ESTES

### Profile

Mr. Estes served as Director of Cyber Operations and CISO at Air Forces Cyber (AFCYBER) supporting USCYBERCOM, USTRANSCOM, USEUCOM, JTF-DoDIN and HAF cyber operations; Deputy Commander and Commander at the Mission Support Group, Mountain Home AFB, ID with responsibilities including engineering, communications and contracting; and overseas duty as Deputy Director of Staff at HQ USAFE, Deputy Director of Communications and Communications Planner at HQ Third AF in the USEUCOM theater supporting multiple contingency and humanitarian operations.

### Relevant Experience

Mr. Estes served as the Director of Cyber Operations and Systems at the Air Force's only cyber headquarters (AFCYBER). He directed cyber operations supporting USCYBERCOM, USTRANSCOM, USEUCOM, JTF-DoDIN, and HAF. In the cyber systems role, he served as the CISO to the AFCYBER Commander. He was responsible for mission assurance for one million customers across the Air Force Enterprise and he directed reviews for over one hundred and fifty projects worth hundreds of millions of dollars to secure the multi-billion-dollar global Air Force Information Network.

Previously, as the Deputy Commander and Commander of the Mission Support Group at Mountain Home AFB, ID, he led a two-thousand-person organization, and his responsibilities included engineering, communications, and contracting for an installation of ten thousand people. He directed infrastructure support for a one hundred- and nineteen-thousand-acre installation valued at over a billion dollars. He took a special assignment as an Air Advisor to the Mission Support Group Commander and his five subordinate squadron commanders as part of the Kabul Air Wing in the Afghan Air Force and was dual hatted as the Commander of the USAF Air Expeditionary Advisory Squadron. His responsibilities included infrastructure support for over six hundred people working and living at a combat forward operating location as part of NATO Air Training Command Afghanistan.

Before his mission support group positions, Mr. Estes served on the HQ USAFE staff as the Deputy Director of Staff to two COMUSAFEs at Ramstein Air Base. He served on the Third AF staff as Deputy Director of Communications and as Communications Planner supporting multiple contingency and humanitarian operations in the USEUCOM theater.

His joint service operational experience included executive duty and leadership positions to the J6 of USCENTCOM during the continuing combat operations in Afghanistan and the beginning of combat operations in Iraq. His tactical command experience includes the Base Communications Squadron Commander at Keesler AFB, MS. during Hurricane Katrina and two different Combat Communications Squadron Commands at Robins Air Force Base, GA.

After retiring from the Air Force, and prior to joining Suss Consulting, he held executive corporate positions providing strategic planning, business growth, cyber mission assurance, information security and program management across the federal government.

### Education

- Bachelor of Science in Computer Information Systems from the University of Tampa.
- Master of Science in Aerospace Science from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.
- Master of Military Operational Art and Science from Air University.
- Top and Distinguished Graduate from the Advanced Communications Officer Training, and Top and Distinguished Graduate from Air Force Reserve Officer Training Detachment 158.
- Certified Information Systems Security Professional and a lifetime member of AFCEA International.