

BRENDA WHITE

Profile

As Vice Commander, Headquarters Air Force Cyberspace Capabilities Center and as Tri-Chair Director of the Enterprise Information Technology as a Service (EITaaS) Integrated Program Office, Colonel Brenda (Oppel) White was responsible for the full lifecycle of worldwide Air Force information technology (IT) infrastructure, services, and projects.

Relevant Experience

Colonel White served as Vice Commander, Headquarters Cyberspace Capabilities Center and Tri-Chair Director of the Enterprise Information Technology as a Service (EITaaS) Integrated Program Office (IPO), Hanscom Air Force Base, MA. She led a 500+ member team responsible for addressing Air Force cyber & IT requirements. She drove massive digital transformation which enabled a \$3.5B investment to transition Air Force IT to an as-a-Service model, leveraging industry best practices including cloud computing and network services. At the EITaaS IPO, her areas of focus included risk reduction in network infrastructure, end user services, cloud and edge computing.

In her leadership roles, she influenced key Air Force decision makers during governance councils on digital transformation, prioritization, and resourcing. She developed strong executive relationships with the CIO, CTO, and other leaders through bi-weekly program status reports. She led two of the very few IT programs to garner significant attention from Air Force leadership including the Secretary of the Air Force and the Chief of Staff of the Air Force.

Previously in her Air Force career, she commanded at the flight, detachment, squadron, and center levels. Her military deployments included Iraq, Italy, Bosnia-Herzegovina, and Qatar.

Immediately prior to joining Suss Consulting, Ms. White served as Director, Consulting Services for CGI Federal specializing in the U.S. Air Force line of business. In that role:

- She identified client needs and developed business process and technology solutions to solve critical issues and support organizational priorities.
- She responded to requests for proposal, request for information, or sources sought requests and coordinated the requisite resources needed for responses to the government.
- She attracted premier teaming relationships in the targeted client market.
- She briefed senior company leadership on opportunity capture status and win strategies.
- She attracted, built, and developed talent to ensure teams drove innovation and fostered collaboration.

Education

- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Mississippi State University.
- Master of Aeronautical Science in Aviation/Aerospace Management, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Worldwide. Chief Information Officer (CIO) Certificate from the National Defense University.
- Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College.
- Senior Military Fellow to the International Security Studies Program at The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, Boston.
 - Ms. White was the first female Air Force officer as well as the first Cyberspace Operations Officer selected to attend this prestigious fellowship program.