



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIRFORCE



COLONEL ERIC T. RIVERA

Colonel Eric Rivera serves as the Commander, 953d Reserve Support Squadron supporting the elite Joint Enabling Capabilities Command (JECC) located at Norfolk Naval Air Station, Virginia and the Joint Staff Hampton Roads in Suffolk, Virginia. His unit augments USTRANSCOM, Joint Enabling Capabilities Command (JECC) Reserve force by providing flexible, employable packages composed of personnel who are experienced in joint operations, understand joint doctrine and are trained in the joint operation planning process. The 953rd also augments Joint Staff-Hampton Roads Joint Reserve Unit, Virginia, by providing experienced joint planners and operators to train and exercise COCOM Headquarters and Joint Task Force Headquarters in preparation for no-notice global force response. Col Rivera deployed to Bagram, Afghanistan in 2008 as the 455 Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron Commander. In 2018 he deployed to Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar as the Air Reserve Command Senior Advisor Forward for AFCENT. Most recently Col Rivera deployed in 2020 to Kabul, Afghanistan as NATO Deputy CJ4 & Deputy DCOS Support HQ, Resolute Support. In a civilian capacity Eric is Vice President - Program Management & Project Management for JPMorgan Chase.

EDUCATION:

1989 Applied Science Aircraft Power Plant Technology, Community College of the AF
1990 Airframe and Power plant License, FAA
1991 Bachelors of Science Professional Aeronautics, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
1996 Masters in Business Administration, Keller Graduate School of Management
2001 Squadron Officer School, Correspondence
2001 Joint Air Operations Planning Course (JAOPC)
2002 Contingency Wartime Planning Course (CWPC)
2002 Middle East Orientation Course
2002 Russia/Eurasia Orientation Course
2003 Squadron Commanders Course, Robins AFB GA
2005 Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Officer Course (ELROC), In-residence, Lackland AFB TX
2007 Air Command and Staff College, Correspondence
2010 Executive Certificate, Integrated Supply Chain Management, Wright State University
2011 Executive Certificate, LEAN Applied Business Processes, Logistics Officer Association University
2014 Air War College, Correspondence
2016 Lean Six Sigma Green Belt (LSSGB)
2016 Project Management Professional (PMP)
2017 Lean Six Sigma Black Belt (LSSBB)
2017 Joint Professional Military Education Phase II (JCWS)

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. September 1987- January 1989, F-16 Aircraft Crew chief for the 31st Tactical Fighter Wing, Homestead AFB FL.
2. January 1989 – July 1991, F-16 Aircraft Crew chief for the 56th Tactical Fighter Wing, MacDill AFB FL.
3. October 1991- January 1995, C-130H Aircraft Crew chief for the 928th Airlift Wing, O'Hare ARB, Chicago IL.
4. August 1995- August 1996, OIC Ops for the 28th Aerial Port Squadron, 928 Airlift Wing, O'Hare ARB, Chicago IL.
5. September 1996- May 1998, Officer-in-Charge of Training for the 25th Aerial Port Squadron, Maxwell AFB AL.
6. June 1998- April 2001, OIC of Terminal Services for the 25th Aerial Port Squadron, Maxwell AFB AL.
7. May 2001- September 2002, Flight Commander for the 25th Aerial Port Squadron, Maxwell AFB AL.
8. October 2002- September 2005, Commander for the 49th Aerial Port, Grissom ARB IN.
9. October 2005 - April 2009, Logistics Readiness Officer, Aerial Port Operations (A4T), HQ 4th AF, March ARB CA.

10. May 2008-September 2008, Expeditionary Logistics Squadron Commander, Bagram Airbase, Afghanistan
11. May 2009 - May 2011, Commander for the 82nd Aerial Port Squadron, Travis AFB, CA.
12. June 2011 - October 2012, Commander for the 934th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Minneapolis ARS, MN.
13. October 2012 - September 2015, Deputy Commander for the 927th Mission Support Group, MacDill AFB, FL.
14. June 2014 - September 2015, Commander 927th Logistics Readiness Squadron, MacDill AFB, FL.
15. October 2015 -January 2019, Sr Reserve Joint Team Lead, Defense Logistics Agency-Aviation, Richmond, VA.
16. January 2018 - August 2018, AFCENT Senior Air Reserve Command Advisor Forward, Al Udeid, Qatar
17. May 2020 - October 2020, Deputy CJ4 & Deputy DCOS Support, Resolute Support HQ, Kabul Afghanistan
18. January 2019 – January 2021, Deputy Chief of Plans, Joint Enabling Capabilities Command, Norfolk NAS, VA
19. February 2021 - Present, 953d Reserve Support Squadron Commander, Joint Enabling Capabilities Command, Suffolk, VA

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Meritorious Service Medal (4 Devices)
 Joint Service Commendation Medal
 Air Force Commendation Medal (3 Devices)
 Air Force Achievement Medal
 Joint Meritorious Unit Award (1 Device)
 Meritorious Unit Award
 Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (5 Devices)
 Air Force Good Conduct Medal
 Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal
 National Defense Service Medal (1 Device)
 Afghanistan Campaign Medal (1 Device)
 Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
 Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border
 Air Force Longevity Service Ribbon (4 Devices)
 Armed Forces Reserve Medal with 1 'M' Device (2 Devices)
 USAF NCO PME Graduate Ribbon
 Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon (Pistol)
 Air Force Training Ribbon
 NCO Professional Military Education Ribbon
 NATO Medal (2 Devices)
 Department of the Air Force Educational Achievement Award-1991

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant	14 Sep 1995
First Lieutenant	14 Sep 1997
Captain	29 Sep 2000
Major	29 Sep 2004
Lt Colonel	01 Sep 2010
Colonel	01 Dec 2015