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Defense and Aerospace Leader

Greater Minneapolis-St. Paul Area

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Defense and Aerospace leader with Orbital ATK's Armament Systems Division. Over 25 years of military and Department of Defense (DoD) acquisition and program management experience. Extensive experience with developing innovative and effective strategies, and implementing successful execution plans to drive improved productivity, growth, and cost savings within programs, and leading large organizations.

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Experience

Vice President, Precision Weapons, Armament Systems Division
Orbital ATK
Mar 2017 – Present • 1 yr 4 mos
Plymouth, MN

Responsible for Precision Weapons business segment within Armament Systems Division, Orbital ATK.

US Army Major General (Retired)
US Army
Dec 2016 – Feb 2017 • 3 mos

Deputy Director, Missile Defense Agency
Missile Defense Agency
Jul 2015 – Dec 2016 • 1 yr 6 mos
Washington D.C. Metro Area and Huntsville, AL

Served as Deputy Director of the Missile Defense Agency which has responsibility for the execution of $8B/year for the development and fielding of the DoD Ballistic Missile Defense System (BMDS) with 10 major component programs to provide critically needed missile defense capabilities for the US and our Allies.

Program Executive Officer
Missile Defense Agency
Sep 2012 – Jul 2015 • 2 yrs 11 mos
Huntsville, Alabama Area

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over $3B/year.

Army Program Executive Officer
US Army
Sep 2010 – Sep 2012 • 2 yrs 1 mo
Huntsville, Alabama Area

Responsible for the successful execution of seven major Army programs and multiple other programs - supervising the efforts of over 2000 people and the execution of over $3B/year to provide missile based offensive and defensive weapons systems to include: ground vehicle based launchers, precision missiles, associated command and control, and radar systems.

Project Manager, Combat Ammunition Systems
US Army
Jul 2005 – Aug 2009 • 4 yrs 2 mos
Picatinny Arsenal, NJ

Responsible for the development, production, and deployment activities for over 50 Army and Marine indirect fire munitions and mortar systems programs. Supervised over 300 people & the execution of over $800M/year.

US Army Officer
US Army
Jun 1982 – Jun 2005 • 23 yrs 1 mo

Multiple operational and acquisition related positions in the US Army.

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Education

The United States Naval Postgraduate School
Master's Degree, Mechanical Engineering
1991 – 1993

Masters Degree in Mechanical Engineering

United States Military Academy at West Point
Bachelor's Degree, Engineering
1978 – 1982

BS degree

Skills & Endorsements

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