



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL JOHN G. PAYNE

Colonel John G. Payne serves as Director, Air Force Complaints Resolution Directorate, Secretary of the Air Force Inspector General. In this capacity Col Payne develops and implements Air Force Fraud, Waste and Abuse prevention policy and executes the Inspector General Complaints Resolution program through coordination with all Air Force and appropriate Department of Defense and Service Inspectors General staffs. Additionally, Col Payne is responsible for evaluating investigative findings to identify systemic problems and staffs corrective actions to the Secretary of the Air Force and Air Force Chief of Staff.

Colonel Payne received his commission and earned a Bachelors of Science Degree in Engineering from the U. S. Air Force Academy in 1988. Upon graduation from Undergraduate Pilot Training, Colonel Payne was selected to fly the KC-135 Stratotanker. He served as an Instructor Pilot, Special Operations Flight Commander, and Group Chief of Mobility before becoming a Wing Executive Officer. Later, he was



selected to attend Air Mobility Command's Advanced Study of Air Mobility course where he was awarded a masters degree in Air Mobility from the Air Force Institute of Technology. Colonel Payne then served at the Pentagon as Chief, Mobility Program Integration. There he was responsible for integrating, evaluating and analyzing over \$463 billion in Air Force programs across the Future Years Defense Program. Upon returning to fly, Colonel Payne was selected to cross-flow into the C-5 Galaxy, where he commanded the 22d Airlift Squadron and served as the Deputy Commander, 60th Operations Group. From there Col Payne was selected to attend National War College. Upon graduation, Col Payne was assigned to USTRANSCOM where he was responsible for operations supporting CENTCOM, EUCOM, SOCOM and AFRICOM. Prior to assuming his current position, he served as the vice commander, 615th Contingency Response Wing. Colonel Payne is a command pilot with more than 3,000 flying hours.

EDUCATION

1988 Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering, United States Air Force Academy, Colo.

1995 Squadron Officer School in correspondence

1999 Masters of Business Administration, Webster University, Mo.

2000 Masters of Air Mobility, Air Force Institute of Technology, Ft Dix, N.J.

2003 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2008 National War College, Ft Lesley J. McNair, Washington, DC

ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. August 1988 September 1989, student pilot, 47th Flying Training Squadron, Laughlin AFB, TX
- 2. October 1989 March 1990, KC-135 Initial Qualification, Castle AFB, CA
- 3. March 1990 April 1991, pilot, 310th Air Refueling Squadron, Plattsburgh AFB, N.Y.
- 4. April 1991 February 1993, pilot flight examiner, 380th Air Refueling Squadron, Plattsburgh AFB, N.Y.
- 5. February 1993 October 1994, aircraft commander, 380th Air Refueling Squadron, Plattsburgh AFB, N.Y.
- 6. October 1994 July 1995, senior aircraft commander, 350th Air Refueling Squadron, McConnell AFB, KS
- 7. July 1995 December 1995, chief of mobility, 22d Operations Group, McConnell AFB, KS
- 8. January 1996 May 1998, special operations flight commander, 22d Operations Group, McConnell AFB, KS
- 9. May 1998 May 1999, executive officer, 22d Air Refueling Wing, McConnell AFB, KS
- 10. May 1999 February 2000, student, Advanced Study of Air Mobility, Air Mobility Warfare Center, Ft Dix, N.J.

- 11. February 2000 August 2002, chief, Mobility Program Integration, Pentagon, Washington D.C.
- 12. August 2002 July 2003, student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL.
- 13. July 2003 April 2004, assistant director of operations, 22d Airlift Squadron, Travis AFB, CA.
- 14. April 2004 January 2005, operations officer, 22d Airlift Squadron, Travis AFB, CA
- 15. January 2005 February 2007, commander, 22d Airlift Squadron, Travis AFB, CA
- 16. February 2007 July 2007, deputy commander, 60th Operations Group, Travis AFB, CA
- 17. July 2007 June 2008, student, National War College, Ft Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C
- 18. June 2008 September 2010, chief, East Division (J3), USTRANSCOM, Scott AFB, II
- 19. September 2010 June 2012, vice commander, 615th Contingency Response Wing, Travis AFB, CA
- 20. June 2012 June 2014, Senior Official Inquiries Officer, Secretary of the Air Force Inspector General's Office, Pentagon, Washington D.C.
- 21. June 2014 Present, Director, AF Compliants Resolution Directorate, Secretary of the Air Force Inspector General's Office, Pentagon, Washington D.C.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot Flight Hours: More than 3,000

Aircraft Flown: T-37, T-38, KC-135, C-5 and KC-10

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal Legion of Merit Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters Air Medal Aerial Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters Air Force Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant June 1, 1988
First Lieutenant June 1, 1990
Captain June 1, 1992
Major October 1, 1999
Lieutenant Colonel March 1, 2004
Colonel July 1, 2009