



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL JUSTIN A. LONGMIRE

Colonel Justin A. Longmire serves as the Vice Commandant, Squadron Officer School, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. Every year, the school educates approximately 3,500 USAF captains, civilians, and international officers to think, communicate, cooperate, and lead in the joint environment. The school's team of military and civilian faculty develop and teach the Professional Military Education curriculum that begins the student's preparation to serve as senior Air Force leaders.

Colonel Longmire is a 2001 graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy. Since then he has completed a variety of command and operational assignments in the C-5 and KC-10 aircraft, as well as Air Operations Center and Contingency Response units, he has served on the staff of the Inspector General, Headquarters, United States Air Force, and as a leadership course director in Air Education and Training Command. Prior to his current assignment, he served as the Air Force Division Chief, United States Military Training Mission to Saudi Arabia. In this capacity, he served as professional advisor to the Commander of the Royal Saudi Air Force and directed 42 billion dollars of foreign military sales and security cooperation activities between the United States and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.



Colonel Longmire is a command pilot with more than 4,000 hours flying the C-5 Galaxy and KC-10 Extender. He has over 100 combat sorties, and has deployed multiple times in support of Operations ALLIES REFUGE, ENDURING FREEDOM, FREEDOM'S SENTINEL, INHERENT RESOLVE, IRAQI FREEDOM, and UNIFIED RESPONSE.

Colonel Longmire is married to the former Laura Backlund of San Antonio, Texas. They have three sons: Charles, William, and Matthew.

EDUCATION

2001 Bachelor of Science, Engineering, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, CO
2006 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL
2011 Master of Aviation Science, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, FL
2015 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL
2019 Master of Strategic Studies, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL
2019 Academic Instructor Course, Air Education and Training Command, Maxwell AFB, AL
2020 Executive Leadership Coaching Certificate, University of San Diego, CA

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Aug 2001 – Sep 2002; Student, pilot training, Laughlin AFB, TX
2. Jan 2003 – May 2006; C-5 Aircraft Commander, 9th Airlift Squadron, Dover AFB, DE
3. Oct 2006 – Aug 2008; KC-10 Instructor Pilot, Flight Commander, 9th Air Refueling Squadron, Travis AFB, CA
4. Aug 2008 – Jul 2009; Chief, KC-10 Aircrew Training, Formal Training Unit Instructor Pilot, 60th Operations Support Squadron, Travis AFB, CA
5. Jul 2009 – May 2010; Phoenix Mobility Intern, 15th Air Mobility Operations Squadron, Travis AFB, CA (Jan 2010 – Mar 2010, Chief, Haiti Flight Operations Coordination Center, 612th Air and Space Operations Center, Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ)
6. May 2010 – Jun 2011; Operations Officer, 571st Global Mobility Readiness Squadron, Travis AFB, CA
7. Jun 2011 – Jul 2012; Chief, Wing Operations Center, 615th Contingency Response Wing, Travis AFB, CA
8. Jul 2012 – Jul 2014; Chief, Policy Integration, and Intelligence Oversight Panel Coordinator, Inspections Directorate, Office of The Inspector General, Headquarters United States Air Force, Washington D.C.
9. Jul 2014 – Jun 2015; Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, AL
10. Jun 2015 – Apr 2016; Operations Officer, 9th Air Refueling Squadron, Travis AFB, CA
11. Apr 2016 – Jun 2018; Commander, 6th Air Refueling Squadron, Travis AFB, CA
12. July 2018 – May 2019; Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL
13. May 2019 – June 2021; Course Director, CSAF Leader Development Course for Squadron Command, Air University, Maxwell AFB, AL
14. June 2021 – July 2022; Chief, Air Force Division, US Military Training Mission, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
15. July 2022 – present; Vice Commandant, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. June 2021 – July 2022; Chief, Air Force Division, US Military Training Mission, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, as a colonel

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: 4,100

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-1A, C-5 A/B, KC-10A

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal
Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters
Aerial Achievement Medal
Joint Service Commendation Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal with five oak leaf clusters
Humanitarian Service Medal with two service stars
State Department Meritorious Honor Award

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant	May 2001
First Lieutenant	May 2003
Captain	May 2005
Major	April 2011
Lieutenant Colonel	January 2016
Colonel	August 2021

PUBLICATIONS

“Setting Standards: The Genesis of AFI 1-2,” The Inspector General Brief, Vol 66, no 6, December 2014.

“Learning Negotiations for Leaders: Why More Realistic, Command-Context Practice is Needed Before Command,” Journal of Military Conflict Transformation, Vol 3, no 1, May 2022.

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