



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL MICHAEL D. HOLMES

Colonel Michael D. Holmes is the Vice Commander of the 181st Intelligence Wing, Indiana Air National Guard, Terre Haute, Indiana.

Col Holmes entered military service in the USAF in 1990 serving as an Intelligence Operations Specialist on Active Duty supporting numerous named operations and exercises. In 1994, he joined the Indiana Air National Guard, 181st Operations Support Flight, 181st Operations Group, 181st Fighter Wing, continuing to serve as an Intelligence Operations Specialist in support of F-16C operations. In 1997, Col Holmes was commissioned as a 2d Lieutenant and became an Intelligence Officer supporting F-16C operations. Thereafter, Col Holmes deployed several times in support of Operations NORTHERN WATCH, IRAQI FREEDOM, and ENDURING FREEDOM as well as other named operations and exercises. In 2008, Col Holmes became a full-time Guardsman and was the 1st Director of Operations at DGS-IN standing up operations. Concurrently, Col Holmes was the T-10 Detachment Commander at DGS-IN. Col Holmes qualified as a combat mission ready UAV and U-2 Mission Operation Commander (MOC) as well as an Instructor Rated Operator (IRO). In 2013, Col Holmes deployed serving as the U-2 LNO at the AFCENT CAOC, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar. In early 2015, Col Holmes was appointed as the Commander, 181st Operations Support Squadron. Later in 2015, Col Holmes was appointed as the Commander of the 137th Intelligence Squadron. In May 2017, Col Holmes was appointed as the Commander, 181st Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Group. Col Holmes attended Air War College at Maxwell AFB, AL, from July 2016 – May 2017. Col Holmes assumed his present position in Apr 2019.



EDUCATION

1992 Bachelor of Science, Political Science/History, University of Md.

1994 Associate of Science, Communication, Community College of the Air Force 1997 Academy of Military Science, McGee Tyson ANGB, Tenn.

2004 Squadron Officer School (Correspondence), Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2009 Air Command and Staff College (Correspondence), Maxwell AFB, Ala. 2014 Air War College (Correspondence), Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2017 Master of Strategic Studies, Air University, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1990–September 1991: Intelligence Analyst, 496th Reconnaissance Tech Sqdn, RAF Alconbury, U.K.
2. September 1991–September 1992: Intelligence Analyst, EUCOM Joint Analysis Center, RAF Molesworth, U.K.
3. September 1993–July 1994: Intelligence Specialist, 337th Bomb Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas
4. August 1994–January 1997: Intelligence Specialist, 181st Operations Support Flight, Hulman Field ANGB, Ind.
5. February 1997–August 2001: OIC Targeting/MPC, 181st Operations Support Flight, Hulman Field ANGB, Ind.
6. August 2001–April 2008: Deputy Chief, Intelligence, 181st Operations Support Flt, Hulman Field ANGB, Ind.
7. April 2008–December 2012: Director of Operations, 137th Intelligence Squadron, Hulman Field ANGB, Ind.
8. September 2008–April 2010: Detachment Commander (T-10), Det 181st IW, Hulman Field ANGB, Ind.
9. January 2013–April 2013: U-2 LNO, AFCENT CAOC, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar
10. April 2013–January 2015: Director of Operations, 137th Intelligence Squadron, Hulman Field ANGB, Ind.
11. February 2015–June 2015: Commander, 181st Operations Support Squadron, Hulman Field ANGB, Ind.
12. July 2015–July 2016: Commander, 137th Intelligence Squadron, Hulman Field ANGB, Ind.
13. July 2016–May 2017: Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
14. May 2017–April 2019: Commander, 181st ISR Group, Hulman Field ANGB, Ind.

ASSIGNMENTS CON'T

15. April 2019–Present: Vice Commander, Hulman Field ANGB, Ind.

MAJOR DECORATIONS AND AWARDS

Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with two devices Air Force

Commendation Medal with one device

Air Force Achievement Medal with one device

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

National Guard Association of the United States – Life Member National Guard Association
of Indiana – Life Member

Air Force Association

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman First Class Apr. 20, 1990

Senior Airman Aug. 20, 1992

Staff Sergeant Jan. 15, 1995

Second Lieutenant Feb. 28, 1997

First Lieutenant Feb. 27, 1999

Captain Mar. 11, 2001

Major Mar. 15, 2005

Lieutenant Colonel Apr. 5, 2009

Colonel May 15, 2017

(Current as of April 2019)