



U.S. ARMY



PROGRAM EXECUTIVE OFFICE COMBAT SUPPORT & COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT

Mr. Ross R. Guckert **Deputy Program Executive Officer** **Combat Support & Combat Service Support**



Mr. Guckert received his appointment to the Senior Executive Service in January 2017, when he assumed the duties of Deputy Program Executive Officer for Combat Support & Combat Service Support. In this role, he supports the Program Executive Officer in leading the development, integration, testing, acquisition, fielding, sustainment, and modernization of more than 250 diverse programs of record. This portfolio spans the Army's transportation, quartermaster, ordnance, and engineer portfolios, including the Joint Light Tactical Vehicle, Mine Resistant Ambush Protected vehicles, Army watercraft, contingency basing, robotic & autonomous systems, and numerous other key force enablers.

Prior to this assignment, Mr. Guckert served as the acting Deputy Program Executive Officer for Aviation from January - December 2016. In this capacity, he served as the senior civilian overseeing twelve Major Defense Acquisition Programs to include Blackhawk, Apache, Chinook and Gray Eagle, as well as modernization efforts for the Army's aviation fleet. Mr. Guckert was assigned previously as the acting Deputy Program Executive Officer for Soldier from August to December 2012, where he served as the senior civilian overseeing the portfolio of all items a Soldier wears or carries onto the battlefield, to include body armor, combat uniforms, night vision devices, and individual/crew-served weapons.

While assigned to the Pentagon from June 2008 to December 2015, Mr. Guckert served in a number of positions in the office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology. As the Assistant Deputy for Acquisition & Systems Management, he led a large cadre of military, civilian and contractor personnel supporting the Army Acquisition Executive in providing oversight across the Army's acquisition portfolio of approximately 700 programs. Additionally while assigned there, he was asked to serve as the Army's first Chief Systems Engineer in the role of Director, System of Systems Engineering and Integration. In this capacity he established a world-class engineering analysis capability and delivered the first authoritative architectures for the Army's Capability Sets.

Mr. Guckert's previous positions include the Director for Systems Integration at the Program Executive Office for Soldier; Special Advisor to the Army Science Board; author of the Military Deputy's Campaign Plan; Department of the Army Systems Coordinator for the Patriot Missile System; Army lead for the Secretary of Defense Civilian Workforce of the Future Task Force; and more than 10 years in various engineering positions within the U.S. Army Communications and Electronics Command's Night Vision and Electronic Sensors Directorate.

Mr. Guckert holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Pittsburgh and a master's degree in engineering management from George Washington University. He is also a graduate of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces (Senior Service College), the Army's Competitive Development Group, Harvard's Leadership Series and Senior Executive Fellows Program, Defense Acquisition University's Advanced Program Management Course, U.S. Army Communications and Electronics Command Civilian Leadership Development Program, Darden's Executive Leadership Program, Personnel Management for Executives, and Organizational Leadership for Executives.

As a member of the Army Acquisition Corps, Mr. Guckert is certified in Program Management; Science & Technology Management; Systems Planning, Research, Development and Engineering; and Test & Evaluation.

