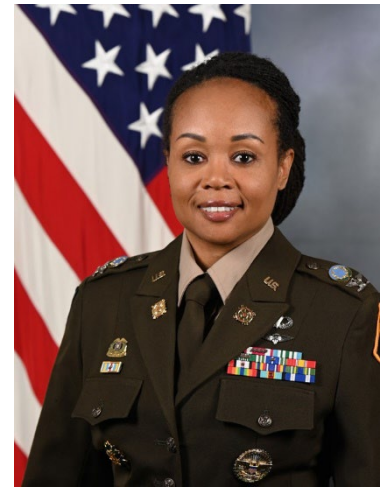


COL Laverne O. Amara

Project Manager, Expeditionary Energy & Sustainment Systems
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COL Amara became Project Manager, Expeditionary Energy & Sustainment Systems in June 2023. In this role, she leads the Acquisition team charged with providing integrated, scalable, and affordable expeditionary energy, force sustainment, and contingency-basing capabilities that reduce Warfighter sustainment demand across the range of Joint operations. The PM is chartered as the Department of Defense Lead Standardization Activity responsible for providing a modernized family of mobile electric generator sets for all U.S. Armed Services. The team continues to expand its role in the Army as a lead integrator of operational energy solutions across multiple combat support systems.



COL Amara is a native of Liberty, New York, and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Quartermaster Corps in 1999. Her education includes a Bachelor of Science Degree from South Carolina State University in Psychology; a Master of Arts Degree in Public Administration from Webster University; and a Master of Science Degree in National Resource Strategy from the National Defense University. COL Amara is Level III certified in Program Management, Level II certified in Contracting, and is a certified member of the United States Army Acquisition Corps. She is Program Management Professional (PMP) and Scrum Master certified.

COL Amara's prior assignments include Rigger Platoon Leader, 623rd Quartermaster Company, 264th Corps Support Battalion, Fort Bragg, NC; Executive Officer, 503rd Maintenance Company, 264th Corps Support Battalion, Fort Bragg, NC; Deputy Secretary General Staff, 1st Corps Support Command, Fort Bragg, NC; Supply and Services Officer, 23rd Area Support Group, Camp Humphries, Republic of Korea; Petroleum Officer, Eighth United States Army, Republic of Korea; and Company Commander, HHC, 88th Brigade Support Battalion, Fort Polk, LA.

In 2009, COL Amara transitioned to the Army Acquisition Corps. She served as a Contingency Contracting Officer, 621st Contingency Contracting Team, 412th Contracting Support Brigade, Fort Campbell, KY; Assistant Program Manager for both the Initial Issue Clothing and Nuclear Biological and Chemical/Load Carriage portfolios within Program Executive Officer Soldier, Fort Belvoir, VA; Department of the Army Systems Coordinator, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology; and Acquisition Advisor to the 35th Vice Chief of Staff Army, Headquarters Department of the Army. COL Amara was selected as a Training with Industry (TWI) Fellow with Microsoft Corporation in Reston, VA. Prior to her assignment as the Senior Military Assistant for the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, she served as the Product Manager for the Integrated Personnel and Pay System-Army (IPPS-A), Increment II, Program Executive Officer Enterprise Information Systems. Prior to her current assignment, COL Amara served as the Chief of Staff for the Deputy Director of the Army's Rapid Capabilities and Critical Technologies Office, Fort Belvoir, VA.

Her awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal with a Silver Oak Leaf Cluster, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Achievement Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Medal, the Secretary of Defense Identification Badge, the Army Staff Identification Badge, and the Parachutist and Rigger Badges.