

## Leland “Kent” Shea

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Mr. Shea is the Product Manager, Robotic and Autonomous Systems, responsible for seven ACAT III and one ACAT IV Programs of Record at various stages of the acquisition life cycle supporting Army initiatives to protect Soldiers and make units more mobile and lethal.

He entered service in the Army in 1996 as a military policeman. In 2000, he graduated Summa Cum Laude from Western Michigan University and was commissioned as a Distinguished Military Graduate in the Signal Corps via the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps. He completed the Signal Officer Captain’s Career Course in 2003 and Combined Arms Services Staff School in 2004. He has served in a variety of leadership and command assignments, and has deployed in support of Stabilization Force, Bosnia-Herzegovina; Operation Enduring Freedom, Bagram, Afghanistan; and Operation Iraqi Freedom Baghdad, Iraq. He completed an overseas short tour in Seoul, Korea; and has participated in numerous Joint exercises, including Operation Bright Star, Egypt.



After leaving the active-duty Army in 2005, Mr. Shea began his civilian career as an Associate for Booz Allen Hamilton. In 2006, he continued his military career by entering the Air Force Reserve via an inter-service transfer, and is currently a Colonel in the Air Force Reserve assigned to First Air Force, Tyndall Air Force Base, FL. He completed Air Command and Staff College in 2014 and Air War College in 2017. Following his time in industry, Mr. Shea became a Department of the Army Civilian in 2007, serving as an Information Technology Specialist. In 2017, he transitioned to the Program Management career field.

His acquisition assignments include serving as a team lead in Program Manager, Future Combat Systems; Associate Director in Program Manager, Future Combat Systems, Program Executive Office, Integration and System of Systems Integration Directorate. Additionally, he served as the Executive Officer for Program Executive Office, Combat Support and Combat Service Support and as Program Officer for Product Manager, Heavy Tactical Vehicles.

He holds a Master of Business Administration from The University of Michigan-Dearborn and a Master of Science in Global Leadership and Management from Lawrence Technological University. He is a member of the Army Acquisition Corps and is Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act Certified Advanced in Program Management, and is a Certified Practitioner in Engineering and Technical Management. He is a graduate of the Defense Acquisition University’s Senior Service College Fellowship.

His civilian awards and decorations include the Meritorious Civilian Service Award and Commander’s Award for Civilian Service. Additionally, the National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA), Tactical Wheeled Vehicles Division selected his Heavy Tactical Vehicles team as the recipient of the 2021 Red Ball Express Award – Government category.

His military awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal; Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters; Joint Service Commendation Medal; Air and Space Commendation Medal; Army Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters; Army Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters; Navy Presidential Unit Citation; Air and Space Outstanding Unit Award with one oak leaf cluster; National Defense Service Medal; Afghanistan Campaign Medal with one service star; Iraq Campaign Medal with one service star; Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Korean Defense Service Medal; Armed Forces Service Medal; Air and Space Longevity Service Award with four oak leaf clusters; Army Service Ribbon; and NATO Medal.

