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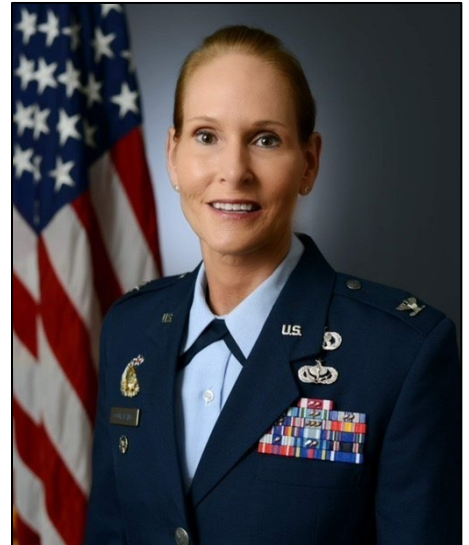


## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### COLONEL KELLIE S. COURTLAND

Colonel Kellie S. Courtland is the Military Deputy for the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Logistics assigned to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C. She directly supports the Department's logistics strategy and policy for supply, storage, distribution, property, equipment, transportation, and operational contract support; in addition to program oversight for a portfolio consisting of \$100 billion of inventory and \$2 billion in airlift and transportation programs. Prior to her current position, Colonel Courtland was a student at National Defense University, Ft McNair, Washington, D.C.

Colonel Courtland's assignments include, Director of the Commander's Action Group for Air Force Global Strike Command at Barksdale AFB, Louisiana, where she led an elite team providing direct support to the Commander of Air Force Global Strike Command as the chief strategist for 31,000 members. She also served as the Commander of the 379th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron at Al Udeid AB, Qatar; the Commander of the 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron at Whiteman AFB, Missouri; and as the Defense Legislative Fellow for U.S. Senator Roy Blunt, Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C.



Colonel Courtland was born in Ludington, MI. She enlisted in the Air Force in 1990 as a Services Specialist and was commissioned in 2002 through Officer Training School. She received an undergraduate degree from Wayland Baptist University, master's degrees from the University of Oklahoma and the National Defense University, and a Graduate Certificate in Supply Chain Management from Penn State University. She is certified as a Level II Life Cycle Logistician and Level I Program Manager through the Defense Acquisition University.

#### **EDUCATION:**

- 2000 Bachelor of Psychology in Industrial / Personnel Human Relations; Wayland Baptist University, Texas
- 2002 Officer Training School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama
- 2003 Air and Space Basic Course, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama
- 2003 Logistics Readiness Officer Basic Course, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
- 2007 Master of Liberal Studies in Administrative Leadership, University of Oklahoma
- 2007 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama
- 2010 Graduate Certificate in Supply Chain Management, Penn State University
- 2012 Air Command and Staff College, Correspondence
- 2012 Advanced Logistics Readiness Officers Course, Ft Dix, New Jersey
- 2015 Legislative Fellowship, Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C
- 2021 Master of Science in National Resource Strategy, The Eisenhower School, National Defense University, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.

**ASSIGNMENTS:**

1. June 2002 – June 2003, War Readiness Element Officer in Charge, 86th Logistics Readiness Squadron; Ramstein Air Base, Germany
2. June 2003 – June 2004, Air Terminal Operations Center Duty Officer, 723d Air Mobility Squadron, Ramstein AB, Germany
3. July 2004 – July 2005, Sub Area Petroleum Office & Installation Food Servicer Officer in Charge, 612th Air Base Squadron; Soto Cano AB, Honduras
4. July 2005 – July 2006, Operations Flight Commander, 737th Training Support Squadron, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
5. July 2006 – July 2007, Field Training Flight Commander, 737th Training Support Squadron, Lackland AFB, Texas
6. July 2007 – July 2008, Executive Officer to the Commander, 37th Training Wing, Lackland AFB, Texas
7. July 2008 – July 2009, Installation Deployment Officer; 379th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron, Al Udeid AB, Qatar
8. July 2009 – July 2011, Logistics Career Broadening Officer, Defense Logistics Agency Aviation, Richmond, Virginia
9. July 2011 – April 2012, Chief, Manpower & Organizations Branch, Directorate of Logistics, Headquarters Air Force; Washington, D.C.
10. April 2012 – May 2012, Student, Advanced Logistics Readiness Officers Course, Fort Dix, New Jersey
11. May 2012 – July 2013, Chief, Logistics Functional Area Manager, Headquarters Air Force, Washington, D.C.
12. July 2013 – May 2015, Defense Legislative Fellow assigned to Senator Roy Blunt, Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C.
13. June 2015 – June 2017, Commander, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Whiteman AFB, Missouri
14. June 2017 – June 2019, Commander, 379th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron, Al Udeid AB, Qatar
15. July 2019 – July 2021, Director, Commander's Action Group, Air Force Global Strike Command, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana
16. July 2021 – July 2022, student, The Eisenhower School, National Defense University, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.
17. July 2022 – to Present, Military Deputy for the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Logistics, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Washington D.C.

**MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:**

Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf cluster  
Joint Service Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Joint Service Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster  
Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters  
Air Force Good Conduct Medal with three oak leaf clusters

**EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:**

Second Lieutenant – May 24, 2002  
First Lieutenant – May 24, 2004  
Captain – May 24, 2006  
Major – March 1, 2012  
Lieutenant Colonel – February 1, 2017  
Colonel – April 1, 2023  
(Current as of December 2023)