



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL JAMES C. MACH, JR.

Colonel James C. Mach, Jr. is the Commander, 927th Operations Group, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. He is responsible to the 927th Air Refueling Wing Commander for enabling Air Force Reserve Command priority missions and accomplishing the assigned Air Mobility Command missions of aerial refueling and aeromedical evacuation in support of Combatant Commanders' global requirements and select allied nations.

Commissioned through the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps at the University of Cincinnati, Colonel Mach served as a KC-135R/T/RT evaluator pilot and C-17A instructor pilot flying more than 900 combat hours during six Southwest Asia deployments to include supporting Operations SOUTHERN WATCH, IRAQI FREEDOM, ENDURING FREEDOM, and commanding the 22d Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron, Transit Center at Manas, Kyrgyz Republic. He has served in a variety of leadership positions from squadron-level to Headquarters U.S. Air Force and Headquarters U.S. Transportation Command. Combined, Colonel Mach's experience has provided him with a breadth and depth of knowledge necessary to support Joint Force and U.S. Air Force strategic, operational, and tactical requirements.



EDUCATION

- 1997: Bachelor of Science in Architectural Engineering, University of Cincinnati, OH
- 2002: Squadron Officers School, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
- 2005: Masters of Business Administration, Management, Touro University International, Cypress, CA
- 2007: Air Command and Staff College, Correspondence, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
- 2010: Army Command and General Staff College, Correspondence, Fort Leavenworth, KS
- 2010: Air Force Fellowship, Joint Mobility Intern, Residence, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL, with duties at Scott Air Force Base, IL
- 2012: Joint Forces Staff College, Joint Professional Military Education II, NSA Norfolk, VA
- 2012: Air War College, Correspondence, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL
- 2016: Masters of National Security and Strategic Studies, Naval War College, Residence, NS Newport, RI

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Jul 97 - Mar 98, Chief Awards & Decorations, Information Management officer, 2d Airlift Squadron, Pope AFB, NC
2. Mar 98 - Apr 99, Student pilot, 14th Flying Training Wing, Columbus AFB, MS
3. Jul 99 - Jul 02, KC-135R copilot and pilot, 91st Air Refueling Squadron, MacDill AFB, FL
4. Aug 02 - Mar 06, KC-135R/T/RT Evaluator Pilot, 22d Air Refueling Wing, McConnell AFB, KS
5. Mar 06 - Jun 09, C-17A Instructor Pilot, 437th Operations Group, Charleston AFB, SC
6. Jul 09 - Jul 10, Air Force Fellow, Joint Mobility Intern Program, HQ AMC, Scott AFB, IL
7. Jul 10 - Apr 11, Special Action Officer, Commander's Action Group, HQ AMC, Scott AFB, IL
8. Apr 11 - Apr 13, Deputy Branch Chief, Airlift Programs, USTRANSCOM, Scott AFB, IL
9. Apr 13 - Mar 14, Commander, 22d Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron, Transit Center at Manas, Kyrgyz Republic
10. Mar 14 - Jun 14, Branch Chief, Airlift Programs, USTRANSCOM, Scott AFB, IL
11. Jun 14 - Jul 15, Chief, Commander's Action Group, HQ AMC, Scott AFB, IL
12. Jul 15 - Jun 16, Student, Naval War College, NS Newport, RI

13. Jul 16 – Jun 18, Chief, Global Operations Division, AF CHECKMATE, HQ USAF, Washington DC
14. Jul 18 – Jun 19, Chief, Mobility Air Forces Division, HQ USAF, Washington DC
15. Jul 19 – Present, Commander, 927th Operations Group, MacDill AFB, FL

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: Over 3,700 (over 900 combat)

Aircraft Flown: T-37, T-1, KC-135R/T/RT, C-17A

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Legion of Merit

Bronze Star Medal

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with five oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal

Air Force Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Meritorious Unit Award with one oak leaf cluster

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with four oak leaf clusters

Combat Readiness Medal with two oak leaf clusters

National Defense Service Medal

Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal

Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant Jun 1997

First Lieutenant Jun 1999

Captain Jun 2001

Major Apr 2007

Lieutenant Colonel Jul 2012

Colonel Nov 2018

(Current as of Jul 2019)