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BG Ed Barker, Deputy Program Executive Officer



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Brigadier General Ed Barker currently serves as the Deputy Program Executive Officer for Intelligence, Electronic Warfare and Sensors (PEO IEW&S). In this capacity he assists the PEO for IEW&S in providing technical and managerial oversight of the development, acquisition, fielding, and life cycle support of the Army's portfolio of intelligence; electronic warfare; cyber; integrated base defense; force protection; position, navigation and timing; biometrics; and target acquisition programs.

Prior to his position at PEO IEW&S, Brigadier General Barker served as the Chief of Staff to the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology (ASAALT) and assisted the ASAALT in the overall supervision

of acquisition, logistics and technology matters of the Army.

Prior to his assignment at ASAALT, Brigadier General Barker served as the Assistant PEO Enterprise Information Systems (PEO EIS) and oversaw the integration of the Army's Enterprise Resource Planning systems along with all cloud and data efforts for the PEO. Brigadier General Barker was the Project Manager for Soldier Warrior at PEO Soldier from 2015 to 2018, where he oversaw the acquisition of integrated systems that increase Soldiers' situational awareness and combat effectiveness.

A native of Minford, Ohio, Brigadier General Barker enlisted in the Army in 1988 as an artillery forward observer at Fort Hood, Texas. During his enlistment, he was awarded an ROTC scholarship and attended Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia. Upon graduating in 1992, he was commissioned as an Infantry Officer and returned to Fort Hood to serve with the 2nd Battalion, 5th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division in a range of assignments. In 1998, Barker was assigned to Fort Gordon, Georgia, and served as a member the 513th Military Intelligence Brigade where he commanded A Company, 297th Military Intelligence Battalion.

Brigadier General Barker joined the Army Acquisition Corps in 2000 and was selected for Advanced Civil Schooling. In July 2001 he served as a contracting officer for the Defense Supply Center in Columbus, Ohio. In 2004, he was selected to serve as the Director of Contracting and competition advocate with the U.S. Army Office of Military Support. In this capacity, he dedicated his efforts to support the nation's most sensitive activities in the war on terrorism and other contingency operations worldwide. In 2010, Barker served as the Product Manager for Tactical Applications with the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) and provided assured access from the nation's spaced-based intelligence and communication architecture. During this time he deployed as the Mission Commander for a joint NRO/NASA mission that assured access to information supporting the U.S.'s most sensitive missions. Barker assumed duties as the Executive Officer to the ASAALT in July 2013, where he advised and assisted the ASAALT in the management of the Army's multi-billion dollar material enterprise.

Barker's awards include the Legion of Merit with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, Defense Meritorious Service Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Meritorious Service Medal with Oak Leaf, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal



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with Bronze Service Star, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Valorous Unit Award, Army Service Ribbon, NATO Medal, Expert Infantryman's Badge and Parachutist's Badge. He has completed the Infantry Officer Basic Course, Military Intelligence Advanced Courses and attended the Army Command and General Staff College and the Senior Service College at the Eisenhower School. He holds a Bachelor of Business Administration from Marshall University and a Master of Science in Management with an emphasis in Contracting and Industrial Procurement from the Florida Institute of Technology. He also holds a Master of Science in National Resource Strategy from the Eisenhower School. He is Level III certified in Contracting and Program Management.

