



James Griffith Operations (A)

Jim Griffith serves as the Deputy Director of Operations, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency. In this capacity, Mr. Griffith assists in exercising an exceptionally wide and complex range of responsibilities, including oversight for the execution of mission and operations for NGA across the Intelligence Community (IC), Department of Defense (DoD), alliances, and partnerships. He coordinates and synchronizes operational collections and requirements, planning, and worldwide management, to include directing analytic capabilities and ensuring geospatial data are accessible and discoverable for users and customers; prioritizes assets to oversee crisis management, deployment of personnel, capabilities, and additional mission and operational activities; and coordinates daily geospatial intelligence (GEOINT) operations to enable the success of NGA's customers. Mr. Griffith assists in the oversight of daily GEOINT operations of the agency; analytical products and GEOINT tradecraft; collection and foundation GEOINT; expeditionary operations and Service mentorship and training; daily interaction with the OSD, Joint Staff, and other Pentagon customers; disclosure and release support to Combatant Commands and agencies, interaction with international partners, and support of Global System of GEOINT Operations; and provisioning of online, on-demand access of GEOINT content, knowledge, data, and services to the Agency's customers.



Mr. Griffith also serves as the Director of the NGA Operations Center. In this position, Mr. Griffith leads a diverse team of civilian, military, and contractor personnel to provide global situational awareness and time-sensitive GEOINT to support continuous operations and enable decision-advantage for NGA leadership and mission partners with a focus on actions that address crisis issues.

Prior to these assignments, Mr. Griffith served in several leadership positions across NGA to include Deputy Director, Service Implementation Group, IT Services Directorate, where he assisted in the management, development, procurement, and deployment of integrated IT capabilities and services for the GEOINT community, to include international partners; Deputy Director, Vision Integration Team, supporting the Director in facilitating the coordination, integration, and synchronization of activities realizing the NGA Vision and Strategic Objectives; Director, Office of Special Programs, Analysis and Production Directorate, where he oversaw acquisition and operations programs to deliver sensitive GEOINT to the intelligence community; and Deputy Director, Office of Geospatial Intelligence Management, where he led the Functional Management staff for the Director of NGA, chaired a multiple-agency board to provide guidance on the development of strategic plans and programs for the GEOINT community, and led Secretary of Defense and Director of National Intelligence studies to evaluate programs and technologies to improve capabilities in support of DoD and IC requirements.

Before entering Federal Service, Mr. Griffith spent 24 years in the United States Air Force, where he served in various operations, acquisition, intelligence, and joint duty positions. His military awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal, Aerial Achievement Medal, Commendation Medal, and Achievement Medal. In 2010, Mr. Griffith was recognized as part of a team effort by the Deputy Director, Science and Technology, Central Intelligence Agency with a McCone Award.

Mr. Griffith graduated from the Air Force Academy with a Bachelor of Science in Military History. He also earned postgraduate degrees from the University of Phoenix, the United States Army Command and General Staff College, and the United States Air War College.

