



NGA NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL-INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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West Executive & Deputy Associate Director for Operations



Mr. Brett Markham is the West Executive (WX) and dual-hatted as the Deputy Associate Director for Operations. As WX, he represents the Director and Deputy Director at NGA's Campuses in St. Louis and assists with the integration of all activities across the West. He is responsible for coordination of enterprise, cross-cutting activities across all Agency key components in the West, and maintaining open communication between leadership and the workforce. As Deputy Associate Director for Operations, he provides direct oversight of the NGA Operations Center, the Office of NGA Defense, the Office of Expeditionary Operations and NGA leadership at the three NRO Aerospace Data Facilities. He coordinates and synchronizes operational collections and requirements, planning, and worldwide management, to include directing analytic capabilities, and ensuring geospatial data is accessible and discoverable for users and customers. He prioritizes assets to oversee crisis management, deployment of personnel, capabilities, and additional mission and operational activities.

Mr. Markham was commissioned in June 1983 through the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps program at Auburn University. He served in various analytic, staff and leadership positions over the course of his 28 year naval career that included five strategic deterrent patrols, three carrier deployments, and service at three Combatant Commands and the Joint Staff. He also served as the Deputy Director of Intelligence (DJ2) for North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) and United States Northern Command (USNORTHCOM) and as the Director of Intelligence (J2), United States Transportation Command.

Prior to his current assignment, Mr. Markham served as the Director of Analytic Operations (D/AO) in the Analysis Directorate. As such, he was the Senior NGA officer responsible for the integration, execution and transformation of GEOINT operations across Analysis Directorate offices and NGA Support Teams which encompassed over 3,000 personnel in 25 separate teams working all intelligence mission issues. Immediately prior to that assignment, he served as the Associate Deputy Director for Operational Engagement (ADD/AE) and was responsible for providing strategic, transformation-oriented leadership to all Analysis Directorate entities at partner locations, which included over 1,000 personnel located at 17 NGA Support Teams in other intelligence agencies, combatant commands, and service intelligence centers. He has also served as the Deputy Director of the NGA Operations Center.

Personal awards include the NGA Medallion for Excellence, DIA Director's Award, Defense Superior Service Medal (two awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal (two awards), and the Navy Achievement Medal.

Mr. Markham resides in the St. Louis, MO area with his wife Candace.