



Biography

DEFENSE COMMISSARY AGENCY
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Joel L. Lockhart **Director of Supply Chain**

Joel L. Lockhart is the director of the Supply Chain Directorate for the Defense Commissary Agency, headquartered at Fort Lee, Virginia, a position he has held since October 20, 2024. He previously held the position of director of the Logistics Directorate from March 12, 2023 to October 20, 2024.

As the agency's Supply Chain director, Mr. Lockhart manages and directs all operations affecting DeCA major components comprising of logistics and supply chain activities. He serves as the senior advisor to the Director/Chief Executive Officer and the Deputy Director/Chief Operating Officer on all matters involving DeCA's supply chain activities and the various support functions required to enable professional management of the commissary system. He exercises overall responsibility for logistics and supply chain accountability for the DOD Commissary system, Central Distribution Centers and Central Meat Processing Plant, representing over \$5 billion in annual sales, supporting nearly 235 commissaries in 13 countries, and 765 dedicated employees.



Mr. Lockhart has more than 35 years of combined military and civil service. Prior to his current assignment, he had served since September 2017 as senior supply management specialist in the Acquisition Logistics Policy and Programs Directorate, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Sustainment, ASA (ALT). There he was responsible for advising the ASA (ALT) leadership on strategies and resources necessary to execute supply management and property accountability policies, processes, and procedures.

From 2016 to 2017, Mr. Lockhart served as the contractor in support of the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-4, Logistics Innovation Agency, and the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Financial Management and Comptroller. Before his contracting assignment, he served in the civil service as the chief of the Logistics Enterprise Systems Division at the Combined Arms Support Command from January to July 2016.

Before retiring from the U.S. Army in 2015 as a chief warrant officer five, Mr. Lockhart served on active duty for over 26 years in a variety of tactical, operational and strategic-level assignments that included deployments to Panama, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iraq and Afghanistan.

He is the recipient of the Army Bronze Star, as well as numerous other DOD and Military Service Awards.

EDUCATION

2001, Bachelor of Science in Liberal Arts (Cum Laude), Excelsior College, Albany, New York

1995, Associates of Science in General Studies, Pikes Peak Community College, Pikes Peak, Colorado

CAREER CHRONOLOGY

2024 - Present, Director of Supply Chain, DeCA Headquarters, Fort Lee, Virginia (formerly Fort Gregg-Adams)

2023 - 2024 (March), Director of Logistics, DeCA Headquarters, Fort Gregg-Adams, Virginia

2017 - 2023, Senior Supply Management Specialist, Department of the Army, Washington, D.C.

2016 - 2017, Senior Logistics Business Process Analyst supporting Department of Army, Leidos, Inc., Richmond, Virginia

2016 - 2016, (January to July) Chief of the Logistics Enterprise Systems Division, Combined Arms Support Command, Fort Lee, Virginia

2015 - 2016, Business Process Reengineering Consultant supporting Department of the Army, Process Informatics Inc., Washington, D.C.

2015 - 2015, (April to September) Senior Logistics Business Process Analyst supporting Department of the Army, Leidos Inc., Richmond, VA.

1990 - 2015, Chief Warrant Officer 5, U.S. Army, various assignments

1989 - 1990, Receiving Manager, Lowe's, Opelika, Alabama
1987 - 1989, Unit Supply Specialist, U.S. Army, Fort Benning, Georgia

CERTIFICATIONS

Demonstrated Master Logistician, 2012
Level III, Lifecycle Logistics, Defense Acquisition University, 2019
Information Technology Life Cycle Credential, 2022

AWARDS AND HONORS

2023, Inducted into the US Army Quartermaster Hall of Fame
2023, Meritorious Civilian Service Medal
2021, Army Civilian Commendation Medal
2014, Army Legion of Merit
2003, Army Bronze Star Medal
1987-2015, Army Meritorious Service Medal (7)
1995, Joint Service Commendation Medal
1987-2015, Army Commendation Medal (6)
1994, Joint Service Achievement Medal
1987-2015, Army Achievement Medal (6)
1994, Presidential Service Badge
2012, Army Staff Badge
2003, Combat Action Badge
2014, Combined Arms Support Command General Brehon B. Somervell Medal of Excellence
2003, National Defense Industrial Association Award
1998, Forces Command Major General Aubrey "Red" Newman Award
2003, U.S. Army Warrant Officer Association Leadership Award
2014, Distinguished Member of the Quartermaster Regiment
2019, Inducted into the Army Acquisition Corps

(Current as of July 2025)