



Biography

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Joel L. Lockhart Director of Logistics



Joel L. Lockhart is the director of Logistics for the Defense Commissary Agency, headquartered at Fort Lee, Virginia, a position he has held since March 12, 2023.

As the agency's Logistics director, Mr. Lockhart oversees the operations and business processes of 8 overseas Central Distribution Centers (CDC), the Central Meat Processing Plant (CMPP) in Europe, management and accountability for operational equipment and supplies, and the agency's distribution and transportation operations supporting nearly 240 commissaries in 13 countries, and 780 dedicated employees.

Mr. Lockhart has more than 33 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

2023 - Present, Director of Logistics, DeCA Headquarters, Fort Lee, Virginia (known as Fort Gregg-Adams from April 27, 2023, to July 2025)

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

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)