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PROGRAM EXECUTIVE OFFICE COMMAND, CONTROL, COMMUNICATIONS, AND NETWORK

## **Mr. Mark C. Kitz**

### ***Program Executive Officer***

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As the Program Executive Officer for Command, Control, Communications, and Network (PEO C3N), formerly known as PEO C3T, Mr. Mark C. Kitz guides a workforce of more than 1,600 personnel who acquire, field and support the communications networks, radios, satellite systems and other hardware and software Soldiers require for information dominance on the battlefield. Mr. Kitz took command of PEO C3N in June 2023. Early in his tenure, he led the organization through a restructuring, merging the enterprise and tactical network efforts under a single portfolio (then PEO C3T) as part of the Army's network modernization strategy. In October 2024, the PEO was officially redesignated as PEO C3N, reflecting the organization's holistic approach to delivering a unified network.



Before coming to PEO C3N, Mr. Kitz served as the Program Executive Officer (PEO) for Intelligence, Electronic Warfare and Sensors (IEW&S). He provided 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.

Mr. Kitz also served as the Deputy PEO for IEW&S from June 2019 to May 2021, and the Director for Acquisition and Engineering from 2015 to 2019. He was responsible for acquisition management oversight, engineering and integration, cost management, program performance metrics, and earned value management across the 49 ACAT I, II, III, and 58 Quick Reaction Capabilities. As the technical authority for the PEO, Mr. Kitz oversaw design engineering and development activities involving 22 programs under the Engineering, Manufacturing, and Development (EMD) phase, the process of the budgetary planning and priorities for an annual \$3 billion budget. He managed one of the Army's largest information technology cybersecurity portfolios involving 93 national security and intelligence systems in both development and sustainment. During this time, Mr. Kitz also served as the Acting Deputy PEO for IEW&S.

Prior assignments include serving as the Technical Director for Project Manager Distributed Common Ground Systems-Army (PM DCGS-A), where Mr. Kitz directed the engineering development activities for programs in the EMD acquisition phase, oversaw the design, development, and contract execution, collaborated with the Intelligence Community and Joint Service PM DCGS-A programs for strategic alignment and unique requirements, and was responsible for the strategic planning of an annual \$400M budget. Before PM DCGS-A, Mr. Kitz had multiple assignments as an Engineer and Scientist with the Intelligence Information Warfare Directorate of the Communication Electronics Research and Development Command, including Chief Engineer and Project Lead for TROJAN, as well as Director for the Intelligence Processing laboratory. Mr. Kitz also served as Research Engineer for Defense Science and Technology in Edinburgh, Armed Forces Overseas Australia, where he launched collaborative research between the Army and Australian laboratories in the intelligence and electronic warfare domains.

He was awarded the Superior Civilian Service Award for C4ISR Top Ten Employee of the Year for 2017. He also received Commander's Awards for Civilian Service in October 2018, November 2013, and February 2009; Army Superior Unit Awards in July 2017, November 2009, and December 2000; Superior Civilian Service Award in April 2015; Achievement Medal for Civilian Service in May 2015; and Certificate of Achievement in December 2001.

Mr. Kitz earned a Master's Degree from the New Jersey Institute of Technology and a Bachelor's from Lafayette College. He and his wife Erika are the proud parents of three young boys. Mark and Erika were raised in New Jersey by families steeped in the tradition of public service, with parents serving as policemen and public school teachers. He is an avid runner and triathlete.