



# BIOGRAPHY

## UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

### COLONEL JASON L. KNOBBE

Colonel Jason L. Knobbe is the Vice Wing Commander, 184th Wing, Kansas Air National Guard, McConnell Air Force Base, Kansas. He assists the commander in leading, managing, and developing over 1,300 Guardsmen who execute a broad spectrum of missions including intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance; cyberspace operations; and command and control, all of which greatly enhance the U.S. Air Force's capability to provide actionable intelligence and cyberspace operations for combat forces around the globe.

Colonel Knobbe is a 1994 graduate of the University of Kansas. He went on to earn a Master's of Science, Education and a Reserve Officer Training Corps commission from the University of Kansas in 1998. Prior to his current assignment, he served as the Commander of the 184th Missions Support Group, the Commander of the 177th Information Aggressor Squadron, a National Security Agency Certified Cyber and Information Operations Red Team. He also served as the Deputy Group Commander for the 184th Regional Support Group, at the time, the second largest group in the Air National Guard. Colonel Knobbe is a Cyberspace Operations Officer, Aircraft Commander, and a Weapons Systems Operator whose assignments span all three career fields. Throughout his career, Colonel Knobbe has supported several deployments in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom.



#### EDUCATION

- 1994 Bachelor of Science, Education, The University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kan.
- 1998 Masters of Science, Education, The University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kan.
- 2006 Squadron Officer School
- 2006 KC-135 Aircraft Commander Training, McConnell Air Force Base, Kan.
- 2008 Air Command and Staff College
- 2009 Cyber X Course
- 2012 Air War College
- 2013 ANG Commanders' Development Course, Joint Base Andrews, Md.
- 2015 Reserve Component National Security Course, National Defense University, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 2018 Joint and Combined Warfighter School, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Vir.

#### ASSIGNMENTS

1. September 1998 - October 1999, Student, Undergraduate Navigator Training, Naval Air Station Pensacola, Fla.
2. October 1999 - March 2000, Student, Electronic Warfare Officer Training, Randolph Air Force Base (AFB), Texas
3. March 2000 - October 2000, Student, Weapons Systems Officer, 28th Bomb Squadron, Dyess AFB, Texas
4. October 2000 - July 2002, Weapons Systems Officer, 127th Bomb Squadron, McConnell AFB, Kan.
5. July 2002 - August 2003, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Vance AFB, Okla.
6. August 2003 - June 2006, Deputy Chief of Tactics, 127th Air Refueling Squadron, McConnell AFB, Kan.
7. June 2006 - July 2007, Chief of Scheduling, 127th Air Refueling Squadron, McConnell AFB, Kan.

8. July 2007 - November 2008, Influence Operations Team Chief, 177th Information Aggressor Squadron, McConnell AFB, Kan.
9. November 2008 - February 2011, Network Warfare Operations Flight Commander, 177th Information Aggressor Squadron, McConnell AFB, Kan.
10. February 2011 - July 2011, Assistant Director of Operations, 177th Information Aggressor Squadron, McConnell AFB, Kan.
11. July 2011 - October 2014, Commander, 177th Information Aggressor Squadron, McConnell AFB, Kan.
12. October 2014 - September 2015, Deputy Commander, 184th Regional Support Group, McConnell AFB, Kan.
13. October 2015 – May 2018, Commander, 184th Mission Support Group, McConnell AFB, Kan.
14. May 2018 – present, Vice Wing Commander, 184th Wing, McConnell AFB, Kan.

#### **FLIGHT INFORMATION**

Rating: Pilot

Flight hours: more than 2,500

Aircraft flown: T-34, T-39, T-1, T-37, B-1B, and KC-135 R/T

#### **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Legion of Merit

Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

#### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS**

National Guard Association of the United States

#### **OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS**

Distinguished Graduate Navigator Training

Distinguished Graduate Pilot Training

Distinguished Graduate Basic Communications Officer Training

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant April 29, 1998

First Lieutenant April 29, 2000

Captain April 29, 2002

Major June 2, 2006

Lieutenant Colonel June 10, 2010

Colonel January 2016

(Current as of July 2019)