

Biography



HOWARD J. "MITCH" MITCHELL
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Howard J. "Mitch" Mitchell is the Vice President of Program Assessments. In this role, he is responsible to provide independent assessments of space programs in support of major milestone decisions and to maintain the PEO space watchlist of technical issues affecting SMC programs.

Mitchell's most recent position was the Associate General Manager of Program Assessments.

Before joining Aerospace in 2010, Mitchell worked at Booz Allen Hamilton in Washington, D.C., where he was responsible for business development, contracts, and business strategy in support of the National Reconnaissance Office's Communications and Office of Space Launch directorates. Prior to that, he held senior leadership positions at NYTOR, Inc., and Arrowhead Global Solutions. He retired from the Air Force in 2003 with the rank of Major General after 30 years of service. His final assignment was as the U. S. Central Command liaison to the Pakistani military and the Director of the Office of Defense Representative to Pakistan.

Other notable Air Force positions included Program Director Small ICBM Program, Program Director Air Force Ballistic Missile Defense Program, National Reconnaissance Office Director of Communications and the Office of Space Launch, Director of the National Security Space Architect's Office, Liaison to the 2001 Rumsfeld Commission on Space Management, and Director of Operations, HQ Air Force Space Command.

Educational background

Mitchell earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the United States Air Force Academy. He also holds four master's degrees, in national security strategies, international relations, business administration, and mechanical engineering from the Naval War College, Salve Regina College, the University of North Dakota, and the University of Michigan, respectively.

Affiliations

Past President of the National Defense Industrial Association's Space Division, Lifetime Member of the Air Force Academy Association of Graduates, Air Force Association, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the American Legion

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