



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

DEREK B. SANTOS

Derek B. Santos is a member of the Senior Executive Service and serves as the Deputy General Counsel (Contractor Responsibility and Conflict Resolution) of the U.S. Department of the Air Force at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. In this role, he provides oversight, guidance and direction for legal programs in acquisition integrity and procurement fraud remedies, and promotes negotiation and dispute resolution skills across the Air Force. He is also the Air Force Suspension and Debarment Official, with responsibility for evaluating corporate ethics and compliance programs and the business integrity of contractors and grantees.



Prior to his appointment as Air Force Deputy General Counsel, Mr. Santos served as Assistant Deputy General Counsel and as Associate General Counsel. His portfolio included major weapon systems acquisitions, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance systems, and cyberwarfare and cyberspace acquisitions. Before joining the Air Force General Counsel's Office, he was the senior managing counsel at the Army Transatlantic Programs Center, leading the delivery of legal services for Army construction, engineering and foreign assistance missions in the Middle East and Central Asia. Prior to that position, he served on multiple civilian deployments as Army legal counsel in Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom (Baghdad, Iraq and Kabul, Afghanistan).

EDUCATION

2001 B.A., Williams College
2004 J.D., University of Pennsylvania

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Army Superior Civilian Service Awards (2)
Air Force Exemplary Civilian Service Award
Army Commander's Award for Civilian Service
Army Achievement Medal for Civilian Service

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Bar Association, Public Contract Law Section

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