

BIOGRAPHY

Robert F. Lentz

Mr. Lentz is the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Information and Identity Assurance (I&IA) in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Networks and Information Integration/Chief Information Officer. He is the Chief Information Assurance Officer (CIAO) for the Department of Defense (DoD) and oversees the Defense-wide IA Program, which plans, monitors, coordinates, and integrates IA activities across DoD.



Mr. Lentz is also the Chairman of the National Space INFOSEC Steering Council (NSISC), a member of the Presidential Sub-Committee on National Security Systems (CNSS), the Manager of the DoD IA Steering Council, and the IA Domain Owner of the Global Information Grid Enterprise Information Management Mission Area. In his capacity of IA Domain Owner, Mr. Lentz is a member of the DoD CIO Executive Council. He also reports to the Deputy Undersecretary for Security and Counter-Intelligence and is a member of the Information Operations (IO) Steering Council. Mr. Lentz represents DoD on several private sector boards, including the Center for Internet Security (CIS) Strategic Advisory Council, the Common Vulnerabilities & Exposures (CVE) Senior Advisory Council, and the Federal Electronic Commerce Coalition (FECC).

Mr. Lentz has over 26 years of experience with the National Security Agency (NSA) in the areas of financial management and technical program management. He has served as Chief of the Space and Networks IA Office, Chief Financial Officer of the NSA IA Directorate, Executive Assistant to the NSA SIGINT Collections and Operations Group and Field Chief of the Finksburg National Public Key Infrastructure/Key Management Infrastructure Operations Center. He has also served on several strategic planning and acquisition reform panels.

Mr. Lentz has received the NSA Resource Manager of the Year Award, the Defense Meritorious Service Award, 2006 “Top 20” Excellence.gov Award, the 2003 Presidential Rank Award and the 2004 “Federal 100” award. In 2004, Mr. Lentz also received the highest-level honorary award the Department can bestow on a civilian employee, the prestigious Secretary of Defense Distinguished Civilian Service Award.

Mr. Lentz is a graduate of the National Senior Cryptologic Course at the National Cryptologic School, Federal Executive Institute (FEI) and the Resource Management Course at the Naval Postgraduate School. He earned a Bachelor of Science Degree with a double major in History and Political Science from Saint Mary's College of Maryland and a Masters Degree in National Security Strategy from the National War College. While attending the National War College in 1999, Mr. Lentz's primary focus was on Homeland Security.