

Major General RICHARD L. ZELLMANN, U.S. Army
Deputy Combined Joint Force Space Component Commander

United States Space Command
Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado 80912
Since: December, 2023



MAJOR GENERAL (MG) RICHARD L. ZELLMANN is originally from Belle Plaine, MN, and was commissioned into the Ordnance Corps after graduation from the United States Military Academy in 1992. After completion of the Ordnance Corps Basic Course, the Explosive Ordnance Disposal Course, and the Technical Escort Course, MG Zellmann began six years of service in the EOD career field. After completing company command time, MG Zellmann attended the University of Minnesota prior to serving in the United States Military Academy's Department of Physics and Nuclear Engineering where he was an instructor and assistant professor. MG Zellmann attended the Space Operations Officer Qualification Course, and since 2004 has served in operational space assignments. As a space operations officer, MG

Zellmann commanded at the company, battalion, and brigade-level. He has had several tours at the Army Service Component Command level: Army Central and Space and Missile Defense Command. Following brigade command MG Zellmann served as the Joint Force Space Component Command Future Operations Chief and worked on the establishment of U.S. Space Command. Following the establishment of U.S. Space Command, MG served first as the Deputy J5 and then later at the Deputy J3 before starting his current assignment as the Deputy Commander of the Combined Joint Force Space Component. His deployments include a deployment to Operation Iraqi Freedom with a space company and two rotations to the ARCENT operational command post.

MG Zellmann earned a bachelor's and master's degree in physics from the United States Military Academy and the University of Minnesota, respectively. His military professional education includes the Ordnance Officer Basic Course, the Combined Logistics Officer Advanced Course, CAS3, Command and General Staff College, and the Air War College. MG Zellmann's space education includes the Space Operations Officer Qualification Course, Space 300, Advanced Orbital Mechanics, Advanced Navigation Operations, EMI Fundamentals and the Ground-based Midcourse Defense Staff Course.

MG Zellmann's awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, and the Defense Meritorious Service Medal. He has also earned the Army Senior Explosive Ordnance Disposal Badge, Parachutists Badge, and the Master Space Badge. MG Zellmann is married, and he and his wife have two children.

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SOURCE OF COMMISSIONED SERVICE

- United States Military Academy

EDUCATIONAL DEGREES

- United States Military Academy – BS – Engineering Physics
- University of Minnesota – MS – Physics
- Air University – MS – Strategic Studies

MILITARY SCHOOLS ATTENDED

- Ordnance Officer Basic Course
- Combined Logistics Officer Advanced Course
- United States Army Command and General Staff College
- Air War College

FOREIGN LANGUAGE(S)

- None Recorded

PROMOTIONS

- 2LT
- 1LT
- CPT
- MAJ
- LTC
- COL
- BG
- MG

DATE OF APPOINTMENT

30 May 92
30 May 94
1 Jun 96
1 Mar 03
1 Mar 09
1 Jun 14
2 Aug 20
5 Dec 23

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>
Dec 23	Present	Deputy Combined Joint Force Space Feb 21 Component Commander, United States Space Command, Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado
Feb 21	Dec 23	Deputy Director, J-3, United States Space Command, Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado
Aug 19	Feb 21	Deputy Director, J-5, United States Space Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado
Jul 18	Aug 19	Director of Operations, Joint Functional Component Command for Space, United States Strategic Command, Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado

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FROM	TO	ASSIGNMENT
Jun 16	May 18	Commander, 1st Space Brigade, United States Army Space and Missile Defense Command, United States Army Strategic Command, Fort Carson, Colorado
May 14	Jun 06	Chief, Training, Readiness, and Exercises, United States Army Space and Missile Defense Command, United States Army Forces Strategic Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado
May 13	May 14	Commander, 1st Space Battalion, United States Army Space and Missile Defense Command, United States Army Strategic Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado
May 12	May 13	Chief, Certifications and Evaluations Branch, United States Army Space and Missile Defense Command, United States Army Forces Strategic Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado
May 11	May 12	Operations Officer, 1st Space Brigade, United States Army Space and Missile Defense Command, United States Army Strategic Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado
Jul 08	May 11	Senior Space Operations Officer, United States Army Central, Fort McPherson, Georgia and OPERATIONS IRAQI and ENDURING FREEDOM
Nov 07	Jul 08	Student, Lockheed Martin Information System and Global Services, Deer Creek Facility, Littleton, Colorado
May 06	Nov 07	Executive Officer, later Operations Officer, 1st Space Battalion, 1st Space Brigade, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado and OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq
Jun 04	May 06	Army Space Support Leader, later Commander, 2d Space Company, 1st Space Battalion, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado
May 01	Jun 04	Instructor, later Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York
May 99	May 01	Student, University of Minnesota, Minnesota
Feb 98	May 99	Commander, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Detachment, 1st Support Battalion, Multinational Force and Observers, Sinai Desert, Egypt
May 97	Feb 98	Student, Combined Logistics Officer Advanced Course, United States Army Logistics Management College, Fort Lee, Virginia
Sep 94	May 97	Explosives Ordnance Disposal Platoon Leader, later Detachment Commander, United States Army Technical Escort Unit, Army Materiel Command, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland
Aug 93	Sep 94	Operations Officer, United States Army Technical Escort Unit, Army Materiel Command, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland

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SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS	DATE	GRADE
Deputy Combined Joint Force Space Component Commander, United States Space Command, Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado	Jan 24 - Present	Major General
Deputy Director, J-5, United States Space Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado	Aug 19 – Feb 21	Colonel/ Brig. General
Director of Operations, Joint Functional Component Command for Space, United States Strategic Command, Shriever Air Force Base, Colorado	Jul 18 - Aug 19	Colonel

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS	DATE	GRADE
Operations Officer, 1st Space Brigade, United States Army Space and Missile Defense Command, United States Army Strategic Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado	May 11 - May 12	Lieutenant Colonel
Senior Space Operations Officer, United States Army Central, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq	Oct 08 - Jan 09	Major/Lieutenant Colonel
Senior Space Operations Officer, United States Army Central, OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, Afghanistan	Mar 10 - Oct 10	Major/Lieutenant Colonel
Executive Officer, later Operations Officer, 1st Space Battalion, 1 st Space Brigade, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Iraq	May 06 - Jun 07	Major
Commander, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Detachment, 1st Support Battalion, Multinational Force and Observers, Sinai Desert, Egypt	Feb 98 - May 99	Captain

US DECORATIONS AND BADGES

- Defense Superior Service Medal
- Legion of Merit
- Bronze Star Medal
- Defense Meritorious Service Medal
- Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)
- Joint Service Commendation Medal
- Army Commendation Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)
- Army Achievement Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)
- Parachutist Badge
- Master Air Force Space and Missile Badge Senior Explosive
- Ordnance Disposal Badge Senior Air Force Space Badge

As of 10 Apr 25